



WSOP CIRCUIT 2022-23 EVENT REPORT

Circuit Stop:	Harrah's Cherokee	Date:	11 August 222
Event:	No-Limit Hold'em	Entries:	443
Buy-in:	\$400	Prizepool:	\$146,190

MICHAEL ESQUIVEL WINS 1st WSOP CIRCUIT RING

Professional poker player from Illinois finally wins the chase at Harrah's Cherokee

Event #10: \$400 No-Limit Hold'em is in the books and professional poker player Michael Esquivel has taken it down. This is his first ever World Series of Poker Circuit ring, earning \$29,108 as well as a seat into the Tournament of Champions in July 2023.

"Special moment," said an emotional Esquivel. "I've been preparing for this instance. Grateful to have this opportunity." The poker pro had made eight WSOP Circuit final tables before this but couldn't seal the deal at the time. "I've been chasing this for three years now and I've come close so many times."

Esquivel explained how he puts in work off the felt using solvers and going over hand histories. "But when you're playing live sometimes you just can't play optimal. You have to deviate; you have to edge-pass. You kinda just wanna let them make mistakes and just capitalize on it."

Now that Esquivel has gotten the monkey off his back, he just plans to keep putting in the time and has no immediate goals. "I have nothing on my list. As long as I'm playing well, I think I'll get there."

MEET THE LATEST WSOP CIRCUIT RING WINNER

Name:	Michael Esquivel	Age:	35
Nationality:	Philippines	Profession:	Poker Pro
Birthplace:	Philippines	WSOP Bracelets:	0
Current Residence:	IL	Previous WSOP Circuit Rings:	0

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