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July 27, 2024

#### CAPTION

In re: Three Pennsylvania Skill Amusement Devices, One Green Bank Bag Containing \$525.00 in U.S. Currency, and Seven Receipts

Petition of: Commonwe	ealth of Pennsylvania		
	CA	SE INFORMATION	
Initiating Document:	Petition for Allowance of Appea	al	
Case Status: Journal Number:	Closed		
Case Category:	Civil	Case Type(s):	Return Property
CC	ONSOLIDATED CASES		RELATED CASES
		Docket No / Reason	Туре
		10 EAP 2023 Similar Issues POM of PA v. Dept. of	Related Rev., et al., Apl. of: DOR
		11 EAP 2023 Similar Issues POM of PA v. Dept. of	Related Rev., et al., Apl of: PGCB
		12 EAP 2023 Similar Issues POM of PA v. Dept of	Related Rev, Apl of: Greenwood, et al
		29 EAP 2023 Similar Issues POM of PA, LLC v. PS	Related SP, Apl of: PA Gam. Control Bd.
		607 MAL 2023 Similar Issues In re: Four PA Skill Am	Related nusement (Commonwealth)
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	SUPREM	IE COURT INFORM	ATION		
Appeal From:					
Appeal Filed E	Below:				
Probable Juris	diction Noted:	Docketed I	Date:	January	3, 2024
Allocatur/Misc	ellaneous Granted:	Allocatur/N	liscellaneous	Docket No.:	
Allocatur/Misc	ellaneous Grant Order:				
	F	EE INFORMATION			
Fee Dt	Fee Name	Fee Amt	Receipt Dt	Receipt No	Receipt Am
01/02/2024	Petition for Allowance of Appeal Filed	90.25	01/03/2024	2024-SUP-M-000021	90.2
	INTERMEDIATE A	PPELLATE COURT	INFORMATIO	N	
Court Name:	Commonwealth	Docket Nu		707 CD 2023	
Date of Order:	November 30, 2023	•	on Disp Date: on Dispositior		
Judge(s):	Cohn Jubelirer, Renee	-	·		
U ( )	McCullough, Patricia A.				
	Wojcik, Michael H.				
	Fizzano Cannon, Christine				
	Ceisler, Ellen				
	Dumas, Lori A.				
	Wallace, Stacy				
Intermediate A	ppellate Court Action: Affirmed				
Referring Cou					



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	AGENCY/TRIAL CO	URT INFORMATION			
Court Below:	Dauphin County Court of Common Pleas				
County:	Dauphin Division: Dauphin County Civil Division				
Date of Agency/Trial Cou	rt Order: March 23, 2023				
Docket Number:	2022-CV-06333-MD				
Judge(s):	Dowling, Andrew H.	OTN:			
Order Type:	Order				
	ORIGINAL REC	ORD CONTENT			
Original Record Item		Filed Date	Content/Description		

#### **Record Remittal:**

DISPOSITION INFORMATION					
Related Journal No:		Judgment Date:			
Category:	Decided	Disposition Author:	Per Curiam		
Disposition:	Order Granting Petition for Allowance of Appeal	Disposition Date:	June 18, 2024		
Dispositional Filing:		Author:			

Filed Date:

	D	OCKET ENTRY			
Filed Date	Docket Entry / Representing	Participant Type	Filed By		
January 2, 2024	Petition for Allowance of Appeal				
		Petitioner	Commonwealth of Pennsylvania		
January 2, 2024	Reproduced Record				
		Petitioner	Commonwealth of Pennsylvania		
January 2, 2024	Amicus Brief In Support of Petition for Allowance of Appeal				
		Petitioner Amicus Curiae	Pennsylvania Gaming Control Board		
January 2, 2024	Amicus Brief In Support of Petit	ion for Allowance of Appeal			
		Petitioner Amicus Curiae	American Gaming Association		



