



STATE OF WASHINGTON
GAMBLING COMMISSION

"Protect the Public by Ensuring that Gambling is Legal and Honest"

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Sent via email to: AndyMcafee@msn.com

Abate of Washington
Andy McAfee, President
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Puyallup, WA 98419

Re: 00-13315

Dear Mr. McAfee:

During a review of documents by one of our Special Agents it was determined that Abate of Washington's gambling license was issued in error and that Abate does not qualify as a bona fide charitable or nonprofit organization (for purposes of gambling) under RCW 9.46.0209.

RCW 9.49.0209 outlines what nonprofits can conduct gambling in Washington. Abate of Washington is a 501C4 nonprofit organization but does not meet the definition of nonprofits that are eligible for a gambling license. Section (1)(ii) of this RCW states, *"The fact that contributions to an organization do not qualify for charitable contribution deduction purposes or that the organization is not otherwise exempt from payment of federal income taxes pursuant to the internal revenue code of 1954, as amended, shall constitute prima facie evidence that the organization is not a bona fide charitable or nonprofit organization for the purposes of this section."*

We are going to start administrative action against your license. We have discussed possible remedies with you, if you can get Abate of Washington to qualify in accordance with RCW 9.46.0209, we will cease action against your license.

Please continue to communicate with me on your progress to qualify. If you have any questions, please contact me at (360) 486-3592 or e-mail at Tyson.Wilson@wsgc.wa.gov.

Sincerely,

Tyson Wilson, CFE
Special Agent Supervisor
Licensing, Regulation and Enforcement

