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March 23, 2017

**FOR NEGOTIATION AND SETTLEMENT PURPOSES ONLY**

**VIA CERTIFIED MAIL**

Mr. Bill Simon  
Political Vine  
P.O. Box 71831  
Marietta, GA 30007-1831

Re: **Demand for Retraction and Notice to Cease and Desist Internet  
Defamation**

Dear Mr. Simon:

Please take note that our firm has been retained by Senator Brandon Beach to investigate and take legal action against you for the series of unwarranted and defamatory acts made against him by you on your website. Specifically, that website is [www.securecampaigner.com](http://www.securecampaigner.com) doing business as *Political Vine dot com*, [www.politicalvine.com](http://www.politicalvine.com).

Senator Brandon Beach has been a state senator since 2013. He has provided his constituency with outstanding and thoughtful representation. He conducts himself with the highest integrity, decorum, and abides by all the laws and rules that apply to his position of trust. Senator Beach has established a well-

founded reputation for his statesmanship, honesty, and constituent satisfaction. Your unwarranted postings and false statements that accuse Senator Beach of accepting bribes have damaged his reputation and adversely affected Senator Beach's work in the Georgia Senate and for the people he represents. A copy of those postings and referenced PDF are attached.

You have personally posted willfully false and misleading statements about Senator Beach. Examples of those statements include the follows:

- "Lesson to learn: When you bribe\* KEY legislators, be sure you do it fairly."
- "[L]ast Saturday's edition of the **Political Vine**, which provided a detailed account of who got how much in bribes\* from casino (via this compiled PDF report "2017 Casino Bribe\* Report."
- You state that Senator Beach has taken "\$7000" in "bribes";
- You state that Senator Beach pulled back his Casino Bill because other senators were not bribed enough.
- You specifically cite to the Georgia Bribery Statute, O.C.G.A. § 16-10-2, but omit its entire context. For example, part (a)(1) of that statute refers to "any benefit, reward, or consideration to which he or she is not entitled with the purpose of influencing him or her in the performance of any act related to the functions of his or her office or employment; or . . . ." By law, obviously, politicians may accept lawful political contributions and are thus legally "entitled" to accept such contributions.

Moreover, when you email the *Political Vine* to others, you caption it as follows, and notably omit your asterisk:

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**From:** Political Vine <[news@politicalvine.com](mailto:news@politicalvine.com)>  
**Date:** February 27, 2017 at 10:21:57 PM EST  
**To:**  
**Subject:** Rumors have it...Casino Bribes-UPDATE!...02--27-2017  
**Reply-To:** Political Vine <[reply\\_dduqib\\_hnicjqo@cp20.com](mailto:reply_dduqib_hnicjqo@cp20.com)>

Your statements and your implications that Senator Beach has taken or somehow condoned bribes are false, libelous *per se* and defamatory. Those accusations are malicious and unfounded in fact and in law. As you well know, political contributions are legal in Georgia, and politicians are entitled to accept contributions, so by definition they are not bribes. Your statements and attribution of bribes to Senator Beach are defamation *per se* because they depict our client as engaging in felonious behavior that violates Georgia law. Your use of the out-of-context "\*" does nothing to diminish your attribution of multiple felonies to Senator Beach. We suspect that your intent is for your readers to only see the word "bribe," which is why you used it twenty times in the defamatory online publication. The small asterisk, intentionally used by you to conflate unlawful bribes with lawful political contributions, in no way diminishes the defamatory nature of your statements.

You actively encourage receipt of and solicit defamatory statements from your readers. As a result of your repetitious use of the word "bribes" you have significant financial exposure to Senator Beach for each and every one of the defamatory statements made by your visitors. *Fair Housing Council of San Fernando Valley v. Roomates.com, LLC*, 489 F.3d 921 (9th Cir. 2007).

Your efforts to spread malicious, libelous, and defamatory material about Senator Beach have caused serious and irreparable injury to him, his reputation, and his work for his constituents. He will not stand by idly and allow this misconduct to continue.

We hereby demand that you:

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1. Immediately remove from any and all of your websites all defamatory and disparaging remarks regarding Senator Beach and “bribes” made by you or any visitors to your site.

