

STATE OF FLORIDA
FLORIDA GAMING CONTROL COMMISSION
DIVISION OF PARI-MUTUEL WAGERING

FLORIDA GAMING CONTROL COMMISSION,
DIVISION OF PARI-MUTUEL WAGERING,

Petitioner,

v.

FGCC Case No.: 2024-064428

STANKO BOGOVICH,

Respondent.

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FINAL ORDER

This matter appeared before the Florida Gaming Control Commission at a duly-noticed public meeting on February 5, 2026, for final agency action pursuant to sections 120.569 and 120.57(2), Florida Statutes. After a complete review of the records in this matter, the Commission makes the following findings of fact and conclusions of law:

1. An administrative complaint was filed in this case on April 29, 2025. A copy of the administrative complaint, an election of rights form, an explanation of rights, and a cover letter (collectively referred to as the Administrative Complaint) are attached hereto as Exhibit "1" and incorporated by reference.

2. The Commission attempted to personally serve Respondent with the Administrative Complaint via mail and hand service, but these attempts were unsuccessful.

3. Notices of action were published in the Ormond Beach Observer for four consecutive weeks starting on December 18, 2025. The publication complied with the notice requirements enumerated in section 120.60(5), Florida Statutes. Respondent failed to respond to the notice before the published deadline of January 16, 2026. Proof of service is attached hereto as Exhibit "2" and incorporated by reference.

4. Petitioner informed Respondent that the failure to contact the Florida Gaming Control Commission prior to the published deadline would be deemed a waiver of the right to a hearing.

5. Respondent has not filed a timely response to the publication notice. Respondent has not submitted any evidence or made any allegations that would support the application of the doctrine of equitable tolling.

6. Having considered the Administrative Complaint and Respondent's waiver of his right to request a hearing, and being otherwise fully advised in the premises, it is hereby

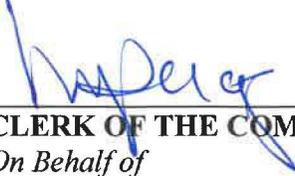
ORDERED and ADJUDGED:

1. Respondent waived his right to request a hearing in this cause.
2. The allegations of fact and the conclusions of law in the Administrative Complaint are adopted in their entirety herein.
3. Respondent is **PERMANENTLY EXCLUDED** from all pari-mutuel facilities and all facilities of slot machine licensees within the state of Florida.

This Final Order shall take effect upon being filed with the Clerk of the Commission.

DONE AND ORDERED this 18th day of FEBRUARY, 2026.

FLORIDA GAMING CONTROL COMMISSION



CLERK OF THE COMMISSION

On Behalf of

Julie I. Brown, Chair

Tina Repp, Vice Chair

John D'Aquila, Commissioner

William Spicola, Commissioner

Peter Cuderman, Commissioner

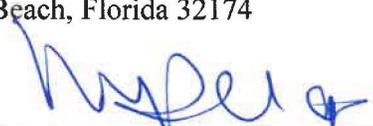
NOTICE OF RIGHT TO APPEAL

Any party to this proceeding has the right to seek its judicial review under section 120.68, Florida Statutes, by the filing of an original notice of appeal pursuant to rules 9.110 and 9.190, Florida Rules of Appellate Procedure, with the Clerk of the Commission, 4070 Esplanade Way, Tallahassee, Florida 32399 (Email: clerk@flgaming.gov), and by filing a copy of the notice of appeal accompanied by the applicable filing fees with the appropriate Florida district court of appeal. The notice of appeal must be received by the Clerk of the Commission within thirty (30) days after the date this Order is filed with the Clerk of the Commission.

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I HEREBY CERTIFY that on this 18TH day of FEBRUARY, 2026, a true and correct copy of this Final Order has been sent via U.S. mail to:

Stanko Bogovich
522 McIntosh Road
Ormond Beach, Florida 32174



CLERK OF THE COMMISSION
Florida Gaming Control Commission

CC: Ebonie Lanier

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ADMINISTRATIVE COMPLAINT

The Florida Gaming Control Commission, Division of Pari-Mutuel Wagering (“Petitioner”), files this Administrative Complaint against Stanko Bogovich (“Respondent”), and alleges:

