



Gaming

Overview

Adler Pollock & Sheehan has extensive gaming law experience. We have represented gaming industry clients in connection with the development, financing and operation of resort casinos as well as the development and operation of online gaming enterprises. Our lawyers have comprehensive and hands-on experience in all aspects of gaming law, including licensing, project development, financing, [intellectual property](#), compliance, [tax](#), securities, governmental investigations and other regulatory matters. As counsel to Rhode Island's largest gaming facility, the firm has a cutting-edge vantage point concerning trends in the gaming industry and the evolution of gaming law.

Areas of Concentration

- Licensing
- Project development
- Financing
- Intellectual property
- Compliance
- Tax
- Securities
- Governmental investigations and regulatory matters

Experience

- Represent the largest gaming facility in Rhode Island in labor and employment, corporate, real estate, regulatory and contractual matters.
- Successfully represented Rhode Island's largest gaming facility in collective bargaining negotiations with the various unions that represent its employees.
- Represented lender group in connection with refinancing of resort casino. Representation included advising the client on state gaming laws and regulations, creation and perfection of security interests in associated real property, personal property, licenses and securities. Assisted client in connection with interaction with relevant state gaming authorities.
- Represented a U.K.-based gaming company on various regulatory matters before the Rhode Island Department of Business Regulation

and defended the company in investigations by the U.S. Attorney's Office and DOJ. Successful in concluding the investigation without charges being pursued.

- Represented gaming facility in two federal court cases, defending the company on criminal charges of mail and wire fraud and commercial bribery.
- Successfully pursued a breach of a licensing agreement by a major lottery and gaming organization, including the successful pursuit of a multi-jurisdictional effort to collect royalties owed under the contract.
- Obtained a favorable settlement of a trademark dispute on behalf of a manufacturer whose mark had been misused in connection with multiple state lottery offerings.
- Represented a developer of software for online gaming. Advised client regarding entity formation, tax and regulatory issues and raising of capital.
- Representation of clients before municipal and state liquor licensing and entertainment licensing boards and bureaus.
- Representation of clients before state administrative, regulatory boards and agencies.
- Representation in premises liability, product liability and food/allergy/foodborne illness lawsuits.
- Provide risk analysis assessments for clients involved in entertainment/hospitality industry with recommendations for best practices.
- Conduct internal and external investigations for entertainment/hospitality clients concerning complaints, internal theft matters and security matters.