2. Immediately cease and desist in publishing any defamatory statements about Senator Beach, whether the statements were made by you or published by any third parties;

3. Issue and immediate full and complete public retraction and remove any reference to the word “bribe” or “bribes.” The retraction must be sent to *every* email recipient of your defamatory email entitled: “**Rumors have it . . . Casino Bribes—Update!... 02-27-2017.**”

4. Compensate Senator Beach for his attorney’s fees and costs.

Note well that neither this law firm nor Senator Beach attempt to restrict rightful and legitimate free speech. The internet is an amazing tool and has changed the world. But like all tools, it must be used responsibly and fairly. Your false and unlawful attribution of a “bribe” to Senator Beach is neither responsible nor fair. They are unlawful and impinge upon Senator Beach’s rights for no other reason than you wish to be sensational and to smear his name.

You have until **March 30, 2017**, to comply with our four demands. If you do not comply, we will recommend that Senator Beach take legal action, and that he pursue all available legal and equitable remedies. Those would include all permitted by law, including compensatory and punitive damages, and attorney’s fees and costs that he incurs because of your defamatory actions.

Obviously, this is a serious matter. It requires your immediate attention. We recommend that you contact us after you have received this letter so that you can immediately address these very important issues. Our expectation is that this letter is the one and only pre-suit notice that we will give.

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Govern yourself accordingly.

Sincerely,

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Robert D. Cheeley

cc: Senator Brandon Beach  
Patrick A. Dawson, Esq.

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A dose of  
Political Caffeine . . .

*WITH NO SUGAR ADDED!*

### **Lesson to Learn: When you bribe\* KEY legislators, be sure you do it fairly**

**Rumors have it** that after publication of last Saturday's edition of the **Political Vine**, which provided a detailed account of who got how much money in bribes\* from casino interests (via this [compiled PDF Report](#)) some members of the **Senate Regulated Industries Committee** got **so POed** when they compared the amount of money **they** received compared to what **others** on the committee had received, **they** communicated to **Senator Brandon Beach** on Sunday that **they** were withdrawing their support for his bill until the casino-interests ponied-up some more cash into **their** campaign accounts.

**Which** explains why Beach yanked his bill back so early on Monday morning: [Georgia Casino bill dead for 2017](#)

So, who is on the Senate Regulated Industries Committee, and how much did each receive? Glad you asked as PV has compiled that info as well:

Jeffares, Rick-Chairman (Amount in bribes\*: \$1500)  
Ginn, Frank-Vice Chairman (Amount in bribes\*: \$1000)  
McKoon, Joshua-Secretary (Amount in bribes\*: \$0)  
Harbison, Ed- Ex-Officio (Amount in bribes\*: \$0)  
Shafer, David-Ex-Officio (Amount in bribes\*: \$6000)  
Unterman, Renee -Ex-Officio (Amount in bribes\*: \$0)  
Cowser, Bill-Member (Amount in bribes\*: \$0)  
Gooch, Steve-Member (Amount in bribes\*: \$5500)  
Henson, Steve-Member (Amount in bribes\*: \$4000)  
Hill, Jack-Member (Amount in bribes\*: \$0)  
Kennedy, John F.Member (Amount in bribes\*: \$0)  
Lucas, David-Member (Amount in bribes\*: \$0)

Miller, Butch-Member (Amount in bribes\*: \$2000)

Mullis, Jeff-Member (Amount in bribes\*: \$9000)

**PV Has A Question:** If 'Campaign Contributions' are NOT part of a bribery scheme, then, apparently, the law on the Georgia books that prohibits campaign contributions during the Legislative Session is a completely meaningless, unnecessary, and, quite possibly, an **unconstitutional law** that prohibits the free exercise of free speech, right?

Several years ago, the executives of the various Utility companies (read "regulated monopolies") in Georgia successfully sued the State to overturn the law that previously prohibited them from being able to contribute money to members of the Public Service Commission. Pretty sure they argued on the basis of such a law restricting their personal expression of free speech, did it not?

So...one wonders why the law remains in place that prohibits campaign contributions from being given to candidates during the Session? How would it be bribery (i.e., that **illegal** thing that exists under OCGA 16-10-2) if it happens **during** the Session, but magically becomes an **acceptable** thing outside the Session?

