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**SECTION I –REGISTRATION AND ENTRY**

1. The “MBA Poker Championship” (hereinafter the “Tournament(s)”) refers to three (3) poker tournaments commencing on January 15, 2010, January 16, 2010, and January 17, 2010, in the “Caesars Palace” Poker Room in Las Vegas, Nevada. All references to time of day herein refer to Las Vegas, Nevada time.
2. As used herein, “Caesars or Caesars Palace” means Desert Palace, Inc. d/b/a Caesars Palace.
3. All references to time of day herein refer to Las Vegas, Nevada time.
4. Caesars reserves the right to permit or refuse anyone entry into the Tournaments, in its sole and absolute discretion.
5. Entry into the Tournaments is limited to participants twenty-one (21) years of age or older with proof of age that Caesars, acting in its sole and absolute discretion, deems appropriate.
6. Subject to the restrictions described in these Official Rules, prospective participants may pre-register online at [www.mbajungle.com/poker/registration](http://www.mbajungle.com/poker/registration) (the “Website”). All prospective participants must complete the registration process, to include payment of all entry fees, in person at the Caesars Palace Tournament Poker Room prior to being allowed to participate in the Tournaments. Complete instructions can be found on the Website. Individuals who pre-register will be required to present proof of identity (passport, driver’s license, state identification card or military identification card) in person at the Caesars Palace Tournament Poker Room to complete the registration process and obtain his or her table and seat assignment.
7. Participants must submit a resume and provide initial information on the Website prior to registering for the Tournaments.
8. One (1) entry per participant per Tournament.
9. Participants must register and pay the applicable entry fee in person at the Caesars Palace Tournament Poker Room beginning at 12:00 noon on January 15, 2010.
10. Participants may only register themselves.
11. Participants must complete the registration and entry procedures by 2:00 p.m. for the Tournament on January 15, 2010, and by 12:00 noon for the Tournaments on January 16 and 17, 2010. Should any participant not complete the registration and entry procedures in time Caesars, in its sole discretion, may assign the seat to an alternate.
12. There is a sixty-five dollar (\$65.00) entry fee to participate in the Tournament on January 15, 2010. Fifty dollars (\$50.00) of the entry fee shall go toward the prize pool with the remaining fifteen dollars (\$15.00) going toward house and dealer fees. The Tournament on January 15, 2010, is scheduled to begin at 2:00 p.m.
13. There is a two hundred twenty-five dollar (\$225.00) entry fee to participate in the Tournament on January 16, 2010. Two hundred dollars (\$200.00) of the entry fee shall go toward the prize pool with the remaining twenty five dollars (\$25.00) going toward house and dealer fees. The Tournament on January 16, 2010, is scheduled to begin at 12:00 noon.
14. Five percent (5%) of the prize pool, up to a total of five thousand dollars (\$5,000.00) shall be deducted from the total prize pool collected from the Tournament on January 16, 2010, to be donated to the Alzheimer’s Association of Nevada.
15. There is a one hundred fifty dollar (\$150.00) entry fee to participate in the Tournament on January 17, 2010. One hundred thirty dollars (\$130.00) of the entry fee shall go to the prize pool with the remaining twenty dollars (\$20.00) going toward house and dealer fees. The Tournament on January 17, 2010 is scheduled to begin at 12:00 Noon.
16. Five percent (5%) of the prize pool, up to a total of five thousand dollars (\$5,000.00) shall be deducted from the total prize pool collected from the Tournament on January 17, 2010, to be donated to the Alzheimer’s Association of Nevada.
17. No teams, substitutes, transfers or assisted play.
18. Alternates may be allowed if space is available and the addition of an alternate does not disrupt the Tournaments.
19. Winners are responsible for any and all taxes, licenses, registrations and other fees.
20. Participants must show their valid picture identification (driver’s license, state identification card, or military identification card) prior to participating, and in order to collect prize. If participant is not a U.S. citizen, a current passport, consular identification or alien registration card is required.
21. Individuals who are excluded from casino facilities, either through a government program or by their own request, are not eligible.
22. All entries are subject to review and verification.
23. Entries will be retained for record keeping purposes in accordance with local legal requirements.
24. By participation in the Tournaments, participants agree to comply with all rules contained herein.
25. Void where prohibited or restricted by law.
26. By Participating in the Tournaments each participant agrees to allow Caesars the unconditional use of their name and likeness for promotions/advertising and announcements without compensation, consideration, notice, review, or further consent.

