



1 NGC Case No. 22-01

2 STATE OF NEVADA
3 BEFORE THE NEVADA GAMING COMMISSION
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5 In the Matter of the Exclusion of:)
6 LEONARD MORGAN HAIRSTON,)
7 aka Leonard Morgan Harrison,)
8 Leonard Hairston, Leonard M. Hairston,)
9 Leo Harrison, Leonard L. Hharrston,)
10 Leonard Martin Stone, Leonard M. Stone,)
11 Leonard Morgan Stone, Darryl Edward)
12 Montoute, Darryl E. Montoute,)
13 Leonard Morgan Hariston,)
14 and Morgan Hariston,)
15 From Licensed Gaming Establishments)
16 In the State of Nevada.)

FINAL ORDER OF EXCLUSION

13 On November 5, 2022, the Nevada Gaming Control Board (Board) entered its Order
14 nominating LEONARD MORGAN HAIRSTON as a candidate to the List of Excluded
15 Persons pursuant to Nevada Revised Statutes (NRS) 463.151 through 463.155 and Nevada
16 Gaming Commission Regulation 28. After being personally served the Notice of Candidacy
17 and Order of Nomination to List of Excluded Persons on October 12, 2022, LEONARD
18 MORGAN HAIRSTON requested a hearing before the Nevada Gaming Commission
19 (Commission) pursuant to NRS 463.153(1). The Board filed a Bill of Particulars on
20 November 2, 2022. This matter came before the Commission on November 17, 2022.
21 JOHN S. MICHELA, Senior Deputy Attorney General, appeared on behalf of the Board.
22 LEONARD MORGAN HAIRSTON appeared *in pro per*.

23 Having reviewed and carefully considered the record together with all of the
24 evidence presented, the Commission, believing it to be fully advised on the facts and issues
25 before it, makes the following findings:

26 FINDINGS OF FACT

27 1. Pursuant to NRS 463.151(3)(a), LEONARD MORGAN HAIRSTON has been
28 convicted of crimes that are felonies in this state. Specifically:

1 a) On or about April 12, 2015, LEONARD MORGAN HAIRSTON was convicted
2 in Nevada of Theft in violation of NRS 193.330, 205.0832, and 205.0835, a Category D
3 Felony. The facts giving rise to this conviction occurred in a licensed gaming
4 establishment.

5 b) On or about January 18, 2005, LEONARD MORGAN HAIRSTON was
6 convicted in Nevada of Attempted Theft in violation of NRS 193.330, 205.220, and 205.222,
7 a Category D Felony. The facts giving rise to this conviction occurred in a licensed gaming
8 establishment.

9 c) On or about September 27, 2002, LEONARD MORGAN HAIRSTON was
10 convicted in Nevada of Grand Larceny in violation of NRS 205.220, and 205.222, a Felony.
11 The facts giving rise to this conviction occurred in a licensed gaming establishment.

12 2. Pursuant to NRS 463.151(3)(a), LEONARD MORGAN HAIRSTON has been
13 convicted of crimes involving moral turpitude. Specifically:

14 a) On or about April 12, 2015, LEONARD MORGAN HAIRSTON was convicted
15 in Nevada of Theft in violation of NRS 193.330, 205.0832, and 205.0835, a Category D
16 Felony. The facts giving rise to this conviction occurred in a licensed gaming
17 establishment.

18 b) On or about January 18, 2005, LEONARD MORGAN HAIRSTON was
19 convicted in Nevada of Attempted Theft in violation of NRS 193.330, 205.220, and 205.222,
20 a Category D Felony. The facts giving rise to this conviction occurred in a licensed gaming
21 establishment.

22 c) On or about September 27, 2002, LEONARD MORGAN HAIRSTON was
23 convicted in Nevada of Grand Larceny in violation of NRS 205.220, and 205.222, a Felony.
24 The facts giving rise to this conviction occurred in a licensed gaming establishment.

25 d) On or about February 14, 2020, LEONARD MORGAN HAIRSTON pled guilty
26 to Conspiracy to Commit a Crime in violation of NRS 199.480. The facts giving rise to this
27 conviction were based on attempting to manufacture a cheating device in the form of
28 counterfeit gaming chips.

1 e) On or about June 27, 2008, LEONARD MORGAN HAIRSTON was convicted
2 in Nevada of Conspiracy to Commit Theft in violation of NRS 199.480, 205.0832, and
3 205.0835, a Gross Misdemeanor. The facts giving rise to this conviction occurred in a
4 licensed gaming establishment.

