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UNITED STATES SUPREME COURT DENIES CERTIORARI IN IPI CASE

Office of the Attorney General, Saipan – On January 8, 2024, the United States Supreme Court denied certiorari to Imperial Pacific International (CNMI), LLC (“IPI”). IPI sought the U.S. Supreme Court’s review of the Ninth Circuit order ruling that the Commonwealth Casino Commission was not required to enter into non-binding arbitration regarding license revocation proceedings and could continue with its revocation of IPI’s casino license. By declining to hear the case, the U.S. Supreme Court left in place the Ninth Circuit ruling.

“This victory is important for the people of the Commonwealth in enforcing IPI’s failure to meet its contractual and statutory obligations to the people of the CNMI.,” says Attorney General Manibusan.

A revocation proceeding is now scheduled for January 31, 2024.

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