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**ATLANTIC CITY MAYOR DONALD A. GUARDIAN AND NEW JERSEY SENATOR JIM WHELAN TO DELIVER  
KEYNOTE ADDRESS AT NCLGS SUMMER CONFERENCE, JUNE 12 THROUGH 14**

**ATLANTIC CITY, NJ, May 6, 2015**—Two of the country's most visible state and local elected officials will provide keynote addresses concerning the impacts of casino gaming at the [National Council of Legislators from Gaming States \(NCLGS\) Summer Meeting](#) Keynote Luncheon on June 12 here in Atlantic City.

The keynoters are Donald A. Guardian, the upbeat Mayor of Atlantic City amid the city's current travails, and Jim Whelan, a New Jersey State Senator and former Atlantic City mayor during its casino heyday. The two offer unparalleled insights into the opportunities and challenges experienced by a major casino host community.

NCLGS Rep. Helene Keeley (DE), in referencing the meeting and specifically its keynote luncheon, said:

In our quest to determine best legislative and regulatory courses of action in 2015 and beyond, we are honored to have as keynote speakers two such influential Atlantic City personalities to provide us with their seasoned perspectives. Issues that New Jersey faces will inform all states that are grappling with the pros and cons of legalized gaming and expansion. We look forward to tackling the tough questions in Atlantic City in June.

[NCLGS](#) is an organization of state lawmakers who chair or are members of committees responsible for the regulation of gaming in their state legislative houses. NCLGS does not promote or oppose gaming but supports effective regulation and believes that decisions related to gaming should be made by the citizens of the individual states and their elected officials.

The NCLGS Summer Meeting will take place on June 12 through 14 at the Water Club at Borgata in Atlantic City. Attendees will include legislators, regulators, gaming operators, equipment manufacturers, attorneys, analysts, public officials, investors and other gaming-related professionals. The meeting begins Friday with presentations to the five gaming committees, which comprise Responsible Gaming, Pari-Mutuels, Lotteries, Casinos and State-Federal Relations, which covers both Internet and Tribal gaming issues.

The meeting also includes several general sessions including:

- Retail Gaming: How Much Gambling Is Enough?
- Understanding Economic Impacts Of Gaming: How Can Legislation Harness Benefits, Minimize Drawbacks?
- "Free Play" Or Promotional Gaming: Is It Really Free?

- Casinos & Anti-Money Laundering: Why Now—And How?

The conference provides information on cutting edge gaming issues that legislators need to know, and include balanced panel presentations that offer opposing views. The meetings are extremely informative and provide a forum to directly address legislators on issues that industry professionals find most relevant. The complete agenda is available [here](#).

NCLGS is the only non-partisan organization of state lawmakers that meets on a regular basis to discuss issues in regard to gaming.

The NCLGS Foundation, a 501(c)(3) nonprofit educational and research arm of NCLGS, strives to educate lawmakers through scholarships to NCLGS meetings and is a source of nonpartisan data on issues of gaming legislation and regulation. Sponsorship and scholarship opportunities are still available. Please contact Susan Nolan at [snolan@nclgs.org](mailto:snolan@nclgs.org) or Allison McCoy at [amccoy@spectrumgaming.com](mailto:amccoy@spectrumgaming.com) for details. For more information and to register for the event, please visit <http://www.nclgs.org/meetings.html>.