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State of New York closes on-line Casino

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 (27.7.99) The gambling laws US state apply also to a on-line Casino if the server is abroad and is certified there the enterprise, as long as inhabitants of the state can conclude bets there. This decided now the highest Court of Justice of New York upon the request [of the prosecutor general](#). The owners of the on-line Casinos World Interactive Gaming taken meanwhile by the network made valid, on them the gambling laws of the State of New York would not apply, since their servers are on Antigua and also there are registered.



In the 20-lateral assertion of the highest Court of Justice it means now, Internet is more than bare data exchange between an accused whom are outside of the law and a plaintiff appointing to the law: " It does not play a role whether on-line gambling is legal in Antigua. The fact that in the State of New York bets over Internet can be placed, is sufficient, in order to determine a gambling activity in the State of New York. The Web Site concerned creates a virtual Casino on the computer of the user and breaks thereby valid Federal Law. " The punishments and editions for the Casino operators are determined in a negotiation on 9 September.

The deputy public prosecutor Joel Schwarz had said after the judgement urteilsverkuendigung: " This is quite obviously a very important Praezedenzsurteil, which will influence future law cases particularly within the area eCommerce. Which in this case different it was was the fact that we applied in principle our laws to another country. " There would be comparable cases in other states, New York is after black ' knowledge however first, which had made a decision. Last month the US senate with overwhelming majority against sport bets and gambling in the network had tuned. At the same time recent studies say a golden future to the on-line luck play ahead ([.nk](#))

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