

BALTIMORE CITY BOARD OF LIQUOR LICENSE COMMISSIONERS

HEARING DISPOSITIONS

**THURSDAY, JULY 21, 2016
100 N. HOLLIDAY STREET, ROOM 215
BALTIMORE, MD 21202**

**Albert Matricciani, Jr., Chairperson
Aaron Greenfield, Commissioner
Dana P. Moore, Commissioner**

Regular Item – Application to Transfer Ownership 10:00 AM

Lavina, LLC, t/a Six Pax N More License # LA 027
6622 Belair Road, Baltimore MD 21206 2nd Councilmanic District (Scott)

Attorney for Applicant: Frank Boozer, Jr.

Application to transfer ownership of a Class “A” Beer, Wine & Liquor License to Nitinkumar Patel and Sarah High.

Public Notice of Transfer: Establishment was posted on June 20, 2016 and checked on July 1, 2016 thus meeting the 10-day posting rule. No letters of opposition or support were received by the Board at this time.

Corporate Standing: Lavina, LLC is an active Maryland corporation in good standing as of June 8, 2016.

Violations History: None.

Witnesses: Nitinkumar Patel – Applicant, Vernon Boozer – Attorney

Disposition: The Board has approved the transfer of the license to the applicant(s) by a 3-0 vote.

Regular Item – Request to add Outdoor Table Service 10:00 AM

HVS Hospitality, LLC, t/a Quarter House Tavern License # LBD7 191
801-803 S. Decker Street, Baltimore MD 21224 1st Councilmanic District (Kraft)

Attorney for Applicant: N/A

Request to add outdoor table service by Howard Staley and Mary-Beth Staley.

Public Notice of Transfer: Establishment was posted on June 6, 2016 and checked on June 20, 2016 thus meeting the 10-day posting rule. One letter of support was received. There were no letters of communication opposing the transfer.

Corporate Standing: HVS Hospitality, LLC is an active Maryland corporation in good standing as of June 16, 2016.

Violations History: None.

Witnesses: Howard Staley – Licensee

Disposition: The Board has approved the request of outdoor table service to the licensee(s) by a 3-0 vote.

Regular Item – Request to add Live Entertainment

10:00 AM

Cat’s Eye Pub, LTD, t/a Cat’s Eye Pub
1730 Thames Street, Baltimore MD 21231

License # LBD7 366
1st Councilmanic District (Kraft)

Attorney for Applicant: N/A

Request to add live entertainment by Ana Cushing and Anthony Cushing.

Public Notice of Transfer: Establishment was posted on June 2, 2016 and checked on June 13, 2016 thus meeting the 10-day posting rule. No letters of opposition or support were received by the Board at this time.

Corporate Standing: Cat’s Eye Pub, LTD is an active Maryland corporation in good standing as of August 4, 2016.

Violations History: None since 2008.

Witnesses: N/A

Disposition: This matter has been postponed for a future hearing date.

Regular Item – Application to Transfer Ownership

10:00 AM

Stardine, LLC, t/a Starlite Diner
510 E. Belvedere Avenue, Baltimore MD 21212

License # LB 139
4th Councilmanic District (Henry)

Attorney for Applicant: N/A

Application to transfer ownership of a Class “B” Beer, Wine & Liquor License and requesting outdoor table service to Leonard Clarke.

Public Notice of Transfer: Establishment was posted on June 8, 2016 and checked on June 20, 2016 thus meeting the 10-day posting rule. No letters of opposition or support were received by the Board at this time.

Corporate Standing: Stardine, LLC is an active Maryland corporation in good standing as of April 7, 2016.

Violations History: None.

Witnesses: Leonard Clarke – Applicant, Chrissy Taylor – Belvedere Improvement Association

Disposition: The Board has approved the transfer of the license to the applicant(s) by a 3-0 vote.

Regular Item – Request for a 180 Day Hardship Extension

10:00 AM

AAC HP Realty, LLC t/a N/A
Harborplace – 201 E. Pratt Street, Baltimore MD 21202

License # LB 337
11th Councilmanic District (Costello)

Attorney for Applicant: Caroline Hecker

Request for 180 day hardship extension by Yossi Preisserowicz (ss).

Public Notice of Transfer: N/A

Corporate Standing: AAC HP Realty, LLC is an active Maryland corporation in good standing as of August 16, 2016.

Violations History: None.

Witnesses: N/A

Disposition: This matter has been postponed for a future hearing date.

**Violations Docket – Violation of Article 2B § 12-108(d), Rule 3.02,
Rule 4.10 and Rule 3.12** **1:00 PM**

Union Centro Americana, LLC, t/a La Isla Taverna License # LBD7 134
3230 E. Fairmount Avenue, Baltimore MD 21224 1st Councilmanic District (Kraft)

Attorney for Applicant: Gary Maslan

Alleged violation of Article 2B § 12-108(d) (Minor in Possession of Alcoholic Beverage) when at approximately 11:20 p