

IN THE MATTER OF THE  
MARYLAND LIVE! CASINO,  
Respondent.

\* BEFORE THE  
\* MARYLAND LOTTERY  
\* AND GAMING CONTROL  
\* COMMISSION  
\* Case Nos. 2017-03-087, -089, -091, -092,  
-094, -096, -098, -099, -100 and -103

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**CONSENT AGREEMENT**

Pursuant to the Annotated Code of Maryland, State Government Article (“SG”), §§ 9-1A-01, *et seq.* (“Gaming Law”), and Code of Maryland Regulations (“COMAR”) 36.03.04.06, the Maryland Lottery and Gaming Control Commission (“Commission”) and Maryland Live! Casino (“Maryland Live!”) desire to resolve this matter without a formal administrative hearing. Accordingly, the parties recite the following facts and make the following agreements:

**BACKGROUND**

The Commission, with the assistance of the Maryland Lottery and Gaming Control Agency (“MLGCA” or “Agency”), regulates the operation of the State’s video lottery terminals (“VLTs”) and table games, and is responsible for licensing qualified facility operators and ensuring that the operation of video lottery facilities, VLTs and table games is conducted legally. SG §§ 9-1A-02(b), 9-1A-04(b)(14).

If a licensee violates a provision of the Gaming Law, a regulation promulgated by the Commission, or a directive of the Commission or the Director of the MLGCA, the Commission is authorized to, after a hearing, take action against a licensee that may include suspension or revocation of a license, and levying a civil penalty for each violation. SG §§ 9-1A-04(a)(3) – (8), -25; Code of Maryland Regulations (“COMAR”) 36.03.04. The Commission may also take other

enforcement action, such as a corrective action plan, a reprimand, or imposition of a condition on a license. SG §§ 9-1A-04(a)(3), -25; COMAR 36.03.04. The Commission may also agree with a licensee to settle a violation. COMAR 36.03.04.06.

Maryland Live! is licensed by the Commission as the operator of the video lottery facility in Anne Arundel County.

By letters dated November 7, 2017, November 16, 2017, November 29, 2017, December 6, 2017, December 21, 2017 and January 4, 2018, the Agency notified Maryland Live! that it was investigating alleged violations of the Gaming Law pertaining to underage individuals.

On January 12, 2018 (Amended January 29, 2018), the Agency issued a Notice of Alleged Violations of the Maryland Gaming Law (“Notices of Violation”) to Maryland Live!. The Notice of Violation alleged that on ten (10) separate occasions, an underage individual(s) was admitted into the casino and onto the gaming floor where VLTs and table games are located at Maryland Live! Casino. The Notices of Violation asserted that these actions violated the Gaming Law and regulations promulgated thereunder, and that these actions were sanctionable.

Maryland Live! has taken a variety of corrective measures to restrict underage individuals from entering the casino.

The parties agree to the following terms and conditions as a means of resolving the captioned alleged violations.

#### **TERMS AND CONDITIONS**


1. This Consent Agreement is being entered into as a means of settling the alleged violations and avoiding the potential expense and inconvenience of a formal hearing.

2. There has not been a formal finding as to the merits of the allegations in the Notices of Violation. This Consent Agreement does not constitute an admission or denial by either party that a violation of law or regulation has occurred.
3. Upon the parties' execution of this Consent Agreement, Commission staff shall submit this Consent Agreement to the Commission for review and final approval at its meeting on February 22, 2018.
4. Upon the Commission's final approval of this Consent Agreement, and no later than 10 days after, Maryland Live! shall remit payment of \$4,500.00 to the Commission.
5. Upon receipt of payment from Maryland Live!, the Commission will close these matters.
6. Maryland Live! will continue to take appropriate measures to prevent underage individuals from entering the casino.
7. If Maryland Live! violates a term of this Consent Agreement, the Commission may impose a sanction or penalty on Maryland Live! for violating the Agreement or for the underlying violations. COMAR 36.03.04.06.
8. By entering into this Consent Agreement, Maryland Live! waives all rights to administrative or judicial review of these alleged violations.
9. This Consent Agreement extends only to those alleged violations referenced in the January 12, 2018 (Amended January 29, 2018) Notice of Violation. If the Commission subsequently discovers additional facts of a material and substantial nature involving any of the incidents cited in the January 12, 2018 (Amended January 29, 2018), Notice of Violation, and said facts constitute, additional alleged violations, the Commission may pursue such additional alleged violations. Maryland Live! reserves the right to dispute such additional alleged violations.

10. This Consent Agreement constitutes the entire agreement between the parties. No prior or subsequent understandings, agreements, or representations, oral or written that are not specified or referenced within this document will be valid provisions of this Consent Agreement.
11. This Consent Agreement may not be modified, supplemented or amended, in any manner, except by written agreement signed by the parties.
12. This Consent Agreement is not final and binding until it is approved by the Commission. COMAR 36.03.04.06B(2).

