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On May 30, 2012 the Cuyahoga County Prosecutor Bill Mason sent Amicus and all other Cuyahoga County “sweepstake” operators a cease and desist letter threatening imminent criminal prosecution under O.R.C. Section 2915.02(A)(2) should they continue to operate (Relator’s petition at pg.7). O.R.C. 2915 is Ohio’s Gambling statute – a statute significantly amended, revised and clarified via the 129th Ohio General Assembly’s passage of HB 386 on May 24, 2012 effective upon the Governor’s signature on June 11, 2012. It is this threat of criminal prosecution and demand to cease operations that is the subject matter of *J&C Marketing v. Mason*.

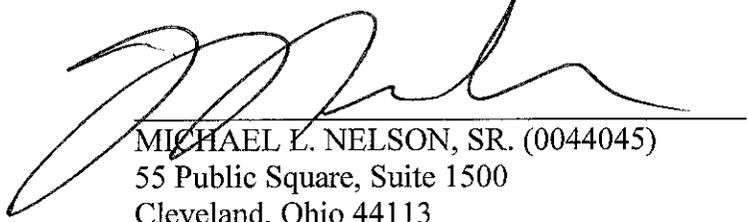
On June 25, 2012 Respondent granted Plaintiffs’ – including Amicus’ - requested TRO. A hearing date of August 27, 2012 was set for hearing on the Plaintiffs’ requested Preliminary Injunction and an expedited discovery schedule was ordered. On July 3, 2012, as noted above, Relator filed the above-captioned matter with this Court. On July 10, 2012, all parties involved reached an agreement regarding a stay in the Cuyahoga Court of Common Pleas and a stay was ordered and issued by Respondent pending the decision of this Court in this matter.

Based upon the above, Nova’s Internet Sweepstakes Café request leave of this Court to file an *Amicus Curiae Memorandum in Support of Respondent* in order to address issues of ultimate criminal and civil importance to the Amicus and similarly situated café owners who have heretofore legally invested in their communities by providing jobs, engaging in commerce, and paying taxes and licensing fees to municipalities pursuant to local ordinances specifically authorizing them to operate.

For these reasons, Nova’s Internet Sweepstakes Café respectfully requests that it be granted Leave to file a *Memorandum in Support of Respondent*. A proposed Order is also attached to this Motion for the convenience of the Court.

Respectfully Submitted,

NOVA'S INTERNET SWEEPSTAKES CAFÉ

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that a copy of the foregoing *Motion of Nova's Internet Sweepstakes Café For Leave to File Amicus Curiae Memorandum in Support of Respondent* was served by U.S.

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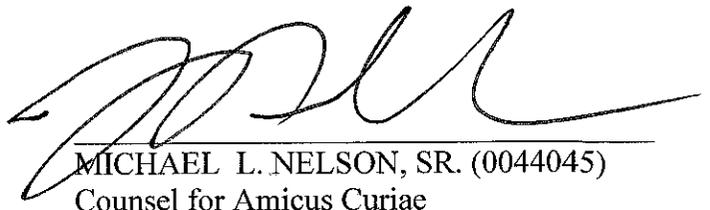
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