

**ORDER 2019-209**

**IN RE SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT**

**AMERISTAR CASINO EAST CHICAGO, LLC  
19-AS-04**

After having reviewed the attached Settlement Agreement, the Indiana Gaming Commission hereby:

**APPROVED**

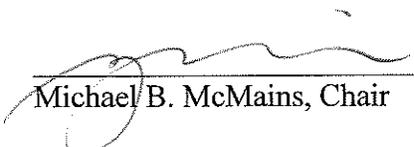
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APPROVES OR DISAPPROVES

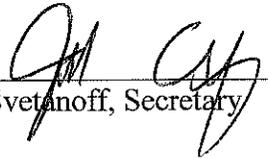
the proposed terms of the Settlement Agreement.

**IT IS SO ORDERED THIS THE 8<sup>th</sup> DAY OF NOVEMBER, 2019.**

**THE INDIANA GAMING COMMISSION:**

  
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Michael B. McMains, Chair

ATTEST:

  
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Joseph Svetanoff, Secretary

**STATE OF INDIANA  
INDIANA GAMING COMMISSION**

<b>IN RE THE MATTER OF:</b>	)	
	)	<b>SETTLEMENT</b>
<b>AMERISTAR CASINO EAST</b>	)	<b>19-AS-04</b>
<b>CHICAGO, LLC</b>	)	

**SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT**

The Indiana Gaming Commission (“Commission”) by and through its Executive Director Sara Gonso Tait and Ameristar Casino East Chicago, LLC (“Ameristar”), (collectively, the “Parties”) desire to enter into this settlement agreement (“Agreement”) prior to the initiation of a disciplinary proceeding pursuant to 68 IAC 13-1-18(a). The Parties stipulate and agree that the following facts are true:

**FINDINGS OF FACT**

1. 68 IAC 11-9-2(a) provides that casino licensees or trustees shall submit to the executive director internal control procedures concerning the withholding of cash winnings from delinquent obligors in accordance with 68 IAC 11-1.
2. 68 IAC 11-1-3(c)(4) provides that no casino licensee or casino license applicant may use an internal control procedure unless the internal control procedure has been approved, in writing, by the executive director.
3. 68 IAC 13-1-1(b)(2) and (3) provides that the commission may initiate an investigation or a disciplinary action, or both, against a licensee if the commission has reason to believe the licensee is not complying with licensure conditions or is not complying with this Act or this title.
4. Ameristar’s approved internal controls, C-18, describe its procedures for the Child Support Intercept Process.
5. On August 11, 2019, a Gaming Agent audited the Child Support Arrears Delinquency Registry (the “CSADR”) for July 2019. The results of this audit found one (1) individual was not searched through the CSADR system at the time a taxable jackpot was won.

**TERMS AND CONDITIONS**

Commission staff alleges that the acts or omissions of Ameristar by and through its agents as described herein constitute a breach of IC 4-33, 68 IAC and/or Ameristar’s approved internal control procedures. The Commission and Ameristar hereby agree to a monetary settlement of the alleged violations described herein in lieu of the Commission pursuing formal disciplinary action against Ameristar.

Ameristar shall pay to the Commission a total of \$500 in consideration for the Commission foregoing disciplinary action based on the facts specifically described in each Count of this Agreement. This Agreement extends only to those violations and findings of fact specifically alleged in the findings above. If the Commission subsequently discovers facts that give rise to additional or separate violations, the Commission may pursue disciplinary action for such violations even if the subsequent violations are similar or related to an incident described in the findings above.

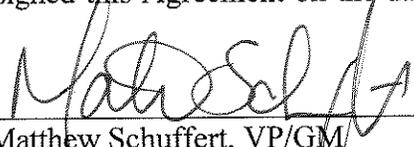
Upon execution and approval of this Agreement, Commission staff shall submit this Agreement to the Commission for review and final action. Upon approval of the Agreement by the Commission, Ameristar agrees to promptly remit payment in the amount of \$500 and shall waive all rights to further administrative or judicial review.

This Agreement constitutes the entire agreement between the Parties. No prior or subsequent understandings, agreements, or representations, oral or written, not specified or referenced within this document will be valid provisions of this Agreement. This Agreement may not be modified, supplemented, or amended, in any manner, except by written agreement signed by all Parties.

This Agreement shall be binding upon the Commission and Ameristar.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Parties have signed this Agreement on the date and year as set forth below.

  
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Sara Gonso Tait, Executive Director  
Indiana Gaming Commission

  
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Matthew Schuffert, VP/GM  
Ameristar Casino East Chicago, LLC

11/6/19  
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Date

11/1/19  
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Date