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## Gambling Alert - March 18, 2022



### **Dave Portnoy's accusations prompt scrutiny of Barstool as Penn National pursues the acquisition**

Scrutiny of Barstool Sports is mounting as gambling operator Penn National Gaming Inc. moves to acquire the media company to help it compete in the sports-betting business. Gambling regulators in Nevada and Indiana have said they are looking into Barstool and Penn National in the wake of sexual-misconduct accusations against Barstool founder and star personality Dave Portnoy. [Read](#)

### **AND THEY'RE OFF! TO KENTUCKY?**

### **Arlington Million galloping away to Louisville's Churchill Downs after suburban track's sale to the Bears**

You can take the horse racing out of Arlington Park, but you can't take the Arlington Million out of horse racing. At least, that's the position of Churchill Downs Inc., which announced Tuesday that Illinois' premier stakes race will live on this summer at its namesake track in Louisville instead of at the historic northwest suburban oval the company is selling to the Bears. The Arlington Million will take place in Kentucky on Aug. 13, about 335 miles south of where it's been held for most of the past four decades — until Churchill Downs cashed out of the Illinois horse racing industry with the sale of Arlington International Racecourse last fall. Eight other races normally held at Arlington are also being moved south of the state border by Churchill Downs. [Read](#)

## **Joliet awaits state decision on gas station gambling cases**

Four stations have appealed to the Illinois State Liquor Commission. In the coming weeks, the city should find out whether it can keep a lid on the number of gas stations allowed to sell liquor and host video gaming. Last month, the Illinois State Liquor Commission held hearings for four Joliet gas stations that appealed the city's denial of a license that permits alcohol sales and video gambling. All four cases were heard by the state commission on Feb. 24, and the city is awaiting a decision on the cases, Deputy City Attorney Chris Regis said Tuesday. Regis said the city made different arguments for denying the various stations. [Read](#)

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