17 Years of the Nevada Gaming Lawyer, 17 Years of Gratitude

Welcome to the 17th edition of Nevada Gaming Lawyer magazine. This publication is only possible due to the generosity of its advertisers and those who donate their time to contribute articles. We are so grateful to our supporters who have shared their time, expertise, and funding to support our educational and philanthropic efforts. There are far too many amazing people and organizations to name, but there are two folks we would like to mention given some recent changes.



First, we are honored to recognize one of the original gaming lawvers. Professor Tony Cabot. Not only has he had a long career in representing some of the largest licensees in the industry and authored a number of gaming statutes and regulations. but Tony also is a prolific writer on many trending areas in gaming regulation, a well-regarded speaker, and a founder of the Masters of Law (LL.M.) in Gaming Law and Regulation program at the UNLV William S. Boyd School of Law. In May 2023, he retired as the Distinguished Fellow of Gaming Law from the Boyd School of Law.

Tony has supported the Gaming Law Section ("GLS") over the years and is one of the original members of its Executive Committee ("Committee"). Among other contributions, Tony rejoined the Committee when the GLS was revived in 2000 after a being dormant for nearly a decade, authored articles for this magazine - and has done so again this year with the Foreword (page 4) and The Ethical Casino Company (page 43) – and spoke at many of the GLS' annual conferences. Thank you, Tony for all you have done for the GLS, the industry, the state, and the ongoing education of the next generation of gaming lawyers.

In the past year, the Committee has undergone some change. After 23 years, Lou Dorn decided not to seek reappointment. He was critical in helping to resurrect the GLS, writing articles, speaking at the annual conference, providing guidance in many areas, including the *Annual Law Scholarship Golf Tournament* (2001-2011), and serving as an editor for this publication over the years. His contributions are greatly appreciated and he leaves big shoes fill. If you would like to be considered for appointment to the Executive Committee, please email your resume or biographical statement to Judi De Marco, Diversity & Programs Manager and Liaison to the GLS at judid@nvbar.org.

The Committee also undertook the task of reviewing its bylaws regarding succession planning, legislative and policy matters, as well as law student membership. On May 26th, the Committee recommended changes that were approved by the Board of Governors. A copy of the bylaws is available at https://www.nvbar.org/ content/gaming-law-section.

The 2023 Gaming Law Conference will be held on Friday, November 17th. For more information, please see the ad on the inside back cover of this magazine. Online registration is available at nvbar.org/liveseminars.

Finally, if you are interested is writing an article for next year's magazine and/or being an advertiser. do not hesitate to contact Judi DeMarco. If you are interested in being a speaker at the 2024 Gaming Law Conference and/or being a sponsor, please reach out to Sonja Finley-Tratos, CLE Manager at sonjaf@nvbar.org or 702-382-2200. Happy reading.

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