See, this is one of those things that demonstrates why Georgia **always** remains in the bottom-ten-percentile in education in this country...because of FUBAR logic like deciding that its only "wrong to bribe" someone if you are involved in **law-making at-the-moment**, but stuff as much down as you can before and after the Session, and it ain't bribery. (Want to know why the educated PV employs the word **ain't** in a discussion about OCGA? Because one has to be a complete, uneducated **dumbass** to think the way our Legislature thinks about things. That, or be a UGA grad. **Buuuut**...that may be being redundant...)

**AND**...perhaps the lobbying powerhouse firm of **Massey, Bowers, Watson, et al.** can take the lead plaintiff position on suing the State of Georgia to overturn the prohibition on giving contributions during the Session. That way, when one of these exposures happen, y'all can quickly make legislators feel awesome about supporting your sleaze-based legislation by dumping money into their campaign accounts when your bill is coming due for a vote, right?

**Side Note about MGM Resorts:** Did y'all notice anything semi-peculiar about the contributions MGM Resorts gave to the **Democratic Party of Georgia**? [On Page 3 of this compiled contributions](#) report, it shows three contributions from MGM Resorts to DPOG that total **\$57,500**. (No money was given by MGM Resorts to the Georgia Republican Party, by the way.)

Two of those contributions occurred **after** Democrat nominee **Hillary Clinton** was officially chosen. \$25,000 given on August 16, 2016, and \$25,000 given on November

30, 2016...both contributions being designated as being for the "**2016 General Election.**"

Golly, **why** would MGM Resorts be in favor of Hillary Clinton so much? Could it be that MGM Resorts is run by the kind of people who are of the same mindset as HRC and the rest of the Democrats are?

**Hmmm...**Amazing who **Brandon Beach** is **so** eager to snuggle-up to and roll around in the sheets with, isn't it? Yuck!

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\*A "bribe," according to [Merriam-Webster Dictionary](#) is:

"1) money or favor given or promised in order to influence the judgment or conduct of a person in a position of trust.

2) something that serves to induce or influence."

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### Publication Disclosure

The Political Vine was established on July 24, 2000 by Georgia Republican activist Bill Simon. All material contained herein (unless otherwise noted) is written by a commonsense political thinker whose agenda is to deliver researched facts, analysis, information, humor, and opinions in a satirical/sarcastic environment that is **far** different from any other news source you will come across.

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## 2017 Georgia Casino Bribe\* Report (See Last Page for \* Defined)

Data Source: [Ethics.Ga.Gov](http://Ethics.Ga.Gov) website

<i>Contribution Date</i>	<i>Casino Interest</i>	<i>City, State</i>	<i>Election</i>	<i>Election Year</i>	<i>CASH</i>	<i>In-Kind</i>	
<b>Abrams, Stacey Yvonne</b>							
10/29/2015	MGM Resorts	Las Vegas, Nevada	Primary	2016	\$2,000	\$0.00	
10/29/2015	MGM Resorts	Las Vegas, Nevada	General	2016	\$1,500	\$0.00	
11/1/2016	Boyd Gaming Corp	Las Vegas, Nevada	General	2016	\$1,000	\$0.00	
1/5/2017	Elite Casino Resorts	Riverside, Iowa	Primary	2018	\$1,000	\$0.00	
<b>Abrams, Stacey Yvonne</b>					<b>Total =</b>	<b>\$5,500</b>	<b>\$0</b>
<b>Beach, Brandon</b>							
10/9/2015	MGM Resorts	Las Vegas, Nevada	General	2016	\$2,000	\$0.00	
10/9/2015	MGM Resorts	Las Vegas, Nevada	Primary	2016	\$2,000	\$0.00	
5/23/2016	Boyd Gaming Corp	Las Vegas, Nevada	Primary	2016	\$2,000	\$0.00	
1/5/2017	Elite Casino Resorts	Riverside, Iowa	Primary	2018	\$1,000	\$0.00	
<b>Beach, Brandon</b>					<b>Total =</b>	<b>\$7,000</b>	<b>\$0</b>
<b>Benton, Thomas H.</b>							
12/23/2015	MGM Resorts	Las Vegas, Nevada	Primary	2016	\$1,000	\$0.00	
<b>Benton, Thomas H.</b>					<b>Total =</b>	<b>\$1,000</b>	<b>\$0</b>
<b>Beskin, Elizabeth A. (Beth)</b>							
11/17/2015	MGM Resorts	Las Vegas, Nevada	Primary	2016	\$750	\$0.00	
<b>Beskin, Elizabeth A. (Beth)</b>					<b>Total =</b>	<b>\$750</b>	<b>\$0</b>

