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Commissioner Jordan Maynard Appointed Interim Chair of Massachusetts Gaming Commission by Governor Healey *Governor's Appointment Effective March 22*

The Office of Governor Maura Healey [announced](#) the appointment of Commissioner Jordan Maynard as Interim Chair of the Massachusetts Gaming Commission (Commission) today, following the announced retirement of Cathy Judd-Stein. Maynard was appointed Commissioner in 2022 by a joint appointment of Governor Charlie Baker, then-Attorney General Healy, and Treasurer Deb Goldberg.

"I am honored that Governor Healey and Lieutenant Governor Driscoll have entrusted me with this responsibility and thank my fellow commissioners, who are essential to the continued success of the Massachusetts Gaming Commission, for their partnership and support," said **Commissioner Jordan Maynard**. "Since beginning as a commissioner, I have been consistently impressed with the level of professionalism and expertise displayed by the Commission staff. Without this committed team, commissioners would not be able to execute our responsibilities. We will lean on their experience and judgement as we continue addressing the issues facing the Massachusetts gaming, horse racing, and sports wagering industries. I look forward to working with our licensees and stakeholders to continue prioritizing consumer protections and responsible gaming."

In a [press release](#) from the Governor's office, the Governor and Lieutenant Governor thanked Maynard for his willingness to serve the Commonwealth in this role.

"Since joining the Commission, Jordan Maynard has proven to be a leader in this space. He has worked with people across the gaming industry and has helped oversee Massachusetts gaming regulations. We are grateful for his service as he takes over as Interim Chair and look forward to working with him more closely," said **Governor Maura Healey**. "In the meantime, we continue our search for a permanent chair."

"We are thankful for Jordan's leadership as he steps into this new role as Interim Chair of the Massachusetts Gaming Commission," said **Lieutenant Governor Kim Driscoll**. "His track record speaks for itself and we are grateful for his continued service."

The Commission consists of five full-time commissioners, one appointed by the governor, one appointed by the attorney general, one appointed by the treasurer, and two appointed by a joint appointment of those three officials. The press release from the Governor's office noted the administration is in the process of searching for a permanent chair.

About Jordan Maynard

Jordan Maynard was appointed as a Commissioner to the Massachusetts Gaming Commission in July 2022 and began his five-year term on August 1, 2022. Massachusetts Governor Charlie Baker, Attorney General Maura Healey, and Treasurer Deborah Goldberg appointed Maynard to the



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Commissioner spot slated for an individual with experience in the legal and policy issues related to gaming.

Maynard previously served as Governor Baker's Chief Secretary and Director of Boards and Commissions for the Office of the Governor from February 2019 through July 2022. In that capacity, he oversaw appointments for over 800 state boards and commissions and recruited and placed senior officials across the administration.

Under his tenure, the Baker-Polito Administration recruited a record number of diverse appointees to boards and commissions over a three-year period. In that role, Maynard worked extensively on issues related to gaming policy and oversaw multiple appointments to the Gaming Commission. He also worked closely with the Commission's leadership on appointments to the Gaming Policy Advisory Committee, including the Committee Chair and multiple appointments focused on public health and addiction issues.

During the COVID-19 pandemic, Maynard also served as the Washington, DC Director for the Office of the Governor from March-July 2020. In that capacity, he worked to coordinate state agencies' interactions with the federal government and supported the procurement of millions of pieces of PPE for the Commonwealth.

Maynard previously served as an external affairs manager at the Division of Professional Licensure (today the Division of Occupational Licensure), where he worked closely with board and commission members on licensing and regulating over 580,000 individuals across 150 trades and professions. Before entering state service, Maynard worked as a civil attorney, including as an advocate for individuals with disabilities before the Social Security Administration.

Maynard is a first-generation college graduate from eastern Kentucky who earned his Bachelor of Arts in History and Government from Morehead State University in 2010 and his Juris Doctorate from the Northern Kentucky University's Salmon P. Chase College of Law in 2013. He lives in West Roxbury with his wife.

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