



State of Louisiana
Gaming Control Board

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CHAIRMAN

**DECISION OF THE
LOUISIANA GAMING CONTROL BOARD**

**IN RE: BILLIE SHEPARD, JR.
NO. P040046888**

ORDER

This matter having been considered by the Louisiana Gaming Control Board in open meeting of March 21, 2006:

IT IS ORDERED THAT the Hearing Officer's decision is **AFFIRMED**.

THUS DONE AND SIGNED on this the 21st day of March, 2006.

LOUISIANA GAMING CONTROL BOARD

BY:

H. Charles Gaudin
H. CHARLES GAUDIN, CHAIRMAN

LOUISIANA GAMING CONTROL BOARD
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**STATE OF LOUISIANA
GAMING CONTROL BOARD**

**ADMINISTRATIVE HEARING
JANUARY 18, 2006**

**HEARING OFFICER
JOSEPH E. ANZALONE, JR.**

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Representative
Louisiana Gaming Control Board

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APPEARANCES:

For the State of Louisiana:

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Assistant Attorney General
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Livingston Bldg. 5th Floor
Baton Rouge, LA 70802

Mr. Billie Shepard, Jr.
208 Texas Street
Sulphur, LA 70663
Absent

STATEMENT OF THE CASE:

The Louisiana State Police, Casino Gaming Division (“Division”) seeks to suspend the non-key gaming employee permit currently issued to Mr. Billie Shepard, Jr. alleging that Mr. Shepard is not current in the filing of all applicable tax returns or in the payment of all taxes owed the Internal Revenue Service.

The Division alleges that Mr. Shepard, by letter dated May 24, 2005, and received by him prior to May 31, 2005, was notified to either file all applicable tax returns; pay all taxes owed the Internal Revenue Service and submit the required tax clearance certificates to the Division. That communication allowed Mr. Shepard thirty days to submit proof that he was current in the payment of all federal taxes, or suffer suspension of his permit.

On December 20, 2005, Mr. Shepard received a notice of hearing date regarding the administrative hearing scheduled for January 18, 2006, as evidenced by the return receipt made part of this record.

The court found that Mr. Shepard’s absence was due to a personal preference and allowed counsel for the Division to proceed.

On January 16, 2006, Mr. Shepard obtained a tax clearance certificate from the Internal Revenue Service. The Division now prays the suspension be dismissed and that Mr. Shepard be assessed a civil penalty in the amount of \$250.00 for failure to provide the required tax clearance within the thirty day grace period allowed.

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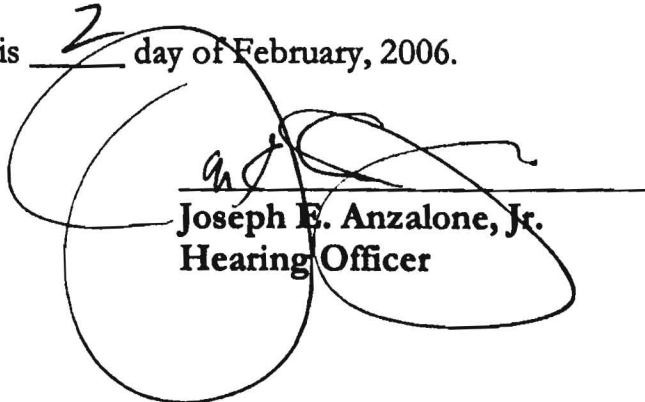
JUDGMENT

After a review of the pleadings and the evidence, and consideration of the argument of counsel:

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED, ADJUDGED, AND DECREED that the plea that Mr. Billie Shepard's non-key gaming employee permit be suspended is hereby **DISMISSED**.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, ADJUDGED AND DECREED that **Billie Shepard** pay a civil penalty in the amount of Two Hundred Fifty dollars (\$250.00). Failure to pay the penalty within thirty days of the effective date of this judgment shall result in suspension of the privileges related to his non-key gaming employee permit until such time as the penalty is paid in full.

Baton Rouge, Louisiana, this 2 day of February, 2006.



Joseph E. Anzalone, Jr.
Hearing Officer

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DOCKET CLERK, ADMINISTRATIVE HEARING OFFICE
cc: Billie Shepard, Jr.
Coak Holland
Tammy Longino

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