**SECTION II –SCHEDULING**

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27. Tournament times are approximate. Caesars reserves the right to change Tournament times in its sole and absolute discretion.
28. Caesars may cancel, modify, relocate or reschedule the Tournaments for any reason with prior notification to the appropriate gaming regulators, to the extent such is required.
29. Caesars is not responsible for electronic transmission errors or delays resulting in omission, interruption, deletion, defect, delay in operations or transmission, theft or destruction or unauthorized access to or alterations of entry materials, or for technical, hardware, software, or telephone failures of any kind, lost or unavailable connections, fraud, incomplete, garbled, or delayed computer transmissions, whether caused by Caesars, users, or by any of the equipment or programming associated with or utilized in the promotion or by any technical or human error which may occur in the processing of submissions which may limit, restrict, or prevent a participant's ability to participate in the Tournaments.
30. Caesars is not responsible for injuries or losses arising or resulting from participation in the Tournaments and is not liable for any acts or omissions by employees, whether negligent or willful, in the conduct of the Tournaments, and is not liable in the event of any equipment or software malfunction.
31. If for any reason the Tournaments are not capable of running as planned, including infection by computer virus, bugs, tampering, unauthorized intervention, fraud, technical failures, or any other causes within or beyond the control of Caesars which corrupt or affect the administration, security, fairness, integrity, or proper conduct of the Tournaments, Caesars reserves the right at its sole discretion to cancel, terminate, modify or suspend the Tournaments.

**SECTION III – PLAYER CONDUCT AND TOURNAMENT INTEGRITY**

32. Caesars may impose penalties upon any person who gives, makes, issues, authorizes or endorses any statement or action having, or designed to have, an effect prejudicial or detrimental to the best interest of the Tournaments as determined by Caesars, acting in its sole and absolute discretion. This may include, but shall not be limited to expulsion from the event and property, forfeiture of a participant's entry and/or re-buy fee(s), and/or loss of the right to participate in this or any other tournament conducted by Caesars.
33. Caesars may disqualify any person for any prize based upon fraud, dishonesty, violation of the official rules or other misconduct while on the property or otherwise occurring in relation to the Tournaments or as otherwise reasonable or necessary for Caesars to comply with applicable statutes and regulations, in its sole and absolute discretion.
34. Any attempt by any person to deliberately damage any program or to undermine the legitimate operation of the Tournaments may be a violation of criminal and civil laws and should such an attempt be made, Caesars reserves the right to seek damages from any such person to the fullest extent of the law.
35. All decisions regarding the interpretation of the rules, player eligibility, scheduling and staging of the Tournaments, and penalties for misconduct lie solely with Caesars, whose decisions are final.
36. The Tournaments are subject to all applicable federal, state, and local laws and regulations, including gaming, and all aspects of the Tournaments are subject to the approval of appropriate regulatory authorities.
37. Caesars will use reasonable commercial efforts to consider the best interest of the game and fairness as the top priority in the decision-making process, with the understanding that "best interest of the game and fairness" shall be determined by Caesars, acting in its sole and absolute discretion. Unusual circumstances can, on occasion, dictate that the technical interpretation of the rules be balanced against the interest of fairness. Caesars' decision is final and non-appealable and shall not give rise to any claim for monetary damages, as each participant understands the very nature of poker is speculative and dependent on many factors, including but not limited to the cards dealt, the cards retained and the actions of other participants.
38. Tournament Rules and any and all changes in the rules and event descriptions for the Tournament in Las Vegas, Nevada, will be available at the Tournament facilities.
39. Where a situation arises which is not covered by these rules, Caesars shall have the authority to render a judgment, including the imposition of a penalty, in accordance with the best interests of the Tournament and the maintenance of its integrity and public confidence.

