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## Second Chance Worth \$17,000 For Snyder *Instant MONOPOLY*™ Player



Lisa Ponce of Snyder was the top-prize winner in the first *Instant MONOPOLY*™ Second Chance Drawing.

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(Austin, August 26) - Lisa Ponce of Snyder had actually forgotten all about her entry for the *Instant MONOPOLY*™ Second Chance Drawing, so she was pleasantly surprised to find a message on her answering machine from the Texas Lottery®.

"I was pretty happy when I got the message because I thought I'd won the *MONOPOLY*™ prize package," said Ponce. "But then I called in and found out I'd actually won \$17,000 and I was really happy!"

In addition to the cash, Ponce also won a Franklin Mint Collector's Edition *MONOPOLY* game board. Ponce was the biggest winner in the first of four Second Chance Drawings for the \$2 *Instant MONOPOLY* scratch off game.

"When *Instant MONOPOLY* debuted last month, it zipped right past Go and shot to the top of our best-selling scratch off games," said Reagan E. Greer, Executive Director of the Texas Lottery Commission. "The Second Chance Drawings double the fun and make it an ever better value for our players."

Ponce plays lots of Texas Lottery scratch off games, but definitely ranks *Instant MONOPOLY* as her new favorite. She said she plans to pay off some bills and expects her two children to help her figure out what to do with the rest.

"My kids were more excited than me and they immediately wanted to find out what their cut would be," explained Ponce.

*Instant MONOPOLY* offers prizes in the following amounts: \$25,000, \$2,500, \$1,000, \$200, \$100, \$50, \$25, \$15, \$10, \$8, \$5, \$3 and \$2. The odds of winning any prize are one in 4.65, including break-even prizes. In addition, the Texas

Lottery will conduct four Second Chance Drawings to award a total of four Franklin Mint Collector's Edition *MONOPOLY* game boards plus cash and 1,840 *MONOPOLY* Merchandise Prize Packages.

To enter a Second Chance Drawing, players must complete the information on the back of two non-winning tickets and submit both entries by mail to *Instant MONOPOLY* Second Chance Drawing, 4287 Beltline Road, #370, Addison, TX 75001. The next *Instant MONOPOLY* Second Chance Drawing will be held September 10, 2004.

For more information about the Texas Lottery, please visit the official Texas Lottery Commission Web site at <http://www.txlottery.org>.