

**STATE OF OHIO
CASINO CONTROL COMMISSION**

In re: :
 : Case No. 2017-LIC-064
Rodney Rahmon :
CASINO GAMING EMPLOYEE :
LICENSE APPLICANT :
 :
Applicant. :

ORDER DENYING CASINO GAMING EMPLOYEE LICENSE APPLICATION

On June 8, 2017, Rodney Rahmon filed with the Ohio Casino Control Commission (“Commission”) an application for a Casino Gaming Employee License. Thereafter, the Commission conducted a suitability investigation of Rahmon to determine his eligibility for such a license.

A casino gaming employee license applicant is eligible for licensure upon meeting the following criteria: (1) being at least 21 years of age, R.C. 3772.131(C); (2) filing a true and complete Casino Gaming Employee License Application (“Application”), R.C. 3772.131(D) and Ohio Adm. Code 3772-8-02(A); (3) submitting two sets of the applicant’s fingerprints and a photograph, R.C. 3772.131(E); (4) paying the nonrefundable application fee, R.C. 3772.131(E) and Ohio Adm. Code 3772-8-03, and all fees necessary to cover the cost of the background investigation in excess of the application fee, Ohio Adm. Code 3772-8-03(B); (5) reimbursing the costs for the background check, including the criminal records check, R.C. 3772.07 and 3772.131(E); (6) not having been convicted of or pled guilty or no contest to a disqualifying offense, R.C. 3772.07 and 3772.10(C)(1); and (7) being otherwise suitable for licensure, R.C. 3772.10(B) and (C)(7).

During an administrative investigation of Rahmon, the Commission discovered sufficient derogatory information to warrant issuance of a Notice of Opportunity for Hearing (“Notice”), dated February 15, 2018. (Exhibit A.) Rahmon received the Notice, sent via certified mail, on February 17, 2018. (Exhibit B.) Pursuant to R.C. 119.07 and 3772.04, Rahmon had the right to a hearing if requested within 30 days of the Notice’s mailing. Rahmon failed to do so. Accordingly, no hearing was held, and the matter was brought before the Commission on April 18, 2018, for final adjudication. R.C. 119.07 and 3772.04(A).

WHEREFORE, in consideration of the foregoing and upon a quorum and majority vote of the members, the Commission **FINDS** and **CONCLUDES** as follows:

- 1) Rahmon submitted an Application that contained false information or failed to set forth all of the information required by the Commission, in violation of R.C. 3772.10, R.C. 3772.131, Ohio Adm. Code 3772-8-02, and 3772-8-05, including:

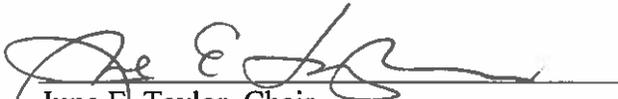
- A) Failing to disclose information under Question 8 that he was arrested for or charged with No Op. Lic. and A.C.D., which he was convicted of, or pled guilty or no contest to, on December 18, 2008, in the South Euclid Municipal Court; or
 - B) Answering “NO” to Question 16 when he should have answered “YES” because he had a civil complaint and resulting April 4, 2011 lien or judgment filed against him in the South Euclid Municipal Court.
- 2) Rahmon is not suitable or otherwise eligible to be granted or to maintain a license, as required by R.C. 3772.10 and Ohio Adm. Code 3772-8-05, based on the above allegations, including the underlying conduct, and the following:
- A) He was arrested for or charged with Disorderly Conduct on January 1, 2005, in the Cleveland Municipal Court;
 - B) He was arrested for or charged with Domestic Violence, and he was convicted of, or pled guilty or no contest to, Menacing, on February 15, 2005, which was later dismissed on April 26, 2007, in the Cleveland Municipal Court;
 - C) He was arrested for or charged with Disorderly Conduct and Resisting Arrest, and he was convicted of, or pled guilty or no contest to, Resisting Arrest, on March 10, 2005, in the Cleveland Municipal Court;
 - D) He was arrested for or charged with Assault, and he was convicted of, or pled guilty or no contest to, Disorderly Conduct, on August 8, 2007, in the Cleveland Municipal Court; or
 - E) He was arrested for or charged with Misconduct – Public Transportation and Aggravated Disorderly Conduct, and he was convicted of, or pled guilty or no contest to, Misconduct – Public Transportation, on July 26, 2011, in the Cleveland Municipal Court.
- 3) Based on the above allegations, including the underlying conduct, Rahmon failed to establish, by clear and convincing evidence, his suitability for licensure, as required by R.C. 3772.10 and Ohio Adm. Code 3772-8-05.

WHEREFORE, in consideration of the foregoing and upon a quorum and majority vote of the members, the Commission **ORDERS** as follows:

- 1) Rahmon’s Application is **DENIED**.
- 2) Rahmon is **PROHIBITED** from working or otherwise serving in any capacity that requires a license under R.C. Chapter 3772.

- 3) Rahmon is **PROHIBITED** from reapplying for licensure under R.C. Chapter 3772 for three years from the date the Order is served upon him, absent a waiver granted by the Commission commensurate with Ohio Adm. Code 3772-1-04.
- 4) A certified copy of the Order shall be served upon Rahmon, via certified mail, return receipt requested, and his counsel of record, if any, via ordinary mail.

IT IS SO ORDERED.



June E. Taylor, Chair
Ohio Casino Control Commission

NOTICE OF APPEAL RIGHTS

The Party is hereby notified that pursuant to R.C. 119.12, the Commission Order may be appealed by filing a Notice of Appeal with the Commission setting forth the Order that the Party is appealing from and stating that the Commission's Order is not supported by reliable, probative, and substantial evidence and is not in accordance with law. The Notice of Appeal may also include, but is not required to include, the specific grounds for the appeal. The Notice of Appeal must also be filed with the Franklin County Court of Common Pleas in accordance with R.C. 119.12. In filing the Notice of Appeal with the Commission or court, the notice that is filed may be either the original Notice of Appeal or a copy thereof. The Notice of Appeal must be filed within 15 days after the date of mailing of the Commission Order.