# TINIAN CASINO GAMING CONTROL COMMISSION

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#### **ABOUT US**

The Tinian Casino Gaming Control Commission (TCGCC), is a regulatory agency established by the Revised Tinian Gaming Act of 1989 (Revised Gaming Act), that permits casino gambling on the island of Tinian and authorizes TCGCC to regulate the conduct of gaming operations and assist the development of the industry.

The TCGCC has the general responsibility for the implementation of the Revised Gaming Act, in order to ensure the adherence to the standards and guidelines set forth in our Mission Statement.

#### MISSION STATEMENT

The Tinian Casino Gaming Control Commission was established under the Revised Tinian Casino Gaming Act of 1989 to guard the integrity of the casino gaming industry in the Municipality of Tinian and Aguiguan.

TCGCC's mission is to protect the public interest by maintaining a legitimate and viable industry and ensuring the integrity of each licensee that is privileged to participate therein. The Commission performs this mission through enforcement of the Revised Tinian Casino Gaming Control Act, which mandates a regulated and economically sound industry. Enforcement activities include licensing, investigation, inspection, collection of revenue, and auditing activities to certify revenue.







#### COMMISSION

Charlene M. Lizama
CHAIRMAN

James M. Mendiola
VICE CHAIRMAN

Antonio SN. Borja

COMMISSIONER

Donald M. Hofschneider ACTING EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

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### HIGHLIGHTS

#### TINIAN DIAMOND CASINO

December 22, 2020, Inspector Gerald Mundo conducted an inspection on the arrival of aamina equipment to be used at the Tinian Diamond Casino.

On May 5 and July 7, 2021, the Commissioners of the Tinian Casino Gaming Control Commission along with its staff were brought on a tour to showcase Bridge Investment Group, LLC's progress of the Tinian Diamond Casino Building Site.

# TCGCC BIDS FAREWELL TO CHAIRMAN

On January 8, 2021, Patrick H. San Nicolas ended his term as a member of the Gaming Commission. For his exemplary services, former Chairman San Nicolas was presented with a Certificate of Recognition plague. The Chairmanship was then passed unto Vice Chairman Charlene M. Lizama and the Vice Chairmanship to Commisioner James M. Mendiola.

# APPOINTMENT & CONFIRMATION OF NEW COMMISSION MEMBER

Mr. Antonio SN. Borja was appointed by the Honorable Mayor Edwin P. Aldan of the Municipality of Tinian and Aguiguan and was confirmed by the 18th Tinian Municipal Council on June 24, 2021 to serve as a Commissioner for Tinian Casino Gaming Control Commission. Commissioner Borja brings in an extensive background in law enforcement and is also known for his exceptional leadership by serving as a former Chairman of the Tinian Municipal Council, and serving as a former Congressman for the Second Senatorial District.

#### **IMPORTANT EVENTS**

- TINIAN LOCAL LAW 21-09 passed on March 30. 2020
  - To adopt and enact the Revised Tinian Casino Gaming Control Act of 1989 as approved and adopted by the CNMI Superior Court in CNMI v. Tinian Casino Gaming Control Commission, et al., Civil Action No. 91-690 (Aug. 18, 1993)
- TINIAN LOCAL LAW 21-16 passed on Februray 05, 2021
  - o To amend 10 CMC § 2521(a) and (g), as established by Tinian Local Law 21-09 to clarify a commissioner's term in office and to change the compensation of the members of the Tinian Casino Gaming Control Commission
- REINSTATEMENT OF TCGCC STAFF on March 29, 2021











### HIGHLIGHTS

#### LAW ENFORCEMENT MONTH

On May 13, 2021, the Honorable Mayor Edwin P. Aldan of the Municipality of Tinian and Aguiguan signed a Proclamation that the Month of May is recognized as Combined Law Enforcement Agency (CLEA) Month.

In celebration to honor all those who have served and continue to serve as law enforcers, the TCGCC staff participated in the following events: a Thanksgiving mass, a roadside waving, a motorcade, a trash-a-thon, and a banquet which were all organized by the CLEA committee.

#### LABOR DAY

In celebration of Labor Day, the TCGCC staff participated in the Labor Day Festivities sponsored by the Tinian Mayor's Office on September 3, 2021.

# INTERNATIONAL COASTAL CLEANUP

On September 17, 2021, the TCGCC staff also participated in the International Coastal Cleanup where they collected and documented the debris and litter that were found on the coastlines and waterways along Taga Beach and Tachogna Beach.

# **FINANCES**

- TINIAN LOCAL LAW 21-15 passed on January 27, 2021
  - To make limited appropriations for personnel and operations of the Tinian Casino Gaming Control Commission, the Office of the Mayor of Tinian, the Tinian Municipal Council and the Tinian Municipal Treasury for Fiscal Year 2021 pursuant to 10 CMC § 2581 [Tinian Local Law 21-9] and 1 CMC § 1405(a) [Public 11-17].
  - Local Funds Available for Appropriation for Fiscal Year 2021: \$502,288.35
    - \$500,000.00 Casino License Fee Collected by TCGCC
    - \$2,000.00 Casino Service Industry License Fee Collected TCGCC
    - **\$83.03** Lapses from FY 2020
  - For more details on TLL 21-15, please visit *cnmilaw.org*

EXPENDITURES	
Personnel	\$ 132,932.00
All Others	\$ 54,097.92
Total	\$187,029.92

All Others 29%

> Personnel 71%

## **OBJECTIVES**

- Protect the integrity of the casino gaming industry in the jurisdiction of the Municipality of Tinian and Aguiguan
- Maintain a legitamite and viable industry
- Regulate casino gaming operations
- Ensure compliance of internal controls, rules and regulations, and all applicable laws
- Provide training for the TCGCC staff
- Obtain professional consultants for casino operations and enforcements

### FUTURE ENDEAVORS

- Grand opening of casino operations of the Bridge Investment Group's Tinian Diamond Casino
- Launching of internet gaming operations
- Collection of local revenue for the Municipality of Tinian and Aguiguan
- Acquisition of basic and state-of-the-art equipment for the agency
- Launching of an offical website
- To be competitive with other gaming jurisdictions in the region

