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DBPR Case No.: 2022-016928

# STATE OF FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONAL REGULATION DIVISION OF PARI-MUTUEL WAGERING

DEPARTMENT OF BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONAL REGULATION, DIVISION OF PARI-MUTUEL WAGERING,

Petitioner,
v.
RODERICK SHARAD SMITH,
Respondent.

#### FINAL ORDER

The Department of Business and Professional Regulation, Division of Pari-Mutuel Wagering ("Petitioner"), issues this Final Order against Roderick Sharad Smith, ("Respondent") as follows:

- 1. An Administrative Complaint was filed in this case on April 22, 2022, alleging that Respondent violated Sections 550.0251(6) and 551.112, Florida Statutes, and Rule 61D-11.005(4), Florida Administrative Code. A copy of the Administrative Complaint is attached hereto as Exhibit "1" and incorporated by reference.
- 2. The Administrative Complaint, Election of Rights form, an Explanation of Rights, and a cover letter were served on Respondent via certified U.S. mail on April 30, 2022. Proof of service is attached hereto as Exhibit "2" and incorporated by reference.
- 3. The Election of Rights form, Explanation of Rights, and cover letter informed Respondent that a written response to the Administrative Complaint, including the right to request a hearing, was due within 21 days of actual service of the Administrative Complaint. *See* Section 120.569(1), Florida Statutes, and Rule 28-106.111, Florida Administrative Code.

- 4. Petitioner informed Respondent that the failure to file a timely response to the Administrative Complaint shall be deemed a waiver of the right to a hearing.
- 5. Respondent has not filed a timely response to the Administrative Complaint. Respondent has not submitted any evidence or made any allegations that would support the application of the doctrine of equitable tolling.

Having considered the Administrative Complaint, the service of the Administrative Complaint with Election of Rights form, Explanation of Rights, and cover letter on Respondent along with Respondent's failure to respond, and being otherwise fully advised in the premises, it is hereby

#### ORDERED and ADJUDGED:

- 6. The allegations of fact and the conclusions of law in the Administrative Complaint are adopted in their entirety herein.
- 7. Respondent is hereby **PERMANENTLY EXCLUDED** from all pari-mutuel facilities within the State of Florida.
- 8. This Final Order is effective on the date it is filed with the Agency Clerk of the Department of Business and Professional Regulation, as indicated on the first page of this Order.

This Final Order in DBPR Case Number 2022-016928 is DONE and ORDERED this

 $3/_{\text{day of}}$  May , 2022

JOE DHAMORE, DIRECTOR

Division of Pari-Mutuel Wagering

Department of Business and Professional Regulation

2601 Blair Stone Road

Tallahassee, Florida 32399-1035

#### NOTICE OF RIGHT TO APPEAL

Any party to this proceeding has the right to seek its judicial review under Section 120.68, Florida Statutes, by the filing of an original notice of appeal pursuant to Rules 9.110 and 9.190, Florida Rules of Appellate Procedure, with the Agency Clerk, 2601 Blair Stone Road, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-2202 (Email: AGC.Filing@myfloridalicense.com), and by filing a copy of the notice of appeal accompanied by the applicable filing fees with the appropriate Florida district court of appeal. The notice of appeal must be filed (received) in the Office of the Agency Clerk within thirty (30) days after the date this Order is filed with the Clerk.

### **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I HEREBY CERTIFY that on this	day of	June	, 2022, a true	and
correct copy of this Final Order has been se	nt via U.S. Mai	l to:		

Roderick Sharad Smith 4430 Southwest 26th Street West Park, Florida 33023

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Department of Business and Professional Regulation

Brandon M. Nichols

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#### **ADMINISTRATIVE COMPLAINT**

The Department of Business and Professional Regulation, Division of Pari-Mutuel Wagering ("Petitioner"), files this Administrative Complaint against Roderick Sharad Smith ("Respondent"), and alleges:

- 1. Petitioner is the state agency charged with regulating pari-mutuel wagering, slot machines, and cardroom operations pursuant to Chapters 550, 551, and 849, Florida Statutes.
- 2. At all times material hereto, the Casino at Dania Beach was a facility operated by a permitholder authorized to conduct pari-mutuel wagering, slot machines, and cardroom operations in the State of Florida.
- 3. Respondent was employed by Card Tech to work as a Designated Player at the Casino at Dania Beach.
- 4. On or about April 4, 2022, during the course of his employment with Card Tech, Respondent engaged in the theft of various chips from the Casino at Dania Beach.
- 5. Following the discovery of the various incidents, Respondent was terminated from Card Tech.



