



*State of Louisiana*  
*Gaming Control Board*

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GOVERNOR

RONNIE JONES  
CHAIRMAN

**IN RE: GOLDEN NUGGET LAKE CHARLES, LLC**  
**LICENSE NO.: R016502995 SAR#15-2-43-091-2811**

**ORDER**

This matter was considered by the Louisiana Gaming Control Board at its meeting of March 14, 2016. The Hearing Officer's order dated March 8, 2016, based on the "Joint Motion for Approval of Compromise and Settlement Agreement" in the matter of the "Notice of Violation and Penalty", by and between Golden Nugget Lake Charles, License No. R016502995, SAR 15-2-43-091-2811, and the State of Louisiana, Department of Public Safety and Corrections, Office of State Police, which is attached hereto and incorporated herein, is **APPROVED**.

**THUS DONE AND SIGNED** on this the *14<sup>th</sup>* day of *March, 2016*.

**LOUISIANA GAMING CONTROL BOARD**

BY:

  
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**RONNIE JONES, CHAIRMAN**

**LOUISIANA GAMING CONTROL BOARD**

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT A CERTIFIED  
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ALL PARTIES THIS 14<sup>th</sup> DAY

OF March, 2016

  
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RE: GOLDEN NUGGET LAKE CHARLES, L.L.C. SAR # 15-2-43-091-2811

**JOINT MOTION FOR APPROVAL OF COMPROMISE AND  
SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT**

**TO THE HONORABLE ADMINISTRATIVE HEARING OFFICER:**

NOW COME the State of Louisiana, Department of Public Safety and Corrections, Office of State Police (hereinafter, the "Division") and Golden Nugget Lake Charles, L.L.C. (hereinafter "Golden Nugget"), who file this Joint Motion for Approval of Compromise and Settlement Agreement, and in support thereof would respectively show unto the Hearing Officer as follows:

1.

The Division and Golden Nugget are desirous of compromising and settling all disputes between them relative to the referenced administrative proceeding. In connection therewith, the parties have entered into a compromise and settlement agreement, which by its terms will become effective upon approval by the Administrative Hearing Office and the Louisiana Gaming Control Board.

2.

A true and correct copy of the proposed Compromise and Settlement Agreement is attached hereto as Exhibit "A" and incorporated by reference for all purposes.

TRUE COPY  
Representative  
Louisiana Gaming Control Board

**WHEREFORE, PREMISES CONSIDERED,** the Division and Golden Nugget respectfully request that this Honorable Administrative Hearing Officer approve the parties' Compromise and Settlement Agreement.

Respectfully Submitted,

**GOLDEN NUGGET LAKE CHARLES, L.L.C.**

By: 

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**EXHIBIT "A"**

**STATE OF LOUISIANA  
LOUISIANA GAMING CONTROL BOARD  
ADMINISTRATIVE HEARING OFFICE**

**RE: GOLDEN NUGGET LAKE CHARLES, L.L.C. SAR # 15-2-43-091-2811**

**COMPROMISE AND SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT**

The State of Louisiana, Department of Public Safety and Corrections, Office of State Police (hereinafter, the "Division") and Golden Nugget Lake Charles, L.L.C. (hereinafter "Golden Nugget") do hereby represent and agree as follows:

**WHEREAS**, the Division has issued a Notice of Violation, Written Warning, and Penalty (hereinafter, the "Notice") to Golden Nugget alleging certain violations of Louisiana Gaming Control Law; and

**WHEREAS**, the issues raised by the Notice are set for hearing before the Louisiana Gaming Control Board Administrative Hearing Office; and

**WHEREAS**, the Division and Golden Nugget are desirous of fully and finally compromising and settling all issues and disputes arising out of and in connection with the Notice:

**NOW, THEREFORE**, in consideration of the foregoing, the parties hereto do hereby agree and stipulate as follows:

**STIPULATIONS**

1. The Louisiana Integrated Gaming History Tracking System ("LIGHTS") and the General Ledger are audited on a quarterly basis by the Division. The first LIGHTS/General

Ledger audit was performed on February 23, 2015, to reconcile December 2014. The December review identified a negative variance of \$12,063.65 between LIGHTS and the General Ledger. As a result of this audit, Golden Nugget was issued a written warning for a Category 1 violation on March 6, 2015 (SAR 15-2-43-046-1091).

2. The LIGHTS/General Ledger audit for the 1st quarter of 2015, which included January, February and March, on May 12, 2015, revealed a negative variance of \$97,744.65 for January, a variance of \$7,533.52 for February and a variance of \$65,885.74 for March. These variances resulted from the implementation of an incorrect report and have been resolved.

3. Golden Nugget's General Ledger/Gaming Revenue Summary Reconciliations for December 2014 through March 2015, contained unexplained slot variances.

