



## State of New Jersey

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MINUTES - PUBLIC MEETING NO. 25-01-08  
January 8, 2025 - 10:30 a.m.

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New Jersey Casino Control Commission  
Joseph P. Lordi Public Meeting Room - First Floor  
Tennessee Avenue & Boardwalk  
Atlantic City, New Jersey

PRESIDING: Chairman James T. Plousis

PRESENT: Vice Chair Alisa B. Cooper and Commissioner Joyce Mollineaux

In furtherance of Governor Philip D. Murphy's Executive Order 103 (2020), the Casino Control Commission's meeting was held via remote technology. The public listened telephonically by calling the telephone number and access number provided on the Commission's website, and public comments were accepted via e-mail.

Subsequent to the reading of a statement of compliance with the notice requirements of the Open Public Meetings Act, the Commission considered and took formal action on the following matters:

1. By a vote of 3-0, ratified the minutes of December 11, 2024 (transcript pages 8-9).
2. By a vote of 3-0, Alisa Beth Cooper was elected Vice Chair of the Commission until the Reorganization Meeting in January 2026 (ruling number 25-01-08-02; transcript pages 9-10).

3. By a vote of 3-0, granted the initial applications of Jacob W. Crowell, Devon R. Fernandez, Michael J. Giddings, Jr. and Shaniqua A. Moore, for casino key employee licenses (transcript pages 11-12).
4. By a vote of 3-0, granted the resubmitted applications of Claudean V. Burke (*a/k/a* Claudean V. Sawkins), William R. Cestone, Robert H. Deissler, Michael A. Escourt, Timothy P. McDevitt, Jr., August Miklavcic, Jr., Joseph M. Norton, Ivy E. Paloff, Gilda A. Still and Gerry S. Suner (*a/k/a* German S. Suner), for casino key employee licenses. (Exhibit EL-1\*; transcript pages 12-13).
5. Temporary casino key employee licenses were issued between December 1, 2025 and December 25, 2024, pursuant to Delegation of Authority Resolution Number 22-01-12-11-B to the following applicants: Jeffrey A. Bartone, Dylan M. Beatty, Kyle J. Dodato, Spencer A. Lehr (*a/k/a* Spencer Hennessey; Spencer Dunn), Robert T. Leonhardt (*a/k/a* Bob Leonhardt), Fred Ereck L. Lorenzo, Debbie R. Martone (*a/k/a* Rajashree Moonsammy), Olivia A. Rosado and Erin M. White (*a/k/a* Erin McNamee) (Exhibit EL-3\*; transcript pages 13-16).
6. By a vote of 3-0, granted the requested relief and inactivated the casino key employee licenses held by Brittany C. Cartagena, Dane J. Gasperini, John P. Maravilla, Jonathan Yankovich and Charlotte M. Zappile. Adjourned the request of Richard D. Jones for inactivation of his casino key employee license (Ruling numbers 25-01-08-06-A, 25-01-08-06-B, 25-01-08-06-D, 25-01-08-06-E, 25-01-08-06-F; transcript pages 16-17).
7. By a vote of 2-0, found that Naomi D. Barnes (*a/k/a* Naomi Neumann; Naomi Jones), Michael J. Cranston, Ricky Q. Hoang, Tammy L. Sciullo (*a/k/a* Tammy L. Leso) and Thomas J. Winter casino key employee licenses lapsed, pursuant to N.J.A.C. 19:41A-6.1 (f) of the regulation. (Ruling numbers 25-01-08-07-A, 25-01-08-07-B, 25-01-08-07-C, 25-01-08-07-D, 25-01-08-07-E; transcript pages 17-19).
8. Considered the Initial Decision in the matter of the Appeal of M.G for Removal from the Division of Gaming Enforcement Self Exclusion List and issued the following ruling:  
  
By a vote of 3-0, adopted the Initial Decision of Hearing Examiner, Joyce Mollineaux, Commissioner, and found that Appellant failed to demonstrate that he did not intentionally place himself on the Division of Gaming Enforcement self-exclusion list, as required by N.J.A.C. 13:69G-2.2 (c ); and denied his request to be removed from the Division's self-exclusion list, prior to his February 21, 2025 expiration date (24-0051-AP) (Initial Decision) (Ruling number 24-01-08-08; transcript pages 19-22).

