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STATE OF NEW JERSEY
DOCKET NO. 14-0085-EL

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STATE OF NEW JERSEY, DEPARTMENT)	
OF LAW AND PUBLIC SAFETY,)	
DIVISION OF GAMING ENFORCEMENT,)	
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Petitioner,)	Civil Action
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v.)	PETITION FOR
)	PLACEMENT ON
LATEEF SMITH,)	EXCLUSION LIST
)	
Respondent.)	
_____)	

Petitioner, State of New Jersey, Department of Law and Public Safety,
Division of Gaming Enforcement ("Division"), located at 1300 Atlantic Avenue, Atlantic City,
New Jersey, 08401 says:

1. Respondent, LATEEF SMITH ("Smith"), is a New Jersey resident, residing at [REDACTED].

2. N.J.A.C. 13:69G-1.3(a)3 authorizes the exclusion of

any person who has been convicted of a criminal offense.... punishable by more than six months in prison and whose presence in a licensed casino establishment would be inimical to the interests of the State of New Jersey and of license gaming therein.

3. N.J.A.C. 13:69G-1.3(a)4 authorizes the exclusion of

any person whose presence in a licensed casino establishment would be inimical to the interest of the State of New Jersey or licensed gaming therein, including

iii Persons who pose a threat to the safety of the patrons or employee sof a casino licensee

iv. Persons with a documented history of conduct involving the undue disruption of the gaming operations of casino licensees

4. On April 18, 2013, Smith was charged in Atlantic County Indictment No. 13-04-1155-DCP with Theft from the Person, third degree, contrary to N.J.S.A. 2C:20-3. Smith took a cell phone that belonged to a patron who was playing blackjack at Harrah's Atlantic City. On September 30, 2013, Smith was convicted of this offense. Smith was sentenced to 5 years probation and ordered to stay out of all Atlantic City casinos for the duration of his probation.

5. On July 16, 2013, Smith was charged in Atlantic County Accusation No. 13-06-01830-DCP with Theft from the Person, third degree, contrary to N.J.S.A. 2C:20-3. On January 3, 2013, Smith took a wallet containing \$300 cash and various credit cards from a patron of the Taj Majal Casino Hotel. On September 30, 2013, Smith was convicted of this offense. Smith was sentenced to 5 years probation and ordered to stay out of all Atlantic City casinos for the duration of his probation.

6. On June 20, 2013, Smith was charged in Atlantic County Accusation No. 13-06-1754-DCP with Theft from the Person, third degree, contrary to N.J.S.A. 2C:20-3. On May 15, 2013, Smith took \$49.00 from a patron walking across the gaming floor of Bally's Atlantic City. On September 30, 2013, Smith was convicted of this offense. Smith was sentenced to 5 years probation and ordered to stay out of all Atlantic City casinos for the duration of his probation.

7. Based on information contained in Paragraphs 1 through 6 of this Petition, Smith is a person who has been convicted of a criminal offense punishable by more than six months in prison and whose presence in a licensed casino establishment would be inimical to the interests of the State of New Jersey and of licensed gaming therein and should be excluded from casino premises pursuant to N.J.A.C. 13:69G-1.3(a)3.

8. Based on information contained in Paragraphs 1 through 6 of this Petition, Smith is a person whose presence in a licensed casino establishment would be inimical to the interests of the State of New Jersey or licensed gaming therein and should

be excluded from casino premises pursuant to N.J.A.C. 13:69G-1.3(a)4.

WHEREFORE, Petitioner demands the following relief against Respondent, Lateef Smith:

A. Judgment that Respondent, Lateef Smith, is a person who has been convicted of an offense punishable by more than 6 months in jail and whose presence in a licensed casino establishment would be inimical to the interest of the State of New Jersey or of licensed gaming therein, within the meaning of N.J.A.C.13:69G-1.3(a)3;

B. Judgment that Respondent, Lateef Smith, is a person whose presence in a licensed casino establishment would be inimical to the interest of the State of New Jersey or of licensed gaming therein, within the meaning of N.J.A.C. 13:69G-1.3(a)4;

C. Judgment entering a final order placing Respondent, Lateef Smith, on the exclusion list pursuant to N.J.S.A. 5:12-71 and N.J.A.C. 13:69G-1.3(a)3; 13:69G-1.3(a)4 and,

D. Judgment for such other and further relief as the Director may deem just and appropriate under the circumstances.

Respectfully submitted,

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