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<b>Burke, Dean</b>						
1/5/2017	Elite Casino Resorts	Riverside, Iowa	Primary	2018	\$500	\$0.00
			<b>Burke, Dean</b>	<b>Total =</b>	<b>\$500</b>	<b>\$0</b>
<b>Burns, Jon G.</b>						
10/9/2015	MGM Resorts	Las Vegas, Nevada	General	2016	\$1,500	\$0.00
10/9/2015	MGM Resorts	Las Vegas, Nevada	Primary	2016	\$2,000	\$0.00
10/9/2015	MGM Resorts	Las Vegas, Nevada	Primary	2016	\$500	\$0.00
10/17/2016	Boyd Gaming Corp	Las Vegas, Nevada	General	2016	\$2,000	\$0.00
1/5/2017	Elite Casino Resorts	Riverside, Iowa	Primary	2018	\$500	\$0.00
			<b>Burns, Jon G.</b>	<b>Total =</b>	<b>\$6,500</b>	<b>\$0</b>
<b>Butler, John Mark</b>						
12/11/2015	MGM Resorts	Las Vegas, Nevada	Primary	2018	\$5,000	\$0.00
			<b>Butler, John Mark</b>	<b>Total =</b>	<b>\$5,000</b>	<b>\$0</b>
<b>Cagle, L.S. Casey</b>						
11/19/2015	MGM Resorts	Las Vegas, Nevada	General	2018	\$1,568	\$0.00
11/19/2015	MGM Resorts	Las Vegas, Nevada	Primary	2018	\$0	\$100.00
11/19/2015	MGM Resorts	Las Vegas, Nevada	General	2018	\$100	\$0.00
11/19/2015	MGM Resorts	Las Vegas, Nevada	Primary	2018	\$4,632	\$0.00
11/19/2015	MGM Resorts	Las Vegas, Nevada	Primary	2018	\$0	\$1,568.16
11/19/2015	MGM Resorts	Las Vegas, Nevada	General	2018	\$3,500	\$0.00
1/5/2017	Elite Casino Resorts	Riverside, Iowa	Primary	2018	\$2,500	\$0.00
			<b>Cagle, L.S. Casey</b>	<b>Total =</b>	<b>\$12,300</b>	<b>\$1,668</b>
<b>Carter, Amy Alexander</b>						
11/1/2015	MGM Resorts	Las Vegas, Nevada	Primary	2015	\$1,500	\$0.00
			<b>Carter, Amy Alexander</b>	<b>Total =</b>	<b>\$1,500</b>	<b>\$0</b>

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<b>Cheokas, Michael A.</b>						
11/10/2015	MGM Resorts	Las Vegas, Nevada	Primary	2016	\$500	\$0.00
				<b>Cheokas, Michael A.</b>	<b>Total =</b>	<b>\$500</b>
						<b>\$0</b>
<b>Coleman, Brooks P.</b>						
11/7/2015	MGM Resorts	Las Vegas, Nevada	Primary	2016	\$1,000	\$0.00
				<b>Coleman, Brooks P.</b>	<b>Total =</b>	<b>\$1,000</b>
						<b>\$0</b>
<b>Cooper, Sharon Meyer</b>						
12/8/2015	MGM Resorts	Las Vegas, Nevada	Primary	2016	\$1,500	\$0.00
				<b>Cooper, Sharon Meyer</b>	<b>Total =</b>	<b>\$1,500</b>
						<b>\$0</b>
<b>Democratic Party of Georgia</b>						
10/30/2015	MGM Resorts	Las Vegas, Nevada	General	2016	\$7,500	\$0.00
8/16/2016	MGM Resorts	Las Vegas, Nevada	General	2016	\$25,000	\$0.00
11/30/2016	MGM Resorts	Las Vegas, Nevada	General	2016	\$25,000	\$0.00
				<b>Democratic Party of Georgia</b>	<b>Total =</b>	<b>\$57,500</b>
						<b>\$0</b>
<b>Dollar, Matthew Kelly</b>						
12/22/2015	MGM Resorts	Las Vegas, Nevada	Primary	2016	\$500	\$0.00
				<b>Dollar, Matthew Kelly</b>	<b>Total =</b>	<b>\$500</b>
						<b>\$0</b>
<b>Douglas, Demetrius M</b>						
12/11/2015	MGM Resorts	Las Vegas, Nevada	Primary	2016	\$250	\$0.00
				<b>Douglas, Demetrius M</b>	<b>Total =</b>	<b>\$250</b>
						<b>\$0</b>

