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**STATE OF WASHINGTON
DEPARTMENT OF FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS
SECURITIES DIVISION**

IN THE MATTER OF DETERMINING
Whether there has been a violation of the
Franchise Investment Protection Act of
Washington by:

GAME KASTLE UNIVERSE, LLC,

Respondent.

Order No. S-22-3386-22-CO01

CONSENT ORDER

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Pursuant to the Franchise Investment Protection Act of Washington, RCW 19.100 (the “Act”), the Securities Division and Respondent Game Kastle Universe, LLC do hereby enter into this Consent Order in settlement of the matters alleged herein. Respondent neither admits nor denies the Findings of Fact or Conclusions of Law as stated below.

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FINDINGS OF FACT

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Respondent

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1. Game Kastle Universe, LLC (“Game Kastle”) is a California limited liability company with its primary place of business in Santa Clara, California. Game Kastle is in the business of offering franchises to operate retail hobby gaming stores and game event spaces. On June 29, 2021, Game Kastle filed an application for registration of its franchise offering with the Securities Division.

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Nature of the Conduct

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Unregistered Franchise Offer and Sale

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1. The Respondent, Game Kastle, offered and sold a franchise without registration knowing that a California resident (the “Franchisee”) was planning on opening a Washington location.

CONSENT ORDER

DEPARTMENT OF FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS
Securities Division
PO Box 9033
Olympia, WA 98507-9033
360-902-8760

1 **CONSENT ORDER**

2 Based upon the foregoing and finding it in the public interest:

3 IT IS AGREED AND ORDERED that Respondent Game Kastle Universe, LLC, and their agents
4 and employees, shall each cease and desist from any violation of RCW 19.100.020, the franchise
5 registration section of the Franchise Investment Protection Act of Washington.

6 IT IS FURTHER AGREED AND ORDERED that Respondent Game Kastle Universe, LLC shall be
7 liable for and shall pay investigative costs of \$2,000.00 prior to the entry of this Consent Order.

8 IT IS FURTHER AGREED that the Securities Division has jurisdiction to enter into this Consent
9 Order.

10 IT IS FURTHER AGREED that the Respondent enters into this Consent Order freely and
11 voluntarily and with a full understanding of its terms and significance.

12 IT IS FURTHER AGREED that in consideration of the foregoing, Respondent waives their right to a
13 hearing and to judicial review of this matter

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15 WILLFUL VIOLATION OF THIS ORDER IS A CRIMINAL OFFENSE.

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17 Signed this 13th day of August, 2022.

18 Signed by:
19 Game Kastle Universe, LLC

Approved as to form by:

20 _____
21 /s/
22 Print Name: Shaw Mead
23 Title: CEO

_____ /s/
Joe Hamell, WSBA #29423
Attorney for Respondent

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SIGNED and ENTERED this 6th day of September, 2022.



/s/

William M. Beatty
Securities Administrator

Approved by:

Presented by:

/s/

Brian J. Guerard
Chief of Enforcement

/s/

Luke Park
Financial Legal Examiner

Reviewed by

/s/

Holly Mack-Kretzler
Financial Legal Examiner Supervisor