

COMMISSION RESOLUTION NO. 19-009
REGARDING EXCLUSION OF SAMUEL D. HAZER FROM
EXCURSION GAMBLING BOATS AND FACILITIES IN MISSOURI

February 27, 2019

WHEREAS, pursuant to 11 CSR 45-15.030, the Missouri Gaming Commission (the “Commission”) has the authority to place a person on the Exclusion List for the conviction of a felony in any jurisdiction of any crime involving moral turpitude or of a crime involving gaming, violating any provision of Chapter 313 RSMo or any rule promulgated by the Missouri Gaming Commission, or performing any act or having a notorious or unsavory reputation which would adversely affect public confidence and trust in gaming, or has his name on any valid and current exclusion list from another jurisdiction in the United States; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to 11 CSR 45-15.010, placement on the Exclusion List prohibits such person from entering or having contact of any kind with any Missouri riverboat gaming operation; and

WHEREAS, on September 18, 2017, Samuel D. Hazer pled guilty to the felony of Conducting an Illegal Gambling Business, in violation of Title 18 U.S.C. § 1955, the felony of Transportation of Aid in a Racketeering Enterprise, in violation of Title 18 U.S.C. §§ 1952(a)(3) and 1952(a)(3)(A), two Counts of felony Laundering of Monetary Instruments in violation of Title 18 U.S.C. §§ 1956(a)(1)(B) and 1956(a)(1), and the felony of Money Laundering in violation of Title 18 U.S.C. §§ 1957(a) and 1957(b)(1) in the United States District Court Eastern District of Missouri. The Court accepted his plea and on January 16, 2018, sentenced Mr. Hazer to a total term of 12 months and one day for each of the five counts to be served concurrently in the Federal Bureau of Prison, followed by three years supervised probation. He was ordered to pay an assessment of \$500 and a \$10,000 fine. Under the terms of her probation, Mr. Hazer was prohibited from engaging in any form of gambling.

From January 1, 2008 through August 28, 2014, Mr. Hazer and two other defendants conducted an illegal gambling business involving sports betting and conducted financial transactions affecting interstate commerce involving the proceeds of their gambling activity. Mr. Hazer also conducted and attempted to conduct a financial transaction affecting interstate commerce knowing that the transaction was designed, in whole and in part, to conceal and disguise the nature, location, source, ownership and control the proceeds of their gambling activity.

On September 25, 1992, Mr. Hazer pled guilty to the Class D Felony of 1st Degree Promoting Gambling, in violation of § 572.030, RSMo (1990) in the St. Louis Count Circuit Court, Case # 22921-00397C. On September 25, 1992, the Court sentenced Mr. Hazer to one year in the Missouri Department of Corrections, but suspended the execution of his sentence and placed him on supervised probation for one year, which he successfully completed.

On September 25, 1992, Mr. Hazer also pled guilty to the Class D Felony of 1st Degree Possession of Gambling Records, in violation of of § 572.050, RSMo (1990) and the Class D Felony of 1st Degree Promoting Gambling, in violation of of § 572.030, RSMo (1990)) in the St. Louis Count Circuit Court, Case # 2192R-01778B-01. On September 25, 1992, the Court sentenced Mr. Hazer to three years in the Missouri Department of Corrections, but suspended the execution of his sentence and placed him on supervised probation for three years, which he successfully completed.

Samuel D. Hazer applied to be on the Missouri Disassociated Persons List on January 26, 2017 and approved on January 31, 2017.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Commission hereby finds that Samuel D. Hazer is eligible for permanent placement on the Exclusion List, and the Commission directs the Executive Director to issue a Notice of Exclusion to Samuel D. Hazer.