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<b>Georgia Coalition for Job Creation, Inc.</b>							
6/6/2016	MGM Resorts	Las Vegas, Nevada	Off Primary	2016	\$10,000	\$0.00	
				<b>Georgia Coalition for Job Creation, Inc.</b>	<b>Total =</b>	<b>\$10,000</b>	<b>\$0</b>
<b>Georgia House Republican Trust, Inc.</b>							
11/10/2015	MGM Resorts	Las Vegas, Nevada	Primary	2016	\$15,000	\$0.00	
10/24/2016	MGM Resorts	Las Vegas, Nevada	General	2016	\$25,000	\$0.00	
				<b>Georgia House Republican Trust, Inc.</b>	<b>Total =</b>	<b>\$40,000</b>	<b>\$0</b>
<b>georgia republican senatorial committee inc.</b>							
11/4/2015	MGM Resorts	Las Vegas, Nevada			\$15,000	\$0.00	
10/26/2016	MGM Resorts	Las Vegas, Nevada			\$15,000	\$0.00	
				<b>georgia republican senatorial committee inc.</b>	<b>Total =</b>	<b>\$30,000</b>	<b>\$0</b>
<b>Ginn, Franklin Joseph</b>							
10/2/2016	Boyd Gaming Corp	Las Vegas, Nevada	General	2016	\$500	\$0.00	
1/8/2017	Elite Casino Resorts	Riverside, Iowa	Primary	2018	\$500	\$0.00	
				<b>Ginn, Franklin Joseph</b>	<b>Total =</b>	<b>\$1,000</b>	<b>\$0</b>
<b>Gooch, Stephen Wade</b>							
11/2/2015	MGM Resorts	Las Vegas, Nevada	Primary	2016	\$2,000	\$0.00	
1/7/2016	MGM Resorts	Las Vegas, Nevada	General	2016	\$2,000	\$0.00	
10/12/2016	Boyd Gaming Corp	Las Vegas, Nevada	General	2016	\$1,000	\$0.00	
1/5/2017	Elite Casino Resorts	Riverside, Iowa	Primary	2018	\$500	\$0.00	
				<b>Gooch, Stephen Wade</b>	<b>Total =</b>	<b>\$5,500</b>	<b>\$0</b>

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<b>Gordon, Joseph Craig</b>						
10/15/2015	MGM Resorts	Las Vegas, Nevada	Primary	2016	\$250	\$0.00
				<b>Gordon, Joseph Craig</b>	<b>Total =</b>	<b>\$250</b>
<b>Greene, Gerald E.</b>						
10/22/2015	MGM Resorts	Las Vegas, Nevada	Primary	2016	\$1,500	\$0.00
				<b>Greene, Gerald E.</b>	<b>Total =</b>	<b>\$1,500</b>
<b>Harrell, Brett</b>						
12/22/2015	MGM Resorts	Las Vegas, Nevada	Primary	2016	\$1,500	\$0.00
1/5/2017	Elite Casino Resorts	Riverside, Iowa	Primary	2018	\$500	\$0.00
				<b>Harrell, Brett</b>	<b>Total =</b>	<b>\$2,000</b>
<b>Henson, Stephen B.</b>						
10/16/2015	MGM Resorts	Las Vegas, Nevada	Primary	2016	\$1,500	\$0.00
10/19/2015	MGM Resorts	Las Vegas, Nevada	General	2016	\$1,500	\$0.00
12/22/2016	Elite Casino Resorts	Riverside, Iowa	General	2016	\$1,000	\$0.00
				<b>Henson, Stephen B.</b>	<b>Total =</b>	<b>\$4,000</b>
<b>Hill, Hunter Bradley</b>						
10/10/2016	Boyd Gaming Corp	Las Vegas, Nevada	General	2016	\$500	\$0.00
				<b>Hill, Hunter Bradley</b>	<b>Total =</b>	<b>\$500</b>
<b>Houston, Lillian Penny</b>						
12/11/2015	MGM Resorts	Las Vegas, Nevada	Primary	2016	\$1,000	\$0.00
				<b>Houston, Lillian Penny</b>	<b>Total =</b>	<b>\$1,000</b>