9. Considered the Initial Decision in the matter of the Appeal of E.D. for Removal from the Division of Gaming Enforcement Self Exclusion List and issued the following ruling:

By a vote of 3-0, adopted the Initial Decision of Hearing Examiner, Alisa B. Cooper, Vice Chairman, and found that Appellant failed to demonstrate that he did not intentionally place himself on the Division of Gaming Enforcement self-exclusion list, as required by N.J.A.C. 13:69G-2.2 (c ); and denied his request to be removed from the Division's self-exclusion list, prior to his February 17, 2025 expiration date (24-0047-AP) (Initial Decision) (Ruling number 25-01-08-09; transcript pages 22-32).

10. Considered the Initial Decision in the matter of the Appeal of K.T. for Removal from the Division of Gaming Enforcement Self Exclusion List and issued the following ruling:

By a vote of 3-0, adopted the Initial Decision of Hearing Examiner, Alisa B. Cooper, Vice Chairman, and found that Appellant failed to demonstrate that he did not intentionally place himself on the Division of Gaming Enforcement self-exclusion list, as required by N.J.A.C. 13:69G-2.2 (c ); and denied his request to be removed from the Division's self-exclusion list, prior to his April, 6, 2029 expiration date (24-0044-AP) (Initial Decision) (Ruling number 25-01-08-10; transcript pages 32-43).

11. By a vote of 3-0, remanded the initial application of James W. McGowan, Jr., for a casino key employee license and qualification to serve as Vice President of Security for Tropicana Atlantic City Corp (d/b/a Tropicana Atlantic City), to a hearing (PRN 0792401) (transcript pages 43-44).

12. Considered the petition of Marina District Development Company, LLC (d/b/a Borgata Hotel Casino & Spa), and issued the following ruling:

By a vote of 3-0, approved the petition and issued a temporary casino key employee license to Travis T. Truong, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 5:12-89b(4), N.J.S.A. 5:12-89e and N.J.A.C. 19:41A-5.3; and permitted Travis T. Truong to assume the duties and exercise the powers of Vice President Asian Marketing for Marina District Development Company, LLC (d/b/a Borgata Hotel Casino & Spa); pending plenary qualification; subject to the conditions contained in N.J.S.A. 5:12-85.1 and N.J.A.C. 13:69C-2.6. (PRN 3622402) (Ruling number 25-01-08-12; transcript pages 44-48).

13. Considered the petition of Boardwalk 1000, LLC (d/b/a Hard Rock Hotel & Casino Atlantic City) and HR Atlantic City, LLC and related Entities and issued the following ruling:

By a vote of 3-0, approved the petition and issued a plenary casino key employee license to Jeffrey Hook, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 5:12-89b and N.J.A.C. 41A-5.5:12, with a multi casino endorsement, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 5:12-91.1; and found Jeffrey Hook qualified to serve as Chief Operating Officer for HR Atlantic City, LLC, HR Atlantic City Investor, LLC, and HR Atlantic City Lender, LLC; Executive Vice President, Chief Operating Officer and Secretary for Seminole HR Holdings, LLC, SHRI, LLC and SHRE/SHRI, LLC; and Director of Hard Rock Tristate AC, LLC, in accordance with N.J.S.A. 5:12-85.1; N.J.A.C. 13:69C-2.6 and N.J.A.C. 13:69C-2.7. Further, granted the petitioners' request to waive the residency requirement, as provided for in N.J.S.A. 5:12-89(b) 4 (PRN 3622403) (Ruling Number 25-01-08-13; transcript pages 48-52).

In accordance with Resolution No. 24-12-11-03, the next closed session of the Commission shall be held on Wednesday, February 12, 2025 at 9:30 a.m. in the Commission Offices (transcript page 52).

There being no members of the public to address the Commission, the meeting adjourned at 11:16 a.m.

\*Lists of individuals acted upon at this meeting have been documented by exhibit number. Commission rulings are documented in orders or resolutions. These lists, rulings and official transcripts are available for public review at the Commission offices located at the corner of Tennessee Avenue and the Boardwalk, Atlantic City, New Jersey.

These minutes remain subject to amendment until such time as they are formally ratified by the New Jersey Casino Control Commission.

#### CERTIFICATION

I, Dianna W. Fauntleroy, Executive Secretary of the New Jersey Casino Control Commission, DO HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing Minutes of the Open Session conducted on January 8, 2025, are true and correct.

  
Dianna W. Fauntleroy, Esq.  
Executive Secretary