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NGC 13-04 STATE OF NEVADA BEFORE THE NEVADA GAMING COMMISSION STATE GAMING CONTROL BOARD, Complainant. COMPLAINT JITTERBUG, LLC, dba THE BIKINI BAR; LONNY JOSEPH CAMPOS. Respondents

The State of Nevada, on relation of its State Gaming Control Board (BOARD), Complainant herein, by and through its counsel, CATHERINE CORTEZ MASTO, Attorney General, by JOHN S. MICHELA, Senior Deputy Attorney General, hereby files this Complaint for disciplinary action against RESPONDENTS pursuant to Nevada Revised Statute (NRS) 463.310(2) and alleges as follows:

- 1. Complainant, BOARD, is an administrative agency of the State of Nevada duly organized and existing under and by virtue of chapter 463 of NRS and is charged with the administration and enforcement of the gaming laws of this state as set forth in Title 41 of NRS and the Regulations of the Nevada Gaming Commission.
- 2. JITTERBUG, LLC, dba THE BIKINI BAR (BIKINI BAR), located at 3355 Spring Mountain Road, Las Vegas, Nevada holds a restricted gaming license.
- 3. LONNY JOSEPH CAMPOS (CAMPOS) is the sole member and manager of BIKINI BAR and is licensed as such.

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RELEVANT LAW

- 4. The Nevada Legislature has declared under NRS 463.0129(1) that:
 - (a) The gaming industry is vitally important to the economy of the State and the general welfare of the inhabitants.
 - (b) The continued growth and success of gaming is dependent upon public confidence and trust that licensed gaming and the manufacture, sale and distribution of gaming devices and associated equipment are conducted honestly and competitively, that establishments which hold restricted and nonrestricted licenses where gaming is conducted and where gambling devices are operated do not unduly impact the quality of life enjoyed by residents of the surrounding neighborhoods, that the rights of the creditors of licensees are protected and that gaming is free from criminal and corruptive elements.
 - (c) Public confidence and trust can only be maintained by strict regulation of all persons, locations, practices, associations and activities related to the operation of licensed gaming establishments, the manufacture, sale or distribution of gaming devices and associated equipment and the operation of inter-casino linked systems.
 - (d) All establishments where gaming is conducted and where gaming devices are operated, and manufacturers, sellers and distributors of certain gaming devices and equipment, and operators of inter-casino linked systems must therefore be licensed, controlled and assisted to protect the public health, safety, morals, good order and general welfare of the inhabitants of the State, to foster the stability and success of gaming and to preserve the competitive economy and policies of free competition of the State of Nevada.

NRS 463.0129(1)(a), (b), (c) and (d).

- 5. The Nevada Gaming Commission has full and absolute power and authority to limit, condition, restrict, revoke or suspend any license, or fine any person licensed, for any cause deemed reasonable. See NRS 463.1405(4).
- 6. The Nevada Gaming Commission may also place "such conditions as it may deem necessary in the public interest upon any registration, finding of suitability or approval for which application has been made." NRS 463.220(3).
- 7. The BOARD is authorized to observe the conduct of licensees in order to ensure that the gaming operations are not being conducted in an unsuitable manner. See NRS 463.1405(1).

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8. This continuing obligation is repeated in Nevada Gaming Commission Regulation 5.040, which provides as follows:

A gaming license is a revocable privilege, and no holder thereof shall be deemed to have acquired any vested rights therein or thereunder. The burden of proving his qualifications to hold any license rests at all times on the licensee. The board is charged by law with the duty of observing the conduct of all licensees to the end that licenses shall not be held by unqualified or disqualified persons or unsuitable persons or persons whose operations are conducted in an unsuitable manner.

Nev. Gaming Comm'n Reg. 5.040.

- 9. Nevada Gaming Commission Regulation 5.010 provides as follows:
 - 1. It is the policy of the commission and the board to require that all establishments wherein gaming is conducted in this state be operated in a manner suitable to protect the public health, safety, morals, good order and general welfare of the inhabitants of the State of Nevada.
 - 2. Responsibility for the employment and maintenance of suitable methods of operation rests with the licensee, and willful or persistent use or toleration of methods of operation deemed unsuitable will constitute grounds for license revocation or other disciplinary action.

Nev. Gaming Comm'n Reg. 5.010.