4. Golden Nugget failed to investigate and determine the cause of the December 2014 variance and the resulting inaccurate records were held in violation of gaming law.

5. The Division identified the source of the variances and provided instructions to Golden Nugget on how to adjust the General Ledger to prevent future variances.

#### **TERMS AND CONDITIONS**

1. In lieu of Administrative Action of its Gaming License, Golden Nugget will pay a civil penalty of FOURTEEN THOUSAND AND NO/100 (\$14,000) DOLLARS.

2. The Division hereby agrees to accept Golden Nugget's payment of the above stated civil penalty in full and final settlement of the Notice of Violation, Written Warning, and Penalty.

3. The Division reserves the right to take into consideration these admitted violations in connection with any future investigation, violation or assessment of penalty and in connection with any future assessments of Golden Nugget's suitability.

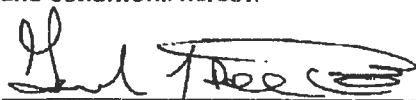
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4. The terms of this Compromise and Settlement Agreement shall be interpreted under the laws of the State of Louisiana.

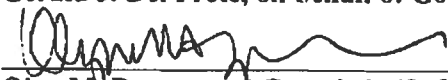
5. This Compromise and Settlement Agreement constitutes the entire agreement between the Division and Golden Nugget, pertaining to the subject matter contained herein and supersedes all prior and contemporaneous agreements, representations and understandings of the parties.

6. This Compromise and Settlement Agreement is subject to approval by the Hearing Officer and the Louisiana Gaming Control Board. It is expressly understood that if this proposed settlement is approved by the Hearing Officer, this agreement is not thereby executory, but will be submitted to the Louisiana Gaming Control Board for its determination as to whether to approve same or to remand the matter to the Hearing Officer for a full hearing on the merits. Failure to pay the penalty within fifteen (15) days of approval of this settlement by the Louisiana Gaming Control Board, and to comply with each term and condition listed herein, shall result in the immediate suspension of Golden Nugget's license without the necessity of further administrative action, until such time as the penalty is paid in full.

I have read this entire Compromise Settlement Agreement and agree to all stipulations and terms and conditions hereof.



**Gerald J. Del Prete, on behalf of Golden Nugget Lake Charles, L.L.C.**



**Olga M. Bogran, AAG, on behalf of  
State of Louisiana, Department of Public Safety &  
Corrections, Office of State Police**

STATE OF LOUISIANA  
LOUISIANA GAMING CONTROL BOARD  
ADMINISTRATIVE HEARING OFFICE

RE: GOLDEN NUGGET LAKE CHARLES, L.L.C.

SAR # 15-2-43-091-2811

ORDER

BE IT REMEMBERED that on the 8<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2016, came on for consideration the Joint Motion for Approval of Compromise and Settlement Agreement, and the parties having appeared by and through their respective attorneys of record, and the Hearing Officer having considered the pleadings on file, the proposed Settlement Agreement, and the said Motion, and it appearing to the Hearing Officer that the said Compromise and Settlement Agreement should be approved; it is, therefore,

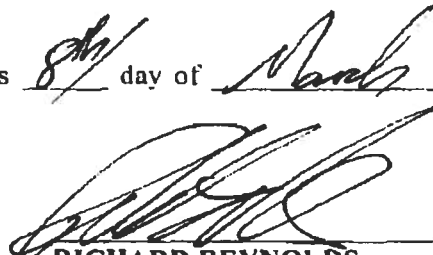
**ORDERED, ADJUDGED, AND DECREED** that the Compromise and Settlement Agreement attached to the parties' Joint Motion for Approval of Compromise and Settlement Agreement be, and the same is hereby, **APPROVED**; that Golden Nugget must pay Fourteen Thousand and No/100 (\$14,000.00) Dollars to the Division within fifteen (15) days of approval by the Louisiana Gaming Control Board. Failure to do so shall result in the immediate suspension of the gaming license without the necessity of any further administrative action until such time as the penalty is paid in full.

SIGNED AND ENTERED this 8<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2016, in Baton Rouge, Louisiana

LOUISIANA GAMING CONTROL BOARD  
HEARING OFFICE

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT A CERTIFIED COPY HAS BEEN MAILED OR SERVED ON ALL PARTIES THIS 8<sup>th</sup> DAY OF March

DOCKET CLERK, ADMIN. HEARING OFFICE



RICHARD REYNOLDS  
HEARING OFFICER

cc. Golden Nugget Lake Charles, L.L.C. / M. Ronald del Prete  
Olga Boyan  
Sgt. Lionell Sibley

A TRUE COPY ATTEST  
LOUISIANA GAMING CONTROL BOARD  
HEARING OFFICE  
Baton Rouge, LA 3/8/16  
DOCKET CLERK, ADMINISTRATIVE HEARING OFFICE