



1. Respondent, TRAVIS D. MERRITT ("Merritt"), is a New York 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 August 23, 2006, Merritt was charged in Atlantic County Indictment No. 06-08-1837-CCP with Possession of CDS (crack cocaine), third degree, contrary to N.J.S.A. 2C:35-10a(1). Merritt was smoking crack cocaine on the gaming floor of Trump Marina Hotel and Casino. On October 7, 2006, Merritt failed to appear in court, and a warrant was issued for his arrest. On March 8, 2013, upon his plea, Merritt was convicted of this offense and, in addition to fines and other penalties, sentenced to a 2 year term of

probation. He was also ordered to stay out of all Atlantic City casinos during his probation term.

5. Based on information contained in Paragraphs 1 through 4 of this Petition, Merritt 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.

6. Based on information contained in Paragraphs 1 through 4 of this Petition, Merritt 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, Travis D. Merritt:

A. Judgment that Respondent, Travis D. Merritt, 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;

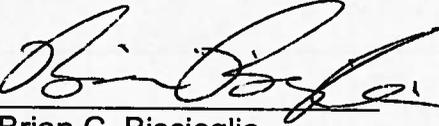
B. Judgment that Respondent, Travis D. Merritt, is a person whose presence in a licensed casino establishment would be inimical to the interest of the State of New Jersey or of licensed gaming therein, within the meaning of N.J.A.C. 13:69G-1.3(a)4;

C. Judgment entering a final order placing Respondent, Travis D. Merritt, 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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