10. Nevada Gaming Commission Regulation 5.011 states, in relevant part, as follows:

The board and the commission deem any activity on the part of any licensee, his agents or employees, that is inimical to the public health, safety, morals, good order and general welfare of the people of the State of Nevada, or that would reflect or tend to reflect discredit upon the State of Nevada or the gaming industry, to be an unsuitable method of operation and shall be grounds for disciplinary action by the board and the commission in accordance with the Nevada Gaming Control Act and the regulations of the board and the commission. Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, the following acts or omissions may be determined to be unsuitable methods of operation:

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8. Failure to comply with or make provision for compliance with all federal, state and local laws and regulations pertaining to the operations of a licensed establishment including, without limiting the generality of the foregoing, payment of all license fees, withholding any payroll taxes, liquor and entertainment taxes and antitrust and monopoly statutes.

Nev. Gaming Comm'n Reg. 5.011 (8)

11. Nevada Gaming Commission Regulation 8.050 states:

Except as and to the extent provided in these regulations pertaining to emergency situations, no money or other thing of value constituting any part of the consideration for the transfer or acquisition of any interest in a licensed gaming operation, in a licensee or in a holding company shall be paid over, received or used until complete compliance has been had with all prerequisites set forth in the law and these regulations for the consummation of such transaction; but such funds may be placed in escrow pending completion of the transaction. Any loan, pledge or other transaction between the parties or with other parties may be deemed an attempt to evade the requirements of this regulation and, as such, in violation of this regulation.

Nev. Gaming Comm'n Reg. 8.050.

12. Nevada Revised Statute 463.161 provides:

A license to operate 15 or fewer slot machines at an establishment in which the operation of slot machines is incidental to the primary business conducted at the establishment may only be granted to the operator of the primary business or to a licensed operator of a slot machine route.

NRS 463.161.

13. Nevada Gaming Commission Regulation 5.030 provides as follows:

Violation of any provision of the Nevada Gaming Control Act or of these regulations by a licensee, his agent or employee shall be deemed contrary to the public health, safety, morals, good order and general welfare of the inhabitants of the State of Nevada and grounds for suspension or revocation of a license. Acceptance of a state gaming license or renewal thereof by a licensee constitutes an agreement on the part of the licensee to be bound by all of the regulations of the commission as the same now are or may hereafter be amended or promulgated. It is the responsibility of the licensee to keep himself informed of the content of all such regulations, and ignorance thereof will not excuse violations.

Nev. Gaming Comm'n Reg. 5.030 (emphasis added).

COUNT ONE

VIOLATION OF NEVADA REVISED STATUTE 463.161and/or NEVADA GAMING COMMISSION REGULATION 8.050

14. Complainant BOARD realleges and incorporates by reference as though set forth in full herein paragraphs 1 through 13 above.

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- 15. On or about June 26, 2012, BIKINI BAR entered into an agreement with 600 Club, LLC (Buyer) to sell substantially all of the assets of BIKINI BAR to Buyer for \$150,000.00. To date, the Nevada Gaming Commission has not approved this transaction or licensed Buyer or its owners.
 - 16. Buyer is substantially owned by Paul Wilkes and Joseph Adashek.
- 17. On or about June 22, 2012, Mr. Adashek paid \$50,000.00 of the purchase price of the assets of BIKINI BAR to BIKINI BAR and/or LONNY JOSEPH CAMPOS. On or about June 26, 2012, Mr. Wilkes paid \$50,000.00 of the purchase price of the assets of BIKINI BAR to BIKINI BAR. Neither of these payments was escrowed as required by Nevada Gaming Commission Regulation 8.050.
- 18. The agreement between BIKINI BAR and Buyer also set out that Buyer was to operate the business of BIKINI BAR until such time as the Nevada Gaming Commission approved Buyer and its owners. Buyer has been operating the business of BIKINI BAR since on or about July 3, 2012.
- 19. The slot machines in BIKINI BAR have been continuously exposed for play from at least June 22, 2012, through March 27, 2013.
- 20. The revenue from the slot machines in BIKINI BAR continued to go to LONNY JOSEPH CAMPOS, even though he was not the operator of the primary business from on or about July 3, 2012, through March 27, 2013.

WHEREFORE, based upon the allegations contained herein which constitute reasonable cause for disciplinary action against RESPONDENTS, pursuant to NRS 463.310, and Nevada Gaming Commission Regulations 5.010 and 5.030, the STATE GAMING CONTROL BOARD prays for the relief as follows:

- 1. That the Nevada Gaming Commission serves a copy of this Complaint on RESPONDENTS pursuant to NRS 463.312(2);
- 2. That the Nevada Gaming Commission fine RESPONDENTS a monetary sum pursuant to the parameters defined at NRS 463.310(4) for each separate violation of the