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1. Name of conveying party(ies)/Execution Date(s):

Empress Casino Joliet Corporation

- Individual(s) Association
- General Partnership Limited Partnership
- Corporation-State Illinois
- Other _____

Citizenship (see guidelines) _____

Execution Date(s) July 7, 2004

Additional names of conveying parties attached? Yes No

3. Nature of conveyance:

- Assignment Merger
- Security Agreement Change of Name
- Other _____

2. Name and address of receiving party(ies)

Additional names, addresses, or citizenship attached? Yes No

Name: Argosy Gaming Company

Internal Address: _____

Address: _____

Street Address: 219 Piasa Street

City: Alton

State: Illinois

Country: US Zip: 62002

- Association Citizenship _____
- General Partnership Citizenship _____
- Limited Partnership Citizenship _____
- Corporation Citizenship Delaware
- Other _____ Citizenship _____

If assignee is not domiciled in the United States, a domestic representative designation is attached: Yes No
(Designations must be a separate document from assignment)

4. Application number(s) or registration number(s) and identification or description of the Trademark.

A. Trademark Application No.(s)

B. Trademark Registration No.(s)

2,177,009

Additional sheet(s) attached? Yes No

C. Identification or Description of Trademark(s) (and Filing Date if Application or Registration Number is unknown):

5. Name & address of party to whom correspondence concerning document should be mailed:

Name: Glenn K. Robbins II

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Street Address: 10 South Broadway Suite 2000

City: St. Louis

State: Missouri Zip: 63102

Phone Number: 314-241-9090

Fax Number: 314-345-4704

Email Address: gkr@greensfelder.com

6. Total number of applications and registrations involved:

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7. Total fee (37 CFR 2.6(b)(6) & 3.41) \$ 40.00

- Authorized to be charged by credit card
- Authorized to be charged to deposit account
- Enclosed

8. Payment Information:

a. Credit Card Last 4 Numbers _____
Expiration Date _____

b. Deposit Account Number 07-1985

Authorized User Name Glenn K. Robbins II

9. Signature:

Glenn K. Robbins II
Signature

7/8/04
Date

Glenn K. Robbins II
Name of Person Signing

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ASSIGNMENT

WHEREAS, EMPRESS CASINO JOLIET CORPORATION, a corporation duly organized under the laws of Illinois (hereinafter "Assignor") has adopted and is the owner of the entire right, title and interest in and to the trademark EMPRESS, which is the subject of the following U.S. trademark registration:

| <u>Mark</u> | <u>Registration No.</u> | <u>Registration Date</u> |
|--------------------|--------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| EMPRESS | 2,177,009 | July 28, 1998 |

WHEREAS, ARGOSY GAMING COMPANY, a corporation duly organized under the laws of Delaware (hereinafter "Assignee"), having its principal office and place of business at 219 Piasa Street, Alton, Illinois 62002, is desirous of acquiring all right, title and interest in and to said trademark and registration, together with the goodwill of the business associated therewith.

NOW, THEREFORE, IN CONSIDERATION OF THE SUM of One Dollar (\$1.00) and other good and valuable consideration to it paid, receipt of all which is hereby acknowledged, Assignor hereby assigns and transfers unto Assignee, *nunc pro tunc* as of April 17, 2003, the entire right, title and interest in and to said trademark and the registration therefore together with the good will of the business in connection with which said mark is used, and including the right to sue for past infringement if any there may be.

In witness whereof, I have hereunto set my hand this 7th day of July, 2004.

EMPRESS CASINO JOLIET CORPORATION

By: Richard L. Vitali
Richard L. Vitali
Assistant Secretary

State of Illinois)
)
County of Madison)

On this 7th day of July, 2004, before me a Notary Public within and for the State of Illinois, personally appeared Richard L. Vitali, to me known to be the person described in and who executed the foregoing Assignment, and acknowledged that he executed the same as his free act and deed.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and seal the day and year last above written.

Sharon K. Wallace
Notary Public

My Commission Expires:

