



Partner

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Areas of Practice

Gaming & Administrative Law

Bar Admissions

Nevada

Court Admissions

U.S. District Court, District of Nevada

U.S. Court of Appeals, Ninth Circuit

Supreme Court of California

U.S. District Court, Northern District of California

Education

J.D., Santa Clara University School of Law, 1981

B.S., Business Administration and Accounting, and History, Notre Dame de Namur University, summa cum laude, 1978

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Professional Background

Mr. Giordano served with the Nevada State Gaming Control Board from 1989 to 1993 as the Chief of the Corporate Securities Division. In that position, he oversaw licensing investigations, analysis and monitoring of publicly traded corporations associated with Nevada gaming licensees. These included mergers and acquisitions, public and private financings, and compliance activities of business operations of publicly traded corporations and their subsidiaries. He has also supervised the investigations for approvals and the subsequent monitoring of all gaming activities conducted outside the State of Nevada by Nevada gaming licensees.

Mr. Giordano is ranked in the Chambers USA Guide of leading lawyers in Gaming & Licensing Law in both categories of "Nevada" and "USA-Nationwide." Client references highlight that Mr. Giordano "has a valuable perspective on the practical realities of how investigations work and how to guide clients through the process." "Greg is very knowledgeable, and he has deep experience, good judgment and people skills."

Representative Engagements

- Served as Acting General Counsel and Compliance Officer for the SLS Las Vegas Hotel and Casino
- Represented buyer in obtaining state and local gaming regulatory approvals required in connection with the \$32 million acquisition of a major hotel/casino and its related financing
- Represented buyer in obtaining state and local gaming regulatory approvals required in connection with the \$5 million acquisition of a 50% interest in a small hotel/casino
- Represented buyer in the negotiation and purchase of a small casino for \$8 million and in obtaining state and local gaming regulatory approvals required in connection with its purchase
- Represented hotel/casino borrower in obtaining state gaming regulatory approvals required in connection with its new \$185 million loan to finance an expansion project
- Represented a Nevada publicly traded gaming company for Nevada gaming purposes in connection with two separate financing transactions involving both public offerings and private placements of its debt and equity securities, having a combined value of over \$2 billion
- Represented a consortium of noteholders for Nevada gaming purposes in connection with the default and workout of publicly registered notes issued by a Nevada gaming company

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- Represented underwriter for Nevada gaming purposes in connection with its underwriting of over \$2.4 billion of financing provided to finance the leveraged buyout of a Nevada publicly traded gaming company
- Represented a number of Nevada publicly traded gaming companies in obtaining state gaming regulatory approvals for delayed or continuous public offerings of securities
- Represented a number of institutional investors in obtaining waivers from the Nevada state gaming authorities of shareholder findings of suitability requirements in connection with their ownership of equity securities in Nevada publicly traded gaming companies
- Represented a private equity company in connection with its foreclosure and acquisition of a major hotel/casino
- Represented a private equity company in connection with the filing of applications required to obtain state and local gaming and liquor regulatory approvals necessary to acquire a majority equity interest in a major hotel/casino
- Represented bank/underwriter for Nevada gaming purposes in connection with its underwriting of a \$750 million bond offering by a publicly traded Nevada gaming company
- Represented a Nevada publicly traded gaming company for Nevada gaming purposes in connection with two separate joint venture agreements for the development of new hotel/casinos in the Las Vegas area
- Represented a publicly traded seller for Nevada gaming purposes in the \$2.1 billion sale of its hotel/casinos to a privately held company
- Represented Nevada publicly traded gaming company buyer in obtaining state and local gaming regulatory approvals required in connection with two separate, strategic acquisitions of other Nevada publicly traded gaming companies having a combined value of \$14.3 billion

International Gaming

- Represented an Asian-based private equity company in acquiring a Las Vegas resort/casino.
- Represented a Swiss company and a United Kingdom company in connection with their obtaining Nevada gaming licenses and regulatory approvals for each to operate casino-resorts in Nevada
- Represented a United Kingdom-based institutional investor in connection with it obtaining a waiver from the usual Nevada gaming finding of suitability requirements as a large shareholder of a publicly traded Nevada gaming company
- Represented a Canadian company in connection with its application for a finding of suitability as a large shareholder of a publicly traded Nevada gaming company
- Represents an Australian-headquartered manufacturer and distributor of gaming devices concerning various Nevada gaming regulatory and compliance matters
- Assisted in the representation of a Japanese manufacturer and distributor of gaming devices in connection with its Nevada gaming licensing and registration

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Additional Information

Speaking Engagements

- IMGL Spring Conference Panel Presentation, “Sports Betting: Lessons the USA Can Learn from Europe” – March 28, 2019
- 26th Executive Development Program, “Government, Regulation & Compliance Roundtable Panel,” – Nov. 16, 2016
- IMGL Autumn Conference Panel Presentation on AML in Europe, US and Asia in Dublin, Ireland – Oct. 25, 2016
- ABA 20th Annual Gaming Law Minefield Nat’l Institute Panel Presentation, “What is Gambling?” – Feb 22, 2016



Awards and Recognition

- *Chambers USA Guide* – Gaming & Licensing Law/Nevada and Gaming & Licensing Law/USA-Nationwide
- *The Best Lawyers in America*® – Gaming Law
- *Super Lawyers* – Gaming, Administrative Law



Professional Associations

- Chair, ABA Solo, Small Firm and General Practice Division – Gaming Law Committee

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