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3 BEFORE THE MISSOURI GAMING COMMISSION

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10 **TRANSCRIPT OF HEARING**  
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12 May 20, 2026

13 8:30 a.m.

14 Missouri Gaming Commission

15 3417 Knipp Drive

16 Jefferson City, Missouri  
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19 *KEVIN SPAULDING, Commissioner*

20 *ROGER STOTTLEMYRE, Commissioner*

21 *SAM K. GLADNEY, Commissioner*

22 *KEVIN CANTWELL, Commissioner*

23 *MIKE LEARA, Executive Director*  
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**P R O C E E D I N G S**

COMMISSIONER KEVIN SPAULDING: I'll call the meeting to order. Angie would you call the roll?

ANGIE FRANKS: Chairman Zimmerman?

Commissioner Spaulding?

COMMISSIONER SPAULDING: Present.

MS. FRANKS: Commissioner Stottlemeyer?

COMMISSIONER ROGER STOTTLEMYRE: Present

MS. FRANKS: Commissioner Gladney?

COMMISSIONER SAM GLADNEY: Present.

MS. FRANKS: Commissioner Cantwell?

COMMISSIONER KEVIN CANTWELL: Present.

COMMISSIONER SPAULDING: I move for the Adoption of the Agenda. Is there a second?

COMMISSIONER CANTWELL: Second.

COMMISSIONER SPAULDING: Angie, would you call the roll?

MS. FRANKS: Commissioner Spaulding?

COMMISSIONER SPAULDING: Approve.

MS. FRANKS: Commissioner Stottlemeyer?

COMMISSIONER STOTTLEMYRE: Approve.

MS. FRANKS: Commissioner Gladney?

COMMISSIONER GLADNEY: Approve.

MS. FRANKS: Commissioner Cantwell?

COMMISSIONER CANTWELL: Approve.

MS. FRANKS: By your vote, you've adopted the Agenda.

COMMISSIONER SPAULDING: I move to close the meeting under Sections 313.847, RSMo., Investigatory, Proprietary and Application Records and 610.021(1), RSMo., Legal Actions and Matters Subject to Attorney Client Privilege and Legal Work Product, (3) and (13) Personnel, (12) Contracts and (14) Records Protected from Disclosure by Law.

Is there a second?

COMMISSIONER GLADNEY: Second.

COMMISSIONER SPAULDING: Angie, would you call the roll?

MS. FRANKS: Commissioner Spaulding?

1 COMMISSIONER SPAULDING: Approve.

2 MS. FRANKS: Commissioner Stottlemeyre?

3 COMMISSIONER STOTTLEMYRE: Approve.

4 MS. FRANKS: Commissioner Gladney?

5 COMMISSIONER GLADNEY: Approve.

6 MS. FRANKS: Commissioner Cantwell?

7 COMMISSIONER CANTWELL: Approve.

8 MS. FRANKS: We are in closed session.

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10 COMMISSIONER SPAULDING: Good morning, everybody. Welcome to the  
11 May meeting of the Missouri Gaming Commission.

12 I'd like to start out just briefly with a couple of thank you's and a couple of  
13 little announcements. I think I want to start first of all with information about  
14 Captain Tourney's promotion. We're gonna certainly miss him at the  
15 Commission. Is he in attendance? There he is over there hiding. Congratulations  
16 and we certainly are gonna miss you. And I know after talking with you last night,  
17 you're gonna miss us as well, but the opportunity to spend time with family is very  
18 important.

19 So, you got anything you'd like to say?

20 CAPTAIN ANDY TOURNEY: I'd like to say thank you to MGC for being a  
21 great partner. It is an outstanding agency. I love the Highway Patrol, but MGC is  
22 right there with them. So, you've got great leadership for here and based on the 10  
23 years I've been here, it's the best it's ever been. It starts with the people here in this  
24 room, but it goes through every level of the agency.

25 So, thank you for friendship and your leadership and knowledge and because  
26 I don't know anything, you've taught me everything I know. Thank you for this.