5 3. Pursuant to NRS 463.151(3)(d), LEONARD MORGAN HAIRSTON has been
6 excluded from an establishment which conducts gaming by the written order of a
7 governmental agency. Specifically:

8 a) On or about August 12, 2015, Eighth Judicial District Court of Nevada, Judge
9 Carolyn Ellsworth, ordered as a probation condition for LEONARD MORGAN HAIRSTON
10 “[d]o not enter any gaming establishment, including bars, unless employed.” Judge
11 Ellsworth reaffirmed this exclusion in the Amended Judgment of Conviction: “Defendant
12 may not enter any gaming establishment unless employed.”

13 b) On or about September 27, 2002, a Judge in the Eighth Judicial District Court
14 of Nevada ordered as a probation condition for LEONARD MORGAN HAIRSTON,
15 “Defendant not to gamble or enter into a gaming establishment during the term of
16 probation.”

17 4. LEONARD MORGAN HAIRSTON continues to have contacts with the State of
18 Nevada and poses a threat to the interests of the State of Nevada and to licensed gaming
19 as demonstrated by the fact LEONARD MORGAN HAIRSTON has been arrested by Board
20 agents approximately 34 times from 1990 through 2021 based on theft of casino gaming
21 chips from licensees or patrons of gaming licensees or counterfeit casino gaming chip
22 production.

23 5. The race, color, creed, national origin or ancestry, sex, sexual orientation, or
24 gender identity or expression of LEONARD MORGAN HAIRSTON is not and has not been
25 considered for placing his name on the List of Excluded Persons.

26 **CONCLUSIONS OF LAW**

27 6. The Commission has jurisdiction in this matter pursuant to NRS 463.153(1).

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1 7. The procedural requirements of the Nevada Gaming Control Act and Nev.
2 Gaming Comm'n Reg. 28 have been satisfied.

3 8. The sole issue before the Commission is whether at least one of the criteria set
4 forth in NRS 463.151(3) to place LEONARD MORGAN HAIRSTON on the List of Excluded
5 Persons has been met.

6 9. The Nevada Legislature has provided that the Board may nominate, and the
7 Commission may so include a person on the List of Excluded Persons by reason of the fact
8 that such person has a "[p]rior conviction of a crime which is a felony in this state or under
9 the laws of the United States, a crime involving moral turpitude or a violation of the gaming
10 laws of any state." NRS 463.151(3)(a).

11 10. The Nevada Legislature has provided that the Board may nominate, and the
12 Commission may so include a person on the List of Excluded Persons by reason of the fact
13 that such person has been the subject of a "[w]ritten order of a governmental agency which
14 authorizes the exclusion or ejection of the person from an establishment at which gaming
15 or pari-mutuel wagering is conducted." NRS 463.151(3)(d).

16 11. The Commission has also determined that a finding of any one of the criteria set
17 forth in NRS 463.151(3) is sufficient to place the name of an individual on the List of
18 Excluded Persons. See Nev. Gaming Comm'n Reg. 28.010(2).

19 12. Given the preceding findings of fact, the criteria of NRS 463.151(3)(a), that
20 LEONARD MORGAN HAIRSTON has been convicted of a crime which is a felony under
21 the laws of this state, is met. The criteria of NRS 463.151(3)(a), that LEONARD MORGAN
22 HAIRSTON has been convicted of crimes involving moral turpitude, is met. The criteria of
23 NRS 463.151(3)(d), that LEONARD MORGAN HAIRSTON has been the subject of a
24 written order of a governmental agency excluding him from an establishment at which
25 gaming is conducted, is met. Each of these, standing on its own, is sufficient to place
26 LEONARD MORGAN HAIRSTON on the list of persons to be excluded or ejected from any
27 licensed gaming establishment in the State of Nevada which conducts pari-mutuel
28 wagering or operates any race book, sports pool, or games, other than slot machines only.

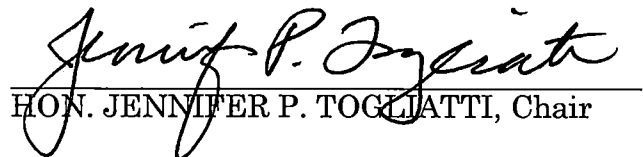
1 13. Should any of the foregoing Conclusions of Law be deemed Findings of Fact, they
2 shall be so construed.

3 Accordingly, the Commission finds and concludes that LEONARD MORGAN
4 HAIRSTON is a person whose presence in licensed gaming establishments would pose a
5 threat to the interests of this state or to licensed gaming, or both. Based on the foregoing,
6 and good cause appearing:

7 IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that LEONARD MORGAN HAIRSTON be, and hereby
8 is placed on the list of persons to be excluded or ejected from any licensed gaming
9 establishment in the State of Nevada which conducts pari-mutuel wagering or operates
10 any race book, sports pool or games, other than slot machines only.

11 DATED this 17th day of November, 2022.

12 NEVADA GAMING COMMISSION

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