2015/2016 World Series of Poker Circuit Harrah's New Orleans Event #6 No-Limit Holdem Six-Max

Buy-In: \$365

**Total Entries: 262** 

Total Prize Pool: \$78,600

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## Attorney Brandon Guillory Brought to Tears After Winning First Circuit Ring and \$20,830

**New Orleans (17 May 2016)** – Brandon Guillory just took down his first ever World Series of Poker Circuit ring, along with \$20,830. Guillory has two prior WSOP cashes under his belt from 2008 and 2013, both of them at final tables here in New Orleans. Earlier this week he also scored a 21st place cash in Event #4, the \$365 No Limit Hold'em Re-entry.

Guillory was born and raised in Opelousas, Loussiana, where he currently practices law. He is the sole proprietor of the Law Offices of Brandon G. Guillory, specializing in personal injury and family law. In July 2003 he opened his own firm, and given his profession he doesn't have as much time as he would like to play poker. He will travel back to Opelousas tonight for work. He said he is going to try to return to New Orleans for the Main Event this weekend, but makes no promises as it's going to be dictated by his court schedule. He also is planning a trip to Las Vegas this summer to play in the summer series, but is waiting to hear details on a few cases before he determines his exact dates/schedule.

When asked if winning this ring will change his work/poker schedule he responded, "I'm gonna play the same [amount of poker]. I mean, I'm a solo practitioner, I can't get anybody to take my place in court. I mean, I just play when I can...," he said trailing off, "Not when I want... I mean I play when I can," he said with a slight laugh.

Guillory came into the final table third in chips out of the six players. When they got down to the final three, it took over five full levels before Neil Scott was eliminated in 3rd place. It was then down to Guillory and WSOP Circuit ring winner/former November Niner John Nolan. Guillory said that he had played with Dolan a few times in Biloxi and he knew that Nolan was a very accomplished player, but that he didn't let Dolan's stellar resume get to him.

"Cause listen, I mean, I practice law - that's my job. I play poker, I'm good at it. I just take the mentality that I really don't care who I play against, I just wanna play my game. I really don't care how much money you've made. If you beat me, you beat me. If I beat you, I'm good."

Head's up play between Guillory and Dolan lasted two levels, during which two defining hands occurred. The first hand occurred when Guillory was down to just 13 big blinds (400,000 vs. Dolan's 2,200,000), and doubled with pocket jacks against Dolan's pocket sevens. The second was the final hand of the tournament in which the chip stacks were almost exactly reversed. This time, at 20,000/40,000 blinds, Guillory was sitting with 2,200,000 and Dolan held around 400,000. Guillory limped on the button and Dolan checked his option. When the flop came eight-

high rainbow, Dolan lead for 75,000, Guillory shoved all in, and Dolan called. Dolan showed sixeight of clubs for a pair of eights, but was unable to improve on the turn or river. Guillory's pocket jacks held, and his rail erupted in loud cheers.

Guillory walked away from the table in disbelief, and a few minutes later he returned with tears streaming down his face.

"This is hard to describe," Guillory said, "This is the best feeling of my life."

Full results from the event are available on WSOP.com.

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Event #6 was the sixth of 12 gold ring events on the WSOP Circuit schedule at Harrah's New Orleans, and the only six-max event. It attracted 262 players, generating a \$78,600 prizepool, and the top 27 places were paid. Day 1 play began Monday at 11 a.m. and lasted 21 levels. Ten players returned to play Day 2, with Quang Hoa leading the pack (474,000). John Dolan came in second with 417,000, and Neil Scott in third with 334,000.

The final table of six was made within the first 50 minutes of the day, and play concluded in Level 27 around 7:30 p.m.

At the conclusion of this event, Brandon Guillory jumps into the lead in the Casino Champion race. The player who accumulates the most overall points in the twelve gold ring tournaments Harrah's New Orleans earns the title of Casino Champion and receives an automatic entry into the \$1 million 2016 WSOP Global Casino Championship. The winner of the Harrah's New Orleans Main Event earns an automatic entry to the Global Casino Championship as well. All players who cash in ring events will receive points that apply to both the Casino Champion race and the season-long race to claim one of the 50 at-large Global Casino Championship bids awarded to the top point earners throughout the season. More information on the points system is available on WSOP.com.

Here is the list of gold ring winners from Harrah's New Orleans so far:

EVENT #1: David Slaughter defeated 278 entries (\$365 No-Limit Hold'em) for \$20,018.

EVENT #2: Gerardo Tavira defeated 124 entries (\$365 Pot Limit Omaha) for \$10,414.

EVENT #3: David Coolman defeated 307 entries (\$365 No-Limit Hold'em Turbo) for \$21,643

EVENT #4: Brandon Newhouse defeated 1,213 entries (\$365 No-Limit Hold'em Re-entry) for \$64,596

EVENT #5: Jeffrey Trudeau Jr. defeated 247 entries (\$365 No-Limit Hold'em) for \$18,156

EVENT #6: Brandon Guillory defeated 262 entries (\$365 No-Limit Hold'em Six-Max) for \$20,830

With this tournament now wrapped up, there are still 6 more gold ring events before the WSOP Circuit at Harrah's New Orleans concludes on May 23rd.

All rings at Harrah's New Orleans are furnished by <u>Jostens</u>, the official ring supplier of the 2015-2016 WSOP Circuit season.

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