1. Petitioner is the state agency charged with regulating pari-mutuel, slot machine, and cardroom operations pursuant to chapters 550, 551, and 849, Florida Statutes.
2. At all times material hereto, Respondent’s address was reported as 622 Mcintosh Road, Ormond Beach, Florida, 32174.
3. At all times material hereto, 831 Federal Highway Acquisition, LLC d/b/a The Big Easy Casino was a facility operated by a permitholder authorized by the Commission to conduct pari-mutuel wagering, cardroom operations, and slot operations in the state of Florida.
4. On or about November 3, 2024, Respondent was a patron of The Big Easy Casino.
5. On or about November 3, 2024, Respondent was ejected and permanently excluded from the Big Easy Casino.
6. Section 550.0251(6), Florida Statutes, provides in relevant part:

In addition to the power to exclude certain persons from any pari-mutuel facility in this state, the commission may exclude any person from any and all pari-mutuel facilities in this state for conduct that would constitute, if the person were a licensee, a violation of this chapter or the rules of the commission. The commission may exclude from any pari-mutuel facility within this state any person who has been ejected from a pari-mutuel facility in this state or who has been excluded from any pari-mutuel facility in another state by the governmental department, agency, commission, or authority exercising regulatory jurisdiction over pari-mutuel facilities in such other state.

(Emphasis added).

7. Section 551.112, Florida Statutes, provides:

In addition to the power to exclude certain persons from any facility of a slot machine licensee in this state, the commission may exclude any person from any facility of a slot machine licensee in this state for conduct that would constitute, if the person were a licensee, a violation of this chapter or the rules of the commission. The commission may exclude from any facility of a slot machine licensee any person who has been ejected from a facility of a slot machine licensee in this state or who has been excluded from any facility of a slot machine licensee or gaming facility in another state by the governmental department, agency, commission, or authority exercising regulatory jurisdiction over the gaming in such other state. This section does not abrogate the common law right of a slot machine licensee to exclude a patron absolutely in this state.

(Emphasis added).

8. Based on the foregoing, Respondent is subject to exclusion from all licensed pari-mutuel wagering facilities and any facility of a slot machine licensee in the state of Florida under sections 550.0251(6) and 551.112, Florida Statutes, based on his ejection from The Big Easy Casino on or about November 3, 2024.

WHEREFORE, Petitioner respectfully requests the Florida Gaming Control Commission enter an Order excluding Respondent from all licensed pari-mutuel wagering facilities and any facility of a slot machine licensee in the state of Florida, in accordance with sections 550.0251(6) and 551.112, along with any other remedy provided by chapter 550, Florida Statutes, and/or the rules promulgated thereunder.

This Administrative Complaint for FGCC Case Number 2024-064428 is signed this 28th day of April 2025.

/s/ Justin Hundersmarck

Justin Hundersmarck
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Division of Pari-Mutuel Wagering
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Fax: +1 (850) 536-8709
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Secondary: Ebonie.Lanier@flgaming.gov

NOTICE OF RIGHTS TO REQUEST A HEARING

Pursuant to sections 120.569 and 120.57, Florida Statutes, you have the right to request a hearing to challenge the charges contained in this Administrative Complaint. If you choose to request a hearing, you will have the right to be represented by counsel, or other qualified representative, to present evidence and argument, to call and cross-examine witnesses, and to have subpoenas and subpoenas duces tecum issued on your behalf.

Any request for an administrative proceeding to challenge or contest the charges contained in this Administrative Complaint must conform to rule 28-106.2015, Florida Administrative Code. Pursuant to rule 28-106.111, Florida Administrative Code, you must request a hearing within 21 days from receipt of this Notice, or you will waive your right to request a hearing.

Mediation under section 120.573, Florida Statutes, is not available to resolve this Administrative Complaint.

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ELECTION OF RIGHTS

Please read the Administrative Complaint before choosing one of the three options. The Election of Rights is a **legally binding** document. Consult an attorney if you do not understand your options.

You can only select **ONE** of the options numbered one (1), two (2), and three (3) on the Election of Rights form. You must sign the form.

A completed Election of Rights **must be returned to the Clerk of the Commission within 21 days, by 5:00 p.m., Eastern Time, of the day you receive the attached Administrative Complaint.**

If your Election of Rights form or request for hearing is not filed with the Clerk of the Commission within 21 days of the day you received the Administrative Complaint, you will have waived your right to contest the proposed agency action and a Final Order will be issued imposing the proposed agency action set forth in the Administrative Complaint.