27 COMMISSIONER SPAULDING: Thank you.

28 Next, I'd like to say thank you to the Century folks and again, some  
29 congratulations.

30 I know Lyle has a new promotion and that sounds really exciting and I think  
31 you're going to do a terrific job. I think that's exciting, which also opens up some  
32 new opportunities for Denny and some of you, some of the other leadership staff.  
33 So, we appreciate, always appreciate coming down here. You guys put on a terrific  
34 show for us. We learn a lot when we get to visit with you and see the operations. So,  
35 thank you and congratulations.

1 Angie, would you call the roll.  
2 MS. FRANKS: Chairman Zimmerman?  
3 Commissioner Spaulding?  
4 COMMISSIONER SPAULDING: Present.  
5 MS. FRANKS: Commissioner Stottlemire.  
6 COMMISSIONER STOTTLEMYRE: Present?  
7 MS. FRANKS: Commissioner Gladney?  
8 COMMISSIONER GLADNEY: Present.  
9 MS. FRANKS: Commissioner Cantwell?  
10 COMMISSIONER CANTWELL: Present.  
11 COMMISSIONER SPAULDING: All right. Sounds like a quorum. Let's get  
12 started.  
13 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR MIKE LEARA: We'll go with the Minutes first...  
14 COMMISSIONER SPAULDING: All right.  
15 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR LEARA: ...Commissioner from April 28<sup>th</sup> and 29<sup>th</sup>.  
16 COMMISSIONER SPAULDING: Ok.  
17 I'd like to move to approve the Minutes for the April 28th and 29th meeting.  
18 COMMISSIONER CANTWELL: Second.  
19 COMMISSIONER SPAULDING: Angie, would you call the roll?  
20 MS. FRANKS: Commissioner Spaulding?  
21 COMMISSIONER SPAULDING: Approve.  
22 MS. FRANKS: Commissioner Stottlemire?  
23 COMMISSIONER STOTTLEMYRE: Approve.  
24 MS. FRANKS: Commissioner Gladney?  
25 COMMISSIONER GLADNEY: Approve.  
26 MS. FRANKS: Commissioner Cantwell?  
27 COMMISSIONER CANTWELL: Approve.  
28 MS. FRANKS: By your vote, you've adopted the Minutes of the April 28 and  
29 29, 2026 meetings.  
30 COMMISSIONER SPAULDING: All right. Then I'd make a motion to  
31 approve the Agenda for today's meeting.  
32 Is there a second?  
33 COMMISSIONER STOTTLEMYRE: Second.  
34 COMMISSIONER SPAULDING: Angie?  
35 MS. FRANKS: Commissioner Spaulding?

1 COMMISSIONER SPAULDING: Approve.  
2 MS. FRANKS: Commissioner Stottlemire?  
3 COMMISSIONER STOTTLEMYRE: Approve.  
4 MS. FRANKS: Commissioner Gladney?  
5 COMMISSIONER GLADNEY: Approve.  
6 MS. FRANKS: Commissioner Cantwell?  
7 COMMISSIONER CANTWELL: Approve.  
8 MS. FRANKS: By your vote, you've adopted the Agenda.  
9 COMMISSIONER SPAULDING: Ok, looks like our next order of business is  
10 the Consideration of Relicensure of Key Persons, Resolution 26-031.  
11 Corporal, you have the floor.  
12 CORPORAL DOUG FESSENDEN: Good morning, Commissioners.  
13 Missouri State Highway Patrol investigators conducted background  
14 investigation updates on Key Person License Renewals.  
15 The investigations included an application review as well as civil, criminal  
16 and general character inquiries made in the jurisdictions where the applicants  
17 currently reside.  
18 The following renewals are being presented for your consideration:  
19 Chris Roger Burggraeve, Cartamundi NV, Outside Director  
20 Diana Fine Cantor, VICI Properties Inc., Director  
21 Anuj Dhanda, PENN Entertainment, Inc., Director  
22 Arisa Mallory Kozuki, Konami Group Corporation, Director  
23 Elizabeth Amanda Orola, BMM North America, Inc., Vice President of Global  
24 Service Delivery  
25 Ameet Lalitkumar Patel, Bally's Corporation, Senior Vice President &  
26 Regional General Manager West  
27 Aaron Bradley Rosenthal, PENN Entertainment, Inc., Senior Vice President  
28 of Regional Operations  
29 Arlene May Tansey, Aristocrat Leisure Limited, Non-Executive Director  
30 Donald Craig Wren, Affinity Interactive, Vice President and General  
31 Manager  
32 Investigative findings were provided to the Missouri Gaming Commission  
33 staff for their review, and I'd be glad to answer any questions you might have.  
34 Thank you.  
35 COMMISSIONER SPAULDING: Any questions?