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<b>Hugley, Carolyn F.</b>							
1/8/2016	MGM Resorts	Las Vegas, Nevada	Primary	2016	\$1,500	\$0.00	
				<b>Hugley, Carolyn F.</b>	<b>Total =</b>	<b>\$1,500</b>	<b>\$0</b>
<b>Jackson, Lester G.</b>							
12/11/2015	MGM Resorts	Las Vegas, Nevada	Primary	2016	\$500	\$0.00	
				<b>Jackson, Lester G.</b>	<b>Total =</b>	<b>\$500</b>	<b>\$0</b>
<b>Jeffares, Richard M</b>							
10/18/2016	Boyd Gaming Corp	Las Vegas, Nevada	General	2016	\$500	\$0.00	
1/6/2017	Elite Casino Resorts	Riverside, Iowa	General	2017	\$1,000	\$0.00	
				<b>Jeffares, Richard M</b>	<b>Total =</b>	<b>\$1,500</b>	<b>\$0</b>
<b>Jones, William Burton</b>							
10/30/2015	MGM Resorts	Las Vegas, Nevada	Primary	2016	\$1,000	\$0.00	
12/29/2015	MGM Resorts	Las Vegas, Nevada	Primary	2016	\$1,000	\$0.00	
12/30/2015	MGM Resorts	Las Vegas, Nevada	Primary	2016	\$2,500	\$0.00	
12/30/2015	MGM Resorts	Las Vegas, Nevada	Primary	2016	\$2,500	\$0.00	
10/11/2016	Boyd Gaming Corp	, Nevada	General	2016	\$500	\$0.00	
11/23/2016	Boyd Gaming Corp	Las Vegas, Nevada	Primary	2018	\$1,000	\$0.00	
1/4/2017	Elite Casino Resorts	Riverside, Iowa	Primary	2018	\$1,000	\$0.00	
				<b>Jones, William Burton</b>	<b>Total =</b>	<b>\$9,500</b>	<b>\$0</b>
<b>Kelley, Othel Doyle</b>							
12/23/2015	MGM Resorts	Las Vegas, Nevada	Primary	2016	\$500	\$0.00	
				<b>Kelley, Othel Doyle</b>	<b>Total =</b>	<b>\$500</b>	<b>\$0</b>