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Docket Entry / Representing	Participant Type	Filed By
Amicus Brief In Support of Petiti	on for Allowance of Appeal	
	Petitioner Amicus Curiae	Greenwood Gaming and
		Entertainment, Inc., et al.
alf of:		
MING AND ENTERTAINMENT, IN	C., D/B/A PARX CASINO; C	GW CUMBERLAND OP CO., D/B/A
HIPPENSBURG; DOWNS RACIN	G, L.P., D/B/A MOHEGAN	SUN POCONO; MOUNTAINVIEW
RACING ASSOCIATION, LLC, D/B	A HOLLYWOOD CASINO AT	PENN NATIONAL RACE COURSE,
ASINO MORGANTOWN AND	HOLLYWOOD CASINO Y	ORK; WASHINGTON TROTTING
PHILADELPHIA CASINO & RACE	TRACK; WIND CREEK BETH	ILEHEM, LLC, D/B/A WIND CREEK
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HIA; and STADIUM CASINO WESTM	DRELAND RE, LLC D/B/A LIVE!	CASINO PITTSBURGH,
Answer to Petition for Allowance	e of Appeal	
	Respondent	Champions Sports Bar
	Respondent	Capital Vending Company, Inc.
Application for Leave to File Ami	icus Brief in Opposition to PAA	
Application for Leave to File Ami	Respondent Amicus	Shay's Vending Service of
	Docket Entry / Representing Amicus Brief In Support of Petiti alf of: MING AND ENTERTAINMENT, IN SHIPPENSBURG; DOWNS RACIN RACING ASSOCIATION, LLC, D/B ASINO MORGANTOWN AND C, D/B/A HOLLYWOOD CASINO PHILADELPHIA CASINO & RACE DINGS ACQUISITION CO. L.P. A RIVERS CASINO PHILADELPHIA TETTE, LLC D/B/A LADY LUCK HIA; and STADIUM CASINO WESTMO Answer to Petition for Allowance	Amicus Brief In Support of Petition for Allowance of Appeal Petitioner Amicus Curiae Alf of: MING AND ENTERTAINMENT, INC., D/B/A PARX CASINO; C SHIPPENSBURG; DOWNS RACING, L.P., D/B/A MOHEGAN RACING ASSOCIATION, LLC, D/B/A HOLLYWOOD CASINO AT ASINO MORGANTOWN AND HOLLYWOOD CASINO Y C, D/B/A HOLLYWOOD CASINO AT THE MEADOWS; CHES PHILADELPHIA CASINO & RACETRACK; WIND CREEK BETH DINGS ACQUISITION CO. L.P. D/B/A RIVERS CASINO F A RIVERS CASINO PHILADELPHIA; MOUNT AIRY #1, LLC D/B TETTE, LLC D/B/A LADY LUCK CASINO; STADIUM CASINO HIA; and STADIUM CASINO WESTMORELAND RE, LLC D/B/A LIVE! Answer to Petition for Allowance of Appeal Respondent Respondent

		Curiae	Lebanon, Inc.		
January 19, 2024	Application for Leave to File Amicus Brief in Opposition to PAA				
		Respondent Amicus Curiae	Republic Amusements and Dillon Amusements		
January 22, 2024	Amicus Brief In Opposition of P	etition for Allowance of Appea	I		
•		Respondent Amicus Curiae	G&B Amusements LLC		
January 24, 2024	No Answer Letter to Application for Leave to File Amicus Brief in Opposition to PAA				
		Respondent	Champions Sports Bar		
January 24, 2024	No Answer Letter to Application for Leave to File Amicus Brief in Opposition to PAA				
		Respondent	Capital Vending Company, Inc.		
January 26, 2024	Petition for Leave to Reply to Answer				
		Petitioner	Commonwealth of Pennsylvania		
January 31, 2024	Answer to Petition for Leave to Reply to Answer				
		Respondent	Capital Vending Company, Inc.		
February 1, 2024	No Answer Letter to the Applica	tions for Leave to File Amicus	Brief in Opposition to PAA		
		Petitioner	Commonwealth of Pennsylvania		



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June 18, 2024	Order Granting Petition for Allow	wance of Appeal		
			Per Curiam	

Comments:

AND NOW, this 18th day of June, 2024, the Petition for Allowance of Appeal is GRANTED. The issues, as stated by petitioner, are:

(1) Does an electronic slot machine cease to be an illegal "gambling device," governed predominantly by chance, if the machine's manufacturers embed into its programming a so-called "skill" element that is almost entirely hidden from view and is almost impossible to complete?

(2) Should gambling statutes governing "slot machines" be read in pari materia to supply an appropriate definition of the term?

Petitioner's Petition for Leave to Reply to Answer Opposing Allowance of Appeal is DENIED.

The Application of Proposed Amici Curiae Republic Amusements and Dillon Amusements for Leave to Submit Amicus Curiae Brief in Opposition to Petition for Allowance of Appeal is GRANTED.

The Application for Leave of Amicus Curiae Shay's Vending Service of Lebanon, Inc., to File an Answer to Petition for Allowance of Appeal of Commonwealth of Pennsylvania is GRANTED.

June 18, 2024	Order Exited	
		Office of the Prothonotary
June 18, 2024	Case was transferred to 50 MAP 2024	
		Office of the Prothonotary
Comments: Case was transferred to 50 MAP 2024		

CROSS COURT ACTIONS	
50 MAP 2024	
606 MDA 2023	
707 CD 2023	