



November 10, 2025

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Sent via certified mail to address above and via KiteWorks to John Theobald at: post24dayton@gmail.com and theobald9@gmail.com

Re: Notice of Intent to Revoke and Opportunity for Hearing

## Amvets Board Members:

Enclosed is a Notice of Intent to Revoke and Opportunity for Hearing. Please read it carefully as the information contained within concerns your bingo license. Be advised if you would like to request a hearing on this matter, you must do so within 30 days of the service of this Notice.

Thank you for your time and attention to this matter.

Very respectfully yours,

DAVE YOST Ohio Attorney General

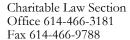
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Enclosure





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Amvets Post No. 24
Attn: John Theobald, Finance Officer/Primary Bingo Game Operator 1016 Leo St.
Dayton, Ohio 45404
EIN # 31-0934004
License No. 0378-27

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## **Notice of Intent to Deny and Opportunity for Hearing**

For purposes of this Notice, the terms "you" or "your" shall refer to the organization "Amvets Post No. 24".

The Ohio Attorney General's Office hereby informs you that it intends to deny your 2025 Electronic/Paper Instant Bingo Application for the following reasons:

- 1. Ohio Revised Code Section (hereinafter, "O.R.C.") 2915.101(A)(1) requires Veterans and Fraternal Organizations to distribute a percentage of the net profit from the proceeds of the sale of instant bingo or electronic instant bingo to an organization described in Revised Code Section 2915.01(V)(1). In violation of Ohio Revised Code Section 2915.101(A)(1), you have underpaid your designated and/or contracting charities by \$59,145.34 in 2024, \$164,013.62 in 2023 and \$40,636.65 in 2022.
- 2. O.R.C. 2915.10(C) requires the gross profit from each bingo session, "be deposited into a checking account devoted exclusively to the bingo session or game. Payments for allowable expenses incurred in conducting the bingo session or game and payments to recipients of some or all of the net profit of the bingo session or game shall be made only by checks or electronic fund transfers drawn on the bingo session or game account."

You did not follow this requirement and therefore the following denotes the status of your instant bingo accounts.

- Paper instant bingo account: 2022 overage of \$95,246; 2023 overage of \$18,420; 2024 shortage of (\$13,335).
- Electronic instant bingo account: 2022 shortage of (\$166,709); 2023 shortage of (\$38,273); 2024 shortage of (\$19,674).

Additionally, unallowable expenses were paid or funds were transferred from these accounts in the following aggregate amounts:

- Electronic/paper instant bingo accounts: 2022-2023 over \$470,000
- Electronic/paper instant bingo accounts: 2024 over \$260,000
- 3. Ohio Administrative Code 109:1-5-14 requires Veterans and Fraternal organizations that conduct electronic instant bingo to file <u>complete</u> quarterly reports with the Attorney General's Office. In violation of Rule 109:1-5-14, you failed to file complete reports for:

Quarter 1 due on February 29, 2025; Quarter 2 due on May 31, 2025; and Quarter 3 due on August 31, 2025.

The Attorney General sent reminder emails to your organization on or about February 3, May 9, and August 12, 2025, respectively.

4. O.R.C. 2915.08(F)(2)(e) authorizes the Attorney General to deny a bingo license if it "has good cause to believe that the organization will not conduct bingo in accordance with sections 2915.07 to 2915.15 of the Revised Code or with any rule adopted by the attorney general pursuant to this chapter." In view of the foregoing circumstances, the Attorney General has good cause to believe that you will not conduct bingo in accordance with sections 2915.07 to 2915.15 of the Revised Code or with any rule it has adopted.

Pursuant to Section 119.07 of the O.R.C., you are entitled to a hearing on this matter if you timely request one. If you wish to request a hearing, the Attorney General's Office must receive the request from you within 30 days of the date of the mailing of this notice. You may email a request to the Attorney General's Charitable Law Section at <a href="mailto:kimberly.bossman@ohioago.gov">kimberly.bossman@ohioago.gov</a>. Alternatively, you may mail a request to:

Ohio Attorney General's Office Attn: Bingo Unit, Charitable Law Section 30 East Broad Street, 25<sup>th</sup> Floor Columbus, Ohio 43215

In the event there is a timely request for a hearing, you may appear in person and represent yourself or be represented by an attorney that is permitted to practice law in the State of Ohio.\* At the hearing, you may present evidence and examine witnesses appearing for and against you. In lieu of attending the hearing, you may also present your position, arguments, or contentions in writing.

\*Be advised that, under Ohio law, corporations must be represented by an attorney authorized to practice law in this State and that individuals not so authorized may not appear and represent those entities. If you have any questions regarding your status, you should contact an attorney for further guidance.

Very respectfully yours,

DAVE YOST Ohio Attorney General

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