Please use this form unless you, your attorney, or your representative prefer to reply according to chapter 120, Florida Statutes, and chapter 28.106 of the Florida Administrative Code.

Please return your Election of Rights form to this address:

Florida Gaming Control Commission
Attention: Clerk of the Commission
4070 Esplanade Way, Suite 250, Tallahassee, FL 32399
Telephone: (850) 794-8067 Fax: (850) 536-8709
Email: clerk@flgaming.gov

PLEASE CHECK ONLY ONE OF THE THREE OPTIONS.

Option One (1) **I do not dispute the allegations** of material fact in the Administrative Complaint and wish to be heard at an informal proceeding pursuant to section 120.57(2), Florida Statutes, where I may submit testimony and written evidence to the Commission to show that the proposed agency action is too severe or that the sanction should be reduced.

Option Two (2) **I do dispute the allegations** of material fact in the Administrative Complaint and I request a formal hearing pursuant to Section 120.57(1) before an Administrative Law Judge of the Division of Administrative Hearings (“DOAH”). **I specifically dispute the following facts in the Administrative Complaint** (attach extra pages or write on the back if needed):

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In addition to the above election for formal hearing, check the box below if you wish to enter into settlement negotiations and waive the 15-day requirement for this matter to be referred to DOAH:

Section 120.569(2)(a), Florida Statutes, requires the Commission to send this case to DOAH for a formal hearing within 15 days after receiving your Election of Rights. I am interested in settling this case and waive the 15-day requirement.

Option Three (3) **I do not dispute the allegations** of material fact in the Administrative Complaint and **waive my right** to object and to have a hearing. I understand that by giving up the right to object and have a hearing, a Final Order will be issued that adopts the allegations of fact and conclusions of law alleged in the Administrative Complaint and imposes the Commission action set forth in the Administrative Complaint.

THIS IS A LEGALLY BINDING DOCUMENT. SEEK LEGAL ADVICE BEFORE SIGNING IF YOU DO NOT FULLY UNDERSTAND THE TERMS.

PRINTED NAME

ATTORNEY OR QUALIFIED REPRESENTATIVE

Street Address

Street Address (where service shall be made)

City State Zip

City State Zip

Telephone Number Facsimile Number (if any)
Number (if any)

Telephone Number Facsimile

E-mail

E-mail

SIGNATURE

YOU MUST LET THE COMMISSION KNOW IF YOUR E-MAIL OR MAILING ADDRESS CHANGES



Florida Gaming Control Commission

JULIE I. BROWN, VICE CHAIR
CHUCK DRAGO, COMMISSIONER
JOHN D'AQUILA, COMMISSIONER
TINA REPP, COMMISSIONER

May 12, 2025

Stanko Bogovich
522 McIntosh Road
Ormond Beach, Florida 32174

Case No.: **2024-064428**
Subject: **SERVICE OF ADMINISTRATIVE COMPLAINT**

Dear Mr./Ms. Bogovich:

This is to inform you that probable cause has been found to believe that you violated certain provisions of the Florida Statutes. The Administrative Complaint enclosed with this letter contains the formal charges filed against you along with an Election of Rights Form. Receipt of these documents constitutes legal service upon you. The options available to you under Florida law are as follows:

- (a) Dispute the material facts alleged and request a hearing before an administrative law judge with the Division of Administrative Hearings
- (b) Choose not to dispute the material facts alleged, and request a hearing before the Commission, who will only hear evidence regarding the conclusions of law and the penalty for violations; or
- (c) Waive your right to either type of hearing and put yourself completely at the Commission's discretion.

Please be advised, pursuant to section 120.573, Florida Statutes, that mediation is not available for this type of agency action. You must respond by selecting one of the options on the enclosed Election of Rights Form. The executed Election of Rights form **must be received in this office within 21 days of your receipt of this letter**. Failure to respond within the 21-day period constitutes a waiver of the rights outlined above, and the Commission shall proceed against you by default. Prior oral or written submissions to the Commission regarding this matter **will not** be considered responsive to this Administrative Complaint. Regardless of your prior communication(s) with the Commission, it is required that you respond to the Administrative Complaint by selecting one of the options on the enclosed Election of Rights Form.