**SECTION IV – PRIZES**

40. Prizes are non-transferable.
41. Prize structure for each of the Tournaments is based upon the number of actual Tournament participants and is set forth as follows:

<b>100-199 Participants</b>	
<b>PLACE</b>	<b>PRIZE POOL PERCENTAGE</b>
1 <sup>st</sup>	33%
2 <sup>nd</sup>	18.20%

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3 <sup>rd</sup>	10%
4 <sup>th</sup>	8%
5 <sup>th</sup>	6%
6 <sup>th</sup>	5%
7 <sup>th</sup>	4%
8 <sup>th</sup>	3%
9 <sup>th</sup>	2%
10 <sup>th</sup> to 12 <sup>th</sup>	1.4%
13 <sup>th</sup> to 15 <sup>th</sup>	1.2%
16 <sup>th</sup> to 18 <sup>th</sup>	1%
<b>200-299 Participants</b>	
1 <sup>st</sup>	32%
2 <sup>nd</sup>	17.60%
3 <sup>rd</sup>	9%
4 <sup>th</sup>	7%
5 <sup>th</sup>	6%
6 <sup>th</sup>	5%
7 <sup>th</sup>	4%
8 <sup>th</sup>	3%
9 <sup>th</sup>	2%
10 <sup>th</sup> to 12 <sup>th</sup>	1.2%
13 <sup>th</sup> to 15 <sup>th</sup>	1%
16 <sup>th</sup> to 18 <sup>th</sup>	.80%
19 <sup>th</sup> to 27 <sup>th</sup>	.60%
<b>300-399 Participants</b>	
1 <sup>st</sup>	31%
2 <sup>nd</sup>	16%
3 <sup>rd</sup>	8%
4 <sup>th</sup>	7%
5 <sup>th</sup>	6%
6 <sup>th</sup>	5%
7 <sup>th</sup>	4%
8 <sup>th</sup>	3%
9 <sup>th</sup>	2%
10 <sup>th</sup> to 12 <sup>th</sup>	1.2%
13 <sup>th</sup> to 15 <sup>th</sup>	1%
16 <sup>th</sup> to 18 <sup>th</sup>	.80%
19 <sup>th</sup> to 27 <sup>th</sup>	.60%
28 <sup>th</sup> to 36 <sup>th</sup>	.40%
<b>400-499 Participants</b>	
1 <sup>st</sup>	30%
2 <sup>nd</sup>	16.10%
3 <sup>rd</sup>	8%
4 <sup>th</sup>	7%
5 <sup>th</sup>	6%
6 <sup>th</sup>	5%
7 <sup>th</sup>	4%
8 <sup>th</sup>	3%
9 <sup>th</sup>	2%
10 <sup>th</sup> to 12 <sup>th</sup>	1.10%
13 <sup>th</sup> to 15 <sup>th</sup>	1%
16 <sup>th</sup> to 18 <sup>th</sup>	.70%
19 <sup>th</sup> to 27 <sup>th</sup>	.50%
28 <sup>th</sup> to 36 <sup>th</sup>	.40%
37 <sup>th</sup> to 45 <sup>th</sup>	.30%
<b>500-599 Participants</b>	

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1 <sup>st</sup>	29%
2 <sup>nd</sup>	15.30%
3 <sup>rd</sup>	8%
4 <sup>th</sup>	7%
5 <sup>th</sup>	6%
6 <sup>th</sup>	5%
7 <sup>th</sup>	4%
8 <sup>th</sup>	3%
9 <sup>th</sup>	2%
10 <sup>th</sup> to 12 <sup>th</sup>	1.10%
13 <sup>th</sup> to 15 <sup>th</sup>	.90%
16 <sup>th</sup> to 18 <sup>th</sup>	.70%
19 <sup>th</sup> to 27 <sup>th</sup>	.50%
28 <sup>th</sup> to 36 <sup>th</sup>	.35%
37 <sup>th</sup> to 45 <sup>th</sup>	.30%
46 <sup>th</sup> to 54 <sup>th</sup>	.25%
<b>600-699 Participants</b>	
1 <sup>st</sup>	28%
2 <sup>nd</sup>	14.50%
3 <sup>rd</sup>	8%
4 <sup>th</sup>	7%
5 <sup>th</sup>	6%
6 <sup>th</sup>	5%
7 <sup>th</sup>	4%
8 <sup>th</sup>	3%
9 <sup>th</sup>	2%
10 <sup>th</sup> to 12 <sup>th</sup>	1.10%
13 <sup>th</sup> to 15 <sup>th</sup>	.90%
16 <sup>th</sup> to 18 <sup>th</sup>	.70%
19 <sup>th</sup> to 27 <sup>th</sup>	.50%
28 <sup>th</sup> to 36 <sup>th</sup>	.35%
37 <sup>th</sup> to 45 <sup>th</sup>	.30%
46 <sup>th</sup> to 54 <sup>th</sup>	.25%
55 <sup>th</sup> to 63 <sup>rd</sup>	.20%