6. On or about April 8, 2022, Respondent was permanently excluded from the Casino at Dania Beach.

#### COUNTI

- 7. Petitioner realleges and incorporates the allegations contained within paragraphs one through six as though fully set forth herein.
- 8. Rule 61D-11.005(4), Florida Administrative Code, provides, in pertinent part, that "[n]o person shall, either directly or indirectly (a) [e]mploy or attempt to employ any device, scheme, or artifice to defraud any participant in a game or the cardroom operator."
- 9. Based on the foregoing, Respondent violated Rule 61D-11.005(4), Florida Administrative Code, by employing a device, scheme, or artifice to defraud the cardroom operator.

#### **COUNT II**

- 10. Petitioner realleges and incorporates the allegations contained within paragraphs one through six as though fully set forth herein.
  - 11. Section 550.0251(6), Florida Statutes, provides in relevant part:

In addition to the power to exclude certain persons from any parimutuel facility in the state, the division may exclude any person from any and all pari-mutuel facilities in this state for conduct that would constitute, if the person were a licensee, a violation of this chapter or the rules of the division. The division may exclude from any pari-mutuel facility within this state any person who has been ejected from a pari-mutuel facility in this state or who has been excluded from any pari-mutuel facility in another state by the governmental department, agency, commission, or authority exercising regulatory jurisdiction over pari-mutuel facilities in such other state.

12. Section 551.112, Florida Statutes, provides:

In addition to the power to exclude certain persons from any facility of a slot machine licensee in this state, the division may

exclude any person from any facility of a slot machine licensee in this state for conduct that would constitute, if the person were a licensee, a violation of this chapter or the rules of the division. The division may exclude from any facility of a slot machine licensee any person who has been ejected from a facility of a slot machine licensee in this state or who has been excluded from any facility of a slot machine licensee or gaming facility in another state by the governmental department, agency, commission, or authority exercising regulatory jurisdiction over the gaming in such other state. This section does not abrogate the common law right of a slot machine licensee to exclude a patron absolutely in this state.

13. Based on the foregoing, Respondent violated Sections 550.0251(6) and 551.112, Florida Statutes, and Rule 61D-11.005(4), Florida Administrative Code, and is subject to exclusion from all licensed pari-mutuel wagering facilities and any facility of a slot machine licensee in the State of Florida based on his exclusion from the Casino at Dania Beach on April 8, 2022.

WHEREFORE, Petitioner respectfully requests the Division Director enter an Order excluding Respondent from all licensed pari-mutuel wagering facilities and any facility of a slot machine licensee in the State of Florida, along with any other remedy provided by Chapters 550 and 551, Florida Statutes, and/or the rules promulgated thereunder.

This Administrative Complaint for DBPR Case Number 2022-016928 is signed this 22nd day of April, 2022.

/s/Emily A. Leiva

Emily A. Leiva

Deputy Chief Attorney

Florida Bar Number: 1025200

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#### NOTICE OF RIGHTS TO REQUEST A HEARING

Pursuant to Sections 120.569 and 120.57, Florida Statutes, you have the right to request a hearing to challenge the charges contained in this Administrative Complaint. If you choose to request a hearing, you will have the right to be represented by counsel, or other qualified representative, to present evidence and argument, to call and cross-examine witnesses, and to have subpoenas and subpoenas duces tecum issued on your behalf.

Any request for an administrative proceeding to challenge or contest the charges contained in this Administrative Complaint must conform to Rule 28-106.2015, Florida Administrative Code. Pursuant to Rule 28-106.111, Florida Administrative Code, you must request a hearing within 21 days from receipt of this Notice, or you will waive your right to request a hearing.

Mediation under Section 120.573, Florida Statutes, is not available to resolve this Administrative Complaint.

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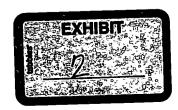
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