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WYNN RESORTS GENERAL COUNSEL STEPS DOWN

Wynn Resorts top executive Kim Sinatra is stepping down, according to a filing with the Securities and Exchange Commission.

Sinatra, who was the assistant secretary for the company's Boston unit and a key player in Wynn Resorts' negotiations to begin construction of a \$2.5 billion casino and hotel in Everett, joined current CEO Matthew Maddox in April to reassure the Gaming Commission that the company is no longer associated with Steve Wynn. "I'm my own man. Kim Sinatra is her own woman," Maddox told the commission.

The Massachusetts Gaming Commission is in the midst of a long review of its suitability determination for Wynn in the wake of allegations of sexual misconduct against former CEO Steve Wynn, who has left the company. In a public meeting in February, Gaming Commission Chairman Stephen Crosby called into question whether or not officials in the company were aware of a 2005 private settlement Wynn negotiated with an employee who claimed to have been assaulted. Crosby said that this information would be a "central question" in the commission's review.

In legal filings from March, Elaine Wynn, Steve Wynn's ex-wife and former company board member, alleged that she had asked Sinatra about a private settlement her ex-husband had negotiated with an employee in 2009, and Sinatra responded "that Mr. Wynn had decided the matter should not be disclosed to the board or other company personnel."

The company has not given a reason for Sinatra's departure, but her resignation follows a series of six other top-level resignations from the company after the fallout of the allegations against Wynn. A 2013 background check by the Gaming Commission described Sinatra as an "incredibly smart and loyal person." - Chris Triunfo/SHNS

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