42. With regard to all prizes identified in these Official Rules, Caesars reserves the right to substitute prizes that have or have not been awarded as long as the value is substantially the same as the original prize offered in the event that the original prizes become unavailable. In no event will Caesars be obligated to award more prizes than the number of prizes stated in these Official Rules.
43. Prizes not claimed at the time of winning on the day of Tournament play, shall be forfeited.
44. Tournament winnings may be subject to reporting and withholding pursuant to Federal IRS regulations, and participants are required to cooperate with Caesars in completing necessary forms.

**SECTION V –TOURNAMENT RULES**

45. No cash value tournament chips (the “Chips”) are used for Tournament play and are the exclusive property of the Caesars and may not be removed from the Tournament Poker Room.
46. Chip race rule: When it is time to color-up chips, they will be raced off with a maximum of one chip going to any participant. The chip race will always start in the No.1 seat. A participant cannot be raced out of the Event. In the event that a participant has only one chip left, the regular race procedure will take place. If that participant loses the race, s/he will be given one chip of the smallest denomination still in play.
47. Odd chips: The odd chip(s) will go to the high hand. In flop games, when there are two (2) or more high hands or two (2) or more low hands, the odd chip(s) will go to the left of the button. In stud-type games, the odd chip will go to the high card by suit.
48. Side pots: Each side pot will be split as a separate pot. They will not be mixed together before they are split.
49. Calling for the clock procedures: Once a reasonable amount of time has passed and a clock is called for, a participant will be given one (1) minute to make a decision. If action has not been taken by the time the minute is over, there will

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be a ten (10) second countdown. If a participant has not acted on his hand by the time the countdown is over, the hand will be dead.

