

**OFFICE OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL**  
**MARYLAND STATE LOTTERY AND GAMING CONTROL AGENCY**

TO: Maryland Lottery and Gaming Control Commission  
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SUBJECT: Report for the November Commission Meeting

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This is a status update of ongoing and special projects in the Office of the Attorney General.

**I. Contracts, Human Resources, and Administrative**

**a. Key accomplishments last period:**

- i. Reviewed one contract for the Lottery's Communications Division for promotion of public affairs events.
- ii. Reviewed various employment issues and documents for the Human Resources Division.
- iii. Filed a lien against a retailer on behalf of the Lottery's AFO Division in the total amount of \$6,438.60.

**b. Upcoming tasks for this period:**

- i. Work with Staff as needed on implementing any new legislation that impacts the Agency, and in reviewing any legislative proposals for the 2018 Session of the General Assembly that may impact the Agency.
- ii. Assist Staff in responding to two Public Information Act requests from industry lobbyists for records pertaining to electronic instant bingo.

**c. Issues:**

- i. N/A

**II. Lottery**

**a. Key accomplishments last period:**

- i. Reviewed two requests from Creative Product Development relating to new Lottery scratch-off games.
- ii. Reviewed one Special Promotion from Creative Product Development.
- iii. Assisted Staff as needed in implementing the award of the Lottery central monitoring and control system contract.
- iv. Continued to assist Creative Services Division in developing and implementing the *My Lottery Rewards Program* by reviewing rules, licenses and other related documents for new promotions using MLR.
- v. Continued to work with Staff on issues associated with investigations of two retailers charged with conspiracy and bribery of Prince George's County Liquor Board officials. Both retailers' licenses are currently suspended.

- vi. Continued to work with Staff on review and revision of the Rules for the Mega Millions and Powerball games.
- vii. Assisted Staff as needed regarding the Lottery drawings RFP.
- viii. Worked with Staff on issues associated with the emergency suspension of a retailer located in Baltimore County for alleged illegal activity.

**b. Upcoming tasks for this period:**

- i. Continue to assist Staff as needed on implementation of the award of the Lottery central monitoring and control system contract.
- ii. Work with Staff on implementing a paperless application process.
- iii. Continue to work with Staff on issues associated with investigations of the two suspended Prince George's County retailers described above.
- iv. Continue to assist Staff as needed on issues associated with implementing the Lottery drawings contract.
- v. Continue to work with Staff on issues associated with the investigation of Baltimore County retailer described above.

**c. Issues:**

- i. N/A

**III. Gaming**

**a. Key accomplishments last period:**

- i. Continued to assist Staff on enforcement and licensing issues associated with casino operations.
- ii. Filed motion to dismiss a petition for judicial review in the Circuit Court for Prince George's County of the Commission's decision to deny his video lottery employee license. The individual's response is due December 6, and, if the court does not dismiss the case, a hearing is scheduled for January 5.

**b. Upcoming tasks for this period:**

- i. Continue to assist Staff on enforcement and licensing issues associated with casino operations.
- ii. Assist Staff with preparing the Agency's record for a petition for judicial review filed by an applicant for a video lottery employee license. The petition was filed in the Circuit Court for Anne Arundel County, and seeks judicial review of the June 30, 2017, Office of Administrative Hearings decision recommending the denial of the applicant's license application.
- iii. Assist Staff with responding to a sponsored gaming employee's request for a hearing on his recommended gaming employee license revocation.

**c. Issues:**

- i. N/A

**IV. Electronic Gaming Devices**

**a. Key accomplishments last period:**

- i. N/A

**b. Upcoming tasks for this period:**

- i. Provide any necessary advice to Staff concerning issues associated with the Commission's regulation of electronic gaming devices.

**V. Amusement Gaming Licenses**

**a. Key accomplishments last period:**

- i. Worked with Staff to prepare letters to a location that may have illegal or unregistered amusement devices in operation.

**b. Upcoming tasks for this period:**

- i. Provide any necessary advice to Staff concerning issues associated with the Commission's regulation of amusement gaming license regulations.
- ii. Assist Staff as needed on reviewing the Skill-Based Amusement Device Applications.
- iii. Work with Staff on issues associated with operators of electronic gaming devices that may not have fully registered devices in their establishments.