1       Seeing none, Angie would you call the roll?

2       EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR LEARA: You should move for the approval.

3       COMMISSIONER SPAULDING: Sorry, move for approval.

4       COMMISSIONER GLADNEY: Second.

5       COMMISSIONER SPAULDING: Angie.

6       MS. FRANKS: Commissioner Spaulding?

7       COMMISSIONER SPAULDING: Approve.

8       MS. FRANKS: Commissioner Stottlemire?

9       COMMISSIONER STOTTLEMYRE: Approve.

10      MS. FRANKS: Commissioner Gladney?

11      COMMISSIONER GLADNEY: Approve.

12      MS. FRANKS: Commissioner Cantwell?

13      COMMISSIONER CANTWELL: Approve.

14      MS. FRANKS: By your vote, you've adopted Resolution No. 26-031.

15      COMMISSIONER SPAULDING: Thank you.

16      Looks like our next order of business is Consideration for Disciplinary Action,

17      DC-26-053. Mr. Venneman, you have the floor.

18      DEPUTY GENERAL COUNSEL TOM VENNEMAN: Thank you.

19      Good morning, Commissioners. Tom Venneman, Deputy General Counsel.

20      The proposed discipline arises from multiple manufacturer defects of card

21      decks sent to Central Casino Cape Girardeau in violation of 11 CSR 45-5.183 that's

22      directed at The United States Playing Card Company.

23      Missouri State Highway Patrol Sergeant Terry James conducted an

24      investigation of all card and dice discrepancy reports from October 28, 2025,

25      through January 31, 2026. In total, Sgt. James obtained 72 reports for cards that

26      did not meet requirements for play and were subsequently rejected. These reports

27      documented entire decks that were miscut and other times it appeared that a

28      pattern of certain cards or suits were the only items found to be outside required

29      specifications.

30      The Disciplinary Review Board recommended a \$10,000 fine in this matter.

31      In response to the proposed discipline, The United States Playing Card Company

32      reports that they have investigated the incident and corrective actions were

33      implemented promptly.

34      I'm happy to address any questions you may have at this time.

35      COMMISSIONER SPAULDING: Any questions? Ok. Thank you.

1 Seeing none, I move to approve DC-26-053.

2 COMMISSIONER SPAULDING: Angie, would you call the roll?

3 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR LEARA: Ask for a second.

4 COMMISSIONER SPAULDING: Is there a second?

5 COMMISSIONER GLADNEY: Second.

6 COMMISSIONER SPAULDING: Angie.

7 MS. FRANKS: Commissioner Spaulding?

8 COMMISSIONER SPAULDING: Approve.

9 MS. FRANKS: Commissioner Stottlemire?

10 COMMISSIONER STOTTLEMYRE: Approve.

11 MS. FRANKS: Commissioner Gladney?

12 COMMISSIONER GLADNEY: Approve.

13 MS. FRANKS: Commissioner Cantwell?

14 COMMISSIONER CANTWELL: Approve.

15 MS. FRANKS: By your vote, you've adopted DC-26-053.

16 COMMISSIONER SPAULDING: All right, now it looks like we have General  
17 Counsel Nikki Evans talk about a Consideration for Sports Wagering Settlement  
18 Agreement.

19 GENERAL COUNSEL NIKKI EVANS: Good morning, Commissioners.

20 Under Tab E, we have Consideration of Settlement for Sports Wagering  
21 Mobile Licensee Penn Sports Interactive, LLC or Penn.

22 The proposed disciplinary action arises as a result of Penn's acceptance of  
23 wagers on events outside of Missouri's approved catalog of wagering events.  
24 Missouri's catalog of approved events states that the NFL regular season award  
25 markets are permitted but any wagers must be placed prior to the start of the first  
26 game on the last day of the regular season. Any wagers after this deadline are not  
27 in the catalog of approved events and are therefore considered prohibited wagers.  
28 Based on the NFL schedule, the deadline was prior to 1:00 p.m. eastern time on  
29 January 4th, 2026.