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<b>Kirby, Lester Thomas</b>						
12/11/2015	MGM Resorts	Las Vegas, Nevada	Primary	2016	\$500	\$0.00
				<b>Kirby, Lester Thomas</b>	<b>Total =</b>	<b>\$500</b>
						<b>\$0</b>
<b>Martin, Charles E.</b>						
11/14/2016	Boyd Gaming Corp	Las Vegas, Nevada	Primary	2018	\$500	\$0.00
				<b>Martin, Charles E.</b>	<b>Total =</b>	<b>\$500</b>
						<b>\$0</b>
<b>Maxwell, Howard R.</b>						
11/22/2015	MGM Resorts	Las Vegas, Nevada	Primary	2016	\$2,000	\$0.00
11/22/2015	MGM Resorts	Las Vegas, Nevada	General	2016	\$1,000	\$0.00
5/19/2016	Boyd Gaming Corp	Las Vegas, Nevada	Primary	2016	\$2,000	\$0.00
1/5/2017	Elite Casino Resorts	Riverside, Iowa	Primary	2018	\$1,000	\$0.00
				<b>Maxwell, Howard R.</b>	<b>Total =</b>	<b>\$6,000</b>
						<b>\$0</b>
<b>Mayo, Rahn</b>						
12/11/2015	MGM Resorts	Las Vegas, Nevada	Primary	2016	\$250	\$0.00
3/30/2016	MGM Resorts	Las Vegas, Nevada	Primary	2016	\$250	\$0.00
				<b>Mayo, Rahn</b>	<b>Total =</b>	<b>\$500</b>
						<b>\$0</b>
<b>McClain, Dewey Loren</b>						
12/24/2015	MGM Resorts	Las Vegas, Nevada	Primary	2016	\$250	\$0.00
				<b>McClain, Dewey Loren</b>	<b>Total =</b>	<b>\$250</b>
						<b>\$0</b>
<b>Meadows, John D.</b>						
10/3/2016	Boyd Gaming Corp	Las Vegas, Nevada	General	2016	\$1,000	\$0.00
				<b>Meadows, John D.</b>	<b>Total =</b>	<b>\$1,000</b>
						<b>\$0</b>

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<b>Miller, Cecil Terrell (Butch)</b>							
12/7/2015	MGM Resorts	Las Vegas, Nevada	Primary	2016	\$1,500	\$0.00	
10/17/2016	Boyd Gaming Corp	Las Vegas, Nevada	General	2016	\$500	\$0.00	
				<b>Miller, Cecil Terrell (Butch)</b>	<b>Total =</b>	<b>\$2,000</b>	<b>\$0</b>
<b>Mitchell, Billy</b>							
9/30/2016	Boyd Gaming Corp	Las Vegas, Nevada	General	2016	\$500	\$0.00	
				<b>Mitchell, Billy</b>	<b>Total =</b>	<b>\$500</b>	<b>\$0</b>
<b>Mullis, Jeff E.</b>							
10/9/2015	MGM Resorts	Las Vegas, Nevada	Primary	2016	\$2,000	\$0.00	
10/9/2015	MGM Resorts	Las Vegas, Nevada	General	2016	\$2,000	\$0.00	
6/3/2016	Boyd Gaming Corp	Las Vegas, Nevada	General	2016	\$2,000	\$0.00	
6/30/2016	Boyd Gaming Corp	Las Vegas, Nevada	General	2016	\$2,000	\$0.00	
12/28/2016	Elite Casino Resorts	Riverside, Iowa	Primary	2018	\$1,000	\$0.00	
				<b>Mullis, Jeff E.</b>	<b>Total =</b>	<b>\$9,000</b>	<b>\$0</b>
<b>Parent, Elena Catherine</b>							
1/7/2016	MGM Resorts	Las Vegas, Nevada	Primary	2016	\$1,250	\$0.00	
				<b>Parent, Elena Catherine</b>	<b>Total =</b>	<b>\$1,250</b>	<b>\$0</b>
<b>Powell, Alfred Jay J.</b>							
12/22/2015	MGM Resorts	Las Vegas, Nevada	Primary	2016	\$1,750	\$0.00	
1/6/2017	Elite Casino Resorts	Riverside, Iowa	Primary	2018	\$500	\$0.00	
				<b>Powell, Alfred Jay J.</b>	<b>Total =</b>	<b>\$2,250</b>	<b>\$0</b>