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties have signed this Consent Agreement as set forth

below:

 2-9-18  
Travis Lamb (date)  
General Manager  
Maryland Live! Casino

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Gordon Medenica (date)  
Director  
Maryland Lottery and Gaming Control  
Agency

APPROVED:

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Kimberly Robertson (date)  
Chair, Maryland Lottery and Gaming Control Commission

**MARYLAND LIVE CASINO – UNDERAGE VIOLATIONS**  
**Case # 2017-03-087, -089, -091, -092, -094, -096, -098, -100 and -103**

**Case No. 2017-03-087**

On October 21, 2017, an underage female was able to enter the casino after having her identification checked by security. As a result of this incident, the underage female was able to access the gaming floor where VLTs and table games are located at Maryland Live! Casino. The underage female was in the casino for approximately 25 minutes and did not gamble or consume any alcoholic beverages. Anne Arundel County Police issued the underage a citation and escorted her from the casino.

Proposed Settlement Amount: \$500.00

**Case No. 2017-03-089**

On November 4, 2017, an underage female entered the casino and did not provide identification when asked by security. As a result of this incident, the underage female was able to access the gaming floor where VLTs and table games are located at Maryland Live! Casino. A short time later, security apprehended the underage female. The underage was in the casino for approximately 7 minutes and did not gamble or consume any alcoholic beverages. Anne Arundel County Police issued the underage female a citation and escorted her from the casino.

Proposed Settlement Amount: No Violation

**Case No. 2017-03-091**

On November 13, 2017, an underage male was able to enter the casino after having his identification checked by security. As a result of this incident, the underage male was able to access the gaming floor where VLTs and table games are located at Maryland Live! Casino. The casino was not able to determine if the underage gamed or consumed alcohol, or the amount of time he was in the casino because surveillance video was not working. The underage male was escorted from the casino without incident.

Proposed Settlement Amount: Warning

**Case No. 2017-03-092**

November 22, 2017, an underage male was allowed to enter the casino after having his identification checked by security. As a result of this incident, the underage male was able to gain access to the gaming floor where VLTs and table games are located at Maryland Live! Casino. The underage male was in the casino for approximately 2 ½ hours and did gamble but did not consume any alcoholic beverages. The underage male was properly identified when he attempted to make a cash advance at cage window #10. Anne Arundel County Police issued the underage male a citation and escorted him from the casino.

Proposed Settlement Amount: Warning

**Case No. 2017-03-094**

On November 26, 2017, an underage male entered the casino and did not provide identification when asked by security. As a result of this incident, the underage male was able to access the gaming floor where VLTs and table games are located at Maryland Live! Casino. A short time later, security apprehended the underage male. The underage male was in the casino for approximately 5 minutes and did not gamble or consume any alcoholic beverages. Anne Arundel County Police issued the underage male a citation and escorted him from the casino.

Proposed Settlement Amount: No Violation

**Case No. 2017-03-096**

On December 2, 2017, an underage female was allowed to enter the casino after having her identification checked by security. As a result of this incident, the underage female was able to gain access to the gaming floor where VLTs and table games are located at Maryland Live! Casino. A short time later, another security officer in the casino properly identified her as being underage and escorted her from the casino. The underage female was in the casino for approximately 3 minutes and did not gamble or consume any alcoholic beverages.

Proposed Settlement Amount: Warning

**Case No. 2017-03-098**

On December 14, 2017, an adult female pushing a baby stroller was able to enter the casino without being stopped by security. As a result of this incident, an underage was able to gain access to the gaming floor where VLTs and table games are located at Maryland Live! Casino. A short time later, the female patron was stopped by security and then escorted from the casino.

Proposed Settlement Amount: Warning

**Case No. 2017-03-099**

On December 18, 2017, an underage male provided security with an expired Maryland driver's license belonging to someone else and was allowed to enter the casino. As a result of this incident, the underage male was able to gain access to the gaming floor where VLTs and table games are located at Maryland Live! Casino. The underage male was in the casino for approximately 40 minutes and did gamble but did not consume any alcoholic beverage. Anne Arundel County Police properly identified the underage male when it was found that he had been involved in a hit and run accident in the casino garage before entering the casino. The underage male was issued a citation.

Proposed Settlement Amount: \$2,000.00

**Case No. 2017-03-100**

On December 18, 2017, two underage males jumped the barrier at Bobby's Burger Palace and entered the casino. As a result of this incident, the underage males were able to gain access to the gaming floor where VLTs and table games are located at Maryland Live! Casino. The underage males were in the casino for approximately 9 minutes and did gamble but did not consume any alcoholic beverages. After being apprehended by security, both underage males were taken into custody by Anne Arundel County Police.

Proposed Settlement Amount: \$2,000.00

**Case No. 2017-03-103**

On December 31, 2017, an underage male working for a casino vendor was denied entry. It was found that the underage male had been in the casino earlier that day to set up for an event and may have been given a security visitor badge without having first reviewed the underage's identification. As a result of this incident, the underage male was able to gain access to the gaming floor where VLTs and table games are located at Maryland Live! Casino. The underage male entered and exited the casino on four separate occasions for a total time of approximately 2 hours in the casino. The underage male did not gamble or consume any alcoholic beverages.

Proposed Settlement Amount: Warning