30 On January 6th, 2026, Penn's compliance officer notified MGC that Penn had  
31 allowed wagering on the NFL Season award markets until 9:42 a.m. that morning,  
32 January 6th. Penn's notification indicated that the markets had initially been  
33 turned off, but a trade team member had inadvertently reactivated the markets,  
34 which allowed continued wagering past the deadline. On January 7th, 2026, Penn  
35 submitted a Compliance Incident Report which indicated that the markets had

1 never been turned off. The report indicated that the trading team did not follow  
2 established guidance from the compliance team regarding the deadlines for  
3 wagering on the award markets. The report provided a different explanation than  
4 what had initially been provided to the MGC. During the time period after the 1:00  
5 p.m. eastern deadline and until the markets were turned off, Penn accepted 14  
6 wagers for a total of \$13,102.02. On January 9th, 2026, all effective wagers were  
7 voided by Penn.

8 On January 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2026, MGC sent a Notice of Investigation to Penn. On  
9 February 5th, 2026, Penn acknowledged the Notice of Investigation, accepted  
10 responsibility for the errors and outlined additional safeguards to prevent such  
11 occurrences from happening in the future.

12 The Sports Wagering Discipline Review Board recommended a \$2500 fine in  
13 this matter. Penn has agreed to the proposed action and the signed settlement  
14 agreement was provided to the Commission for review and approval here today. I'm  
15 happy to answer any questions that you may have.

16 COMMISSIONER GLADNEY: I just wanted to highlight, it sounds like Penn  
17 noticed this discrepancy and brought to our attention.

18 GENERAL COUNSEL EVANS: Correct.

19 COMMISSIONER GLADNEY: I wanted to highlight the importance of a self-  
20 report, and it sounds like they were cooperative in this matter...

21 GENERAL COUNSEL EVANS: Yes.

22 COMMISSIONER GLADNEY: ...and of course that is the right thing to do  
23 there. So...

24 GENERAL COUNSEL EVANS: Yeah, it was notified. They notified us of the  
25 error and all communication with them was timely throughout this process.

26 COMMISSIONER GLADNEY: Yeah, I think it's important to emphasize  
27 that. So, thank you.

28 COMMISSIONER SPAULDING: Any other questions? Ok. Thank you.

29 Seeing none, I move to approve Resolution No. 26-032.

30 Do I have a second?

31 COMMISSIONER CANTWELL: Second.

32 COMMISSIONER SPAULDING: Angie.

33 MS. FRANKS: Commissioner Spaulding?

34 COMMISSIONER SPAULDING: Approve.

35 MS. FRANKS: Commissioner Stottlemire?



1 COMMISSIONER STOTTLEMYRE: Approve.

2 MS. FRANKS: Commissioner Gladney?

3 COMMISSIONER GLADNEY: Approve.

4 MS. FRANKS: Commissioner Cantwell?

5 COMMISSIONER CANTWELL: Approve.

6 MS. FRANKS: By your vote, you've adopted Resolution No. 26-032.

7 COMMISSIONER SPAULDING: Ok. Now we move the portion of the Agenda  
8 designated for public comments. Do we have any?

9 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR LEARA: There have been no requests.

10 COMMISSIONER SPAULDING: Thank you. Looks like it was short and  
11 sweet. We don't have anything else?

12 COMMISSIONER SPAULDING: We don't have anything else? Anybody have  
13 anything else? Ok.

14 Seeing none, we have now completed the items on the Agenda. I'd make a  
15 motion to adjourn the May 20<sup>th</sup>, 2026, meeting of the Missouri Gaming Commission.  
16 Is there a second?

17 COMMISSIONER GLADNEY: Second.

18 COMMISSIONER SPAULDING: Angie.

19 MS. FRANKS: Commissioner Spaulding?

20 COMMISSIONER SPAULDING: Approve.

21 MS. FRANKS: Commissioner Stottlemyre?

22 COMMISSIONER STOTTLEMYRE: Approve.

23 MS. FRANKS: Commissioner Gladney?

24 COMMISSIONER GLADNEY: Approve.

25 MS. FRANKS: Commissioner Cantwell?

26 COMMISSIONER CANTWELL: Approve.

27 MS. FRANKS: We are adjourned.

28 COMMISSIONER SPAULDING: Thank you.