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<b>Prince, Brian</b>						
12/25/2015	MGM Resorts	Las Vegas, Nevada	Primary	2016	\$250	\$0.00
10/5/2016	Boyd Gaming Corp	Las Vegas, Nevada	General	2016	\$500	\$0.00
			<b>Prince, Brian</b>	<b>Total =</b>	<b>\$750</b>	<b>\$0</b>
<b>Ralston, David</b>						
10/23/2015	MGM Resorts	Las Vegas, Nevada	Primary	2016	\$2,500	\$0.00
10/23/2015	MGM Resorts	Las Vegas, Nevada	General	2016	\$2,500	\$0.00
5/18/2016	Boyd Gaming Corp	Las Vegas, Nevada	Primary	2016	\$2,000	\$0.00
1/4/2017	Elite Casino Resorts	Riverside, Iowa	Primary	2018	\$2,500	\$0.00
			<b>Ralston, David</b>	<b>Total =</b>	<b>\$9,500</b>	<b>\$0</b>
<b>Ramsey, Matthew Lee</b>						
12/8/2015	MGM Resorts	Las Vegas, Nevada	Primary	2016	\$1,500	\$0.00
12/8/2015	MGM Resorts	Las Vegas, Nevada	Primary	2016	\$1,000	\$0.00
12/8/2015	MGM Resorts	Las Vegas, Nevada	General	2016	\$500	\$0.00
			<b>Ramsey, Matthew Lee</b>	<b>Total =</b>	<b>\$3,000</b>	<b>\$0</b>
<b>Rogers, Terry</b>						
10/16/2015	MGM Resorts	Las Vegas, Nevada	Primary	2016	\$750	\$0.00
			<b>Rogers, Terry</b>	<b>Total =</b>	<b>\$750</b>	<b>\$0</b>
<b>Shafer, David J.</b>						
1/7/2016	MGM Resorts	Las Vegas, Nevada	Primary	2016	\$2,500	\$0.00
1/7/2016	MGM Resorts	Las Vegas, Nevada	General	2016	\$2,500	\$0.00
1/5/2017	Elite Casino Resorts	Riverside, Iowa	Primary	2018	\$1,000	\$0.00
			<b>Shafer, David J.</b>	<b>Total =</b>	<b>\$6,000</b>	<b>\$0</b>

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<b>Shaw, James Slaton</b>							
11/13/2015	MGM Resorts	Las Vegas, Nevada	General	2016	\$500	\$0.00	
11/13/2015	MGM Resorts	Las Vegas, Nevada	Primary	2016	\$2,500	\$0.00	
				<b>Shaw, James Slaton</b>	<b>Total =</b>	<b>\$3,000</b>	<b>\$0</b>
<b>Smyre, Calvin</b>							
9/29/2016	Boyd Gaming Corp	Las Vegas, Nevada	General	2016	\$500	\$0.00	
				<b>Smyre, Calvin</b>	<b>Total =</b>	<b>\$500</b>	<b>\$0</b>
<b>Stephens, James Ronald</b>							
1/4/2016	MGM Resorts	Las Vegas, Nevada	Primary	2016	\$2,000	\$0.00	
1/4/2016	MGM Resorts	Las Vegas, Nevada	Primary	2016	\$2,000	\$0.00	
10/4/2016	Boyd Gaming Corp	Las Vegas, Nevada	General	2016	\$1,000	\$0.00	
1/6/2017	Elite Casino Resorts	Riverside, Iowa	General	2018	\$1,000	\$0.00	
				<b>Stephens, James Ronald</b>	<b>Total =</b>	<b>\$6,000</b>	<b>\$0</b>
<b>Stone, Jesse C.</b>							
10/3/2016	Boyd Gaming Corp	Las Vegas, Nevada	General	2016	\$500	\$0.00	
				<b>Stone, Jesse C.</b>	<b>Total =</b>	<b>\$500</b>	<b>\$0</b>
<b>Stovall, Valencia</b>							
1/4/2016	MGM Resorts	Las Vegas, Nevada	Primary	2016	\$250	\$0.00	
				<b>Stovall, Valencia</b>	<b>Total =</b>	<b>\$250</b>	<b>\$0</b>
<b>Tate, Horacena</b>							
1/7/2017	Elite Casino Resorts	Riverside, Iowa	General	2016	\$500	\$0.00	
				<b>Tate, Horacena</b>	<b>Total =</b>	<b>\$500</b>	<b>\$0</b>

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<b>Watson, Benjamin Luther</b>						
10/26/2015	MGM Resorts	Las Vegas, Nevada	Primary	2016	\$1,000	\$0.00
12/29/2015	MGM Resorts	Las Vegas, Nevada	Primary	2016	\$1,000	\$0.00
				<i>Watson, Benjamin Luther</i>	<i>Total =</i>	
					<b>\$2,000</b>	<b>\$0</b>

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- 1) money or favor given or promised in order to influence the judgment or conduct of a person in a position of trust.
- 2) something that serves to induce or influence.