Sincerely,

/s/ Justin Hundersmarck
Justin Hundersmarck
Senior Attorney
850-794-8063

Enclosures: Administrative Complaint and Election of Rights Form

Observer

EXHIBIT
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ORMOND BEACH OBSERVER

Published Weekly
ORMOND BEACH, VOLUSIA COUNTY, FLORIDA

STATE OF FLORIDA COUNTY OF VOLUSIA

Before the undersigned authority personally appeared Brandon Bressner, who under oath says he is a registered representative of *Ormond Beach Observer*, a weekly newspaper published in Ormond Beach, Volusia County, Florida, that the attached copy of advertisement, being a legal notice in the matter of:

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in the Circuit Court, was published in said newspaper in the issues of
Dec. 18, 25, 2025; Jan. 1, 8, 2026

Affiant further says that the said *Ormond Beach Observer* is a newspaper published at Ormond Beach, in said Volusia County, Florida, and that the said newspaper has heretofore been continuously published in said Volusia County, Florida, each week and has been entered as periodical matter at the post office in Ormond Beach in said Volusia County, Florida, for a period of 1 year next preceding the first publication of the attached copy of advertisement; and affiant further says that he has neither paid nor promised any person, firm or corporation any discount, rebate, commission or refund for the purpose of securing this advertisement for publication in the said newspaper.



Signature of Affiant

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 8th day of January 2026.



Signature of Notary

Personally known X or produced identification

Type of identification produced

Name of Notary typed printed or stamped

NOTICE OF ACTION
BEFORE THE DIVISION OF PARI-
MUTUEL WAGERING
IN RE: Sections 550.0251(6), and
551.112, Florida Statutes.
STANKO BOGOVICH
622 McIntosh Road
Ormond Beach, Florida 32174
CASE NO.: 2024-064428
LICENSE NO.: N/A

The Florida Gaming Control Commission has filed an Administrative Complaint against you, a copy of which may be obtained by contacting Ebonie Lanier, Administrative Assistant III, Office of the General Counsel, Florida Gaming Control Commission, 4070 Esplanade Way, Suite 250, Tallahassee, FL 32399, (850) 794-8072.

If no contact has been made by you concerning the above by Friday, January 16, 2026, the matter of the Administrative Complaint will be presented to the Florida Gaming Control Commission at the next public meeting for final agency action.

In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, persons needing special accommodation to participate in this proceeding should contact the individual or agency sending notice no later than seven days prior to the proceeding at the address given on notice. Telephone: (850) 257-6097; 1-800-955-8771 (TDD) or 1-800-955-8770 (v), via Florida Relay Service.

7764-329771
Dec. 18. 25. 2025





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AFFIDAVIT OF SERVICE OR DILIGENT SEARCH

COMES NOW, the Affiant, an employee of the Florida Gaming Control Commission, Division of Pari-Mutuel Wagering, State of Florida, who first being duly sworn, deposes and states:

On (date) JUNE 5, 2025, Affiant made a diligent effort to locate Respondent, to serve: License Denial; Administrative Complaint and related papers; Subpoena(s); Final order; ESO and related papers; (other) .

(PLEASE CHECK APPLICABLE ANSWER)

 Affiant made personal service on Respondent, on (date), , at (location) .

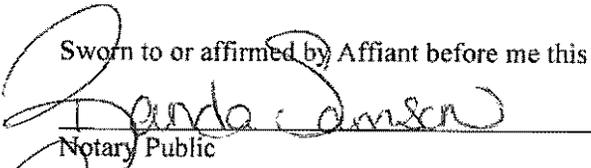
Affiant was unable to make service after searching for Respondent at (a) all addresses for Respondent shown in the F.G.C.C. investigation of the case; (b) all official addresses for Respondent shown in his/her licensing records of the Division of Pari-Mutuel Wagering; (c) any others:


Signature of Affiant

STATE OF Florida
COUNTY OF St. Johns

Before me, appeared C. Derek Washington; who is personally known to me or whose identity I proved on the basis of ; and who acknowledges that his/her signature appears above.

Sworn to or affirmed by Affiant before me this 18th day of June 2025.


Notary Public

RANDA SAMSON
Type or Print Name



RANDA SAMSON
Commission # HH 319852
Expires November 1, 2026