

**ORDER 2026-096
IN RE SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT**

**AMERISTAR CASINO EAST CHICAGO, LLC
26-AS-02**

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



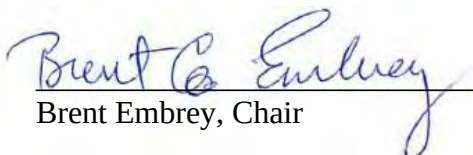
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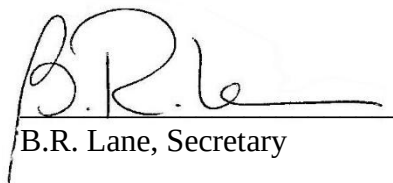
the proposed terms of the Settlement Agreement.

IT IS SO ORDERED THIS THE 24th DAY OF SEPTEMBER, 2026.

THE INDIANA GAMING COMMISSION:


Brent Embrey, Chair

ATTEST:


B.R. Lane, Secretary

**STATE OF INDIANA
INDIANA GAMING COMMISSION**

IN RE THE MATTER OF:	)	
	)	SETTLEMENT
Ameristar Casino East Chicago, LLC	)	26-AS-02
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SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT

The Indiana Gaming Commission ("Commission") by and through its Executive Director Joe B. Hoage and Ameristar Casino East Chicago ("Ameristar East Chicago"), (collectively, the "Parties") desire to settle this matter prior to the initiation of a disciplinary proceeding pursuant to 68 IAC 13-1-18(a). The Parties stipulate and agree to the following:

FINDINGS OF FACT

1. IC 4-33-9-12(a) provides a person who is less than twenty-one (21) years of age may not be present in the area of a riverboat where gambling is being conducted.
2. 68 IAC 1-11-1(c) provides a person under twenty-one (21) years of age shall not be present in a casino.
3. On June 9, 2026, patron was escorted to IGC office to enroll in the VEP program. Gaming Agent assisted with the process and enrolled patron. Patron's 21st birthday was the previous date. Ameristar Security Assistant Shift Manager later contacted Gaming Agent to state that he believed that patron had been on the casino floor prior to the previous date.
4. A review of Surveillance footage shows that patron, while a minor, entered the casino four times on June 7, 2026, using a fraudulent ID. Each time Veridocs failed the ID due to the photo not being authentic, incorrect driver's license number, incorrect date of birth and nonauthentic bar code. Each time Security allowed the patron to enter the casino. During his four visits on June 7, 2026, patron gamed and consumed a total of six alcoholic beverages.

TERMS AND CONDITIONS

Commission staff alleges that the acts or omissions of Ameristar East Chicago by and through its agents as described herein constitute a breach of IC 4-33, IC 4-35, and/or 68 IAC. The Commission and Ameristar East Chicago hereby agree to a monetary settlement of the alleged violations described herein in lieu of the Commission pursuing formal disciplinary action against Ameristar East Chicago.

Ameristar East Chicago shall pay to the Commission a total of \$3,000 in consideration for the Commission foregoing disciplinary action based on the facts

specifically described in 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.

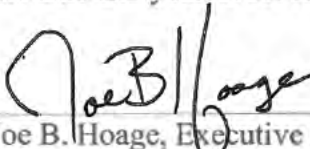
Upon execution and approval of this Agreement, Commission staff shall submit this Agreement to the Commission for review and final action. Upon approval of the Agreement by the Commission, Ameristar East Chicago agrees to promptly remit payment in the amount of \$3,000 and shall waive all rights to further 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 may be executed in multiple counterparts, each of which shall be deemed an original agreement and both of which shall constitute one and the same agreement. The counterparts of this Agreement may be executed and delivered by electronic mail, facsimile, or other electronic signature by either of the parties and the receiving party may rely on the receipt of such document so executed and delivered electronically as if the original had been received.

This Agreement shall be binding upon the Commission and Ameristar East Chicago.

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



Joe B. Hoage, Executive Director
Indiana Gaming Commission

9/16/2026

Date

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Tim Mauch,
Compliance Manager
Ameristar East Chicago

8-24-26

Date