



WSOP CIRCUIT 2018-19 EVENT REPORT

Circuit Stop:	Hard Rock Tulsa (Tulsa, OK)	Date:	14 March 2019
Event:	NLHE Monster Stack	Entries:	338
Buy-in:	\$400	Prizepool:	\$111,540

JOSH WILDER CLAIMS MONSTER STACK RING

Wilder's first-ever WSOP cash brings a \$25,650 winner's payday

Forty-four-year-old Josh Wilder, a native of Amarillo, Texas and a resident of Oklahoma City for several years, has won the first ring to be awarded at Circuit Hard Rock Tulsa. Wilder's triumph in Event #1, \$400 No-Limit Hold'em Monster Stack, was worth \$25,650. The big payday was the first-ever WSOP cash for Wilder – and thus the first Circuit ring win of his career – and also marked Wilder's second-best-ever poker score.

Wilder, who plays regularly in several of Oklahoma's plentiful poker rooms, survived both a fast-paced early portion of Event #1's final table, then had to slowly claw back from well behind against dominant early chip leader Matt Ellis. Wilder slowly erased Ellis's early 9:2 chip edge during their heads-up duel, which lasted over three hours.

Wilder plans on playing the rest of the Hard Rock Tulsa series and he has the early lead in the stop's Casino Champion battle. He's also well-bankrolled for the rest of the two-week series, though he might have different plans. "I'm going to bet it all on red," he joked after his win.

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Name:	Josh Wilder	Age:	44
Nationality:	USA	Profession:	Retired
Birthplace:	Amarillo, Texas	WSOP Bracelets:	0
Current Residence:	Oklahoma City, Okla.	Previous WSOP Circuit Rings:	0

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