



Arguments Heard Over Ex-Senator's Law License

LINCOLN (AP) — A former state senator who used campaign money to gamble at casinos is fighting to keep her law license, but the decision is now in the hands of the Nebraska Supreme Court.

Attorneys argued Wednesday over whether former state Sen. Brenda Council should have her license suspended, or be disbarred. A court-appointed referee has recommended that Council receive a one-year license suspension plus two years of probation.

Council was sentenced to three years of criminal probation and fined \$500 earlier last year after pleading guilty to a federal wire fraud charge. She also was fined \$500 after pleading guilty to state misdemeanor charges related to her use of campaign money. She lost her 2012 re-election bid to Sen. Ernie Chambers.

The court heard arguments but did not take immediate action.