50. Dead Button: Event play will use a dead button.
51. Penalties: A penalty may be invoked if a participant exposes any card with action pending, if a card(s) goes off the table, if soft-play occurs, or similar incidents take place. Penalties will be invoked in cases of abuse, disruptive behavior, or similar incidents. All penalties will be issued in Caesars' sole discretion.
52. Participants must be at the table by the time all participants have complete hands in order to have his or her hand live. Participants must be at the table to call time. In flop games, the big blind's hand will be dead if s/he is not there to act on it before the flop. In stud-type games, the forced low hand will be immediately dead if the participant is not there to act on his or her hand at the time s/he is required to put money in the pot (the minimum bring-in will be posted and the hand will be killed).
53. All cards will be turned face up once a participant is all in and all action is complete.
54. If a participant puts in a raise of fifty percent (50%) or more of the previous bet, s/he will be required to make a full raise. The raise will be exactly the minimum raise allowed.
55. In limit games, an oversized chip will be constituted to be a call if the participant does not announce a raise. In no-limit, an oversized chip before the flop is a call; after the flop, an oversized chip by the initial bettor put in the pot will constitute the size of the bet. In pot-limit and no-limit, if a participant states raise and throws in an oversized chip, the raise will be the maximum amount allowable up to the size of that chip.
56. The one-participant-to-a-hand rule will be enforced.
57. Seats will be randomly assigned.
58. The English-only rule will be enforced during the play of hands.
59. A participant who wants to use a cellular phone must step away from the table.
60. There will be no foreign objects on the table except for a maximum of one card cap.
61. Deck changes will be on the dealer push or limit changes or as prescribed by Caesars. Participants may not ask for deck changes.
62. A participant may not miss a hand. If a participant announces the intent to re-enter before the first card is dealt, that participant is playing behind and is obligated to make the re-entry.
63. When time has elapsed in a round and a new round is announced, the new limits apply to the next hand. A hand has begun with the first riffle.
64. Participants must keep their highest denomination Chips visible at all times.
65. Verbal declarations as to the content of a participant's hand are not binding; however at Caesars' discretion, any participant deliberately miscalling his hand may be penalized.
66. No rabbit hunting is allowed.
67. A participant who intentionally dodges his or her blind(s) when moving from a broken table will forfeit the blind(s) and/or incur a penalty. The money will be put into the next pot and will be considered dead money.
68. All Chips must be visibly displayed at all times. Participants may not have Chips in their pockets at any time. A participant who has Chips in his or her pocket will forfeit the Chips. The forfeited Chips will be taken out of play from the Tournament.
69. In stud-type games, if any of the participant's two down cards are exposed due to dealer error, it is a misdeal.
70. Moving participants: In flop games, participants will be moved from the big blind to the worst position.
71. In limit events, there will be a limit to raises, even when heads-up. (The limit will be Caesars' house limit.) Once the Event becomes heads-up, the rule does not apply.
72. If the dealer kills an unprotected hand, the participant will have no redress and will not be entitled to his or her money back. An exception would be if a participant raised and his or her raise had not been called yet, s/he would be entitled to receive his or her raise back.
73. Dealers cannot kill a winning hand that was turned face up and was obviously the winning hand.
74. Participant's verbal declarations in turn are binding. Action out of turn may be binding.
75. Participants going from a broken table to fill in seats assume the rights and responsibilities of the position. They can get the big blind, the small blind, or the button. The only place they cannot get a hand is between the small blind and the button. A participant moved to balance tables will take the worst position. A dead button situation may occur.
76. Penalties available for use by the Caesars are verbal warnings and "missed hand" penalties. Missed hand penalty will be assessed as follows: The offender will miss one hand for every participant, including the offender, who is at the table when the penalty is given. Event staff can assess 1, 2, 3 or 4 round penalties from the table used with discretion. These may be utilized up to and including disqualification. A participant who is disqualified shall have his Chips removed from play.
77. Participants, whether in the hand or not, may not discuss the hands until the action is complete. Participants are obligated to protect the other participants at all times. Discussing cards discarded or hand possibilities is not allowed.
78. A participant who exposes his or her cards during the play may incur a penalty, but will not have his or her hand killed.

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79. In No-Limit or Pot-Limit, when raising, a participant must either put the amount of the raise out in one motion or state the raise amount. By stating the word raise, a participant protects his or her right to raise, but the raise must be made in one additional motion unless s/he states the amount.
80. Verbally disclosing the contents of your hand or advising a participant how to play a hand may result in a penalty, in Caesars' discretion.
81. In No-limit, less than a full raise does not reopen the betting to a participant who already has acted.

**SECTION VI – TOURNAMENT STRUCTURE**

82. Each participant will receive two thousand five hundred dollars (\$2,500.00) in Chips at the beginning of the Tournament on January 15, 2010.
83. Each participant will receive five thousand dollars (\$5,000.00) in Chips at the beginning of the Tournament on January 16, 2010.
84. Each participant will receive four thousand dollars (\$4,000.00) in Chips at the beginning of the Tournament on January 17, 2010.
85. Each of the Tournaments will follow the same structure as stated below:

<b>Level</b>	<b>Blinds</b>	<b>Ante</b>
Levels are 30 Minutes Long		
1	25-50	0
2	50-100	0
10 Minute Break		
3	100-200	25
4	200-400	50
5	300-600	75
10 Minute Break / Race Off \$25 Chips		
6	400-800	100
7	600-1200	200
8	800-1600	300
10 Minute Break		
9	1000-2000	400
10	2000-4000	500
11	3000-6000	500
10 Minute Break / Race Off \$100 Chips		
12	4000-8000	1000
13	5000-10000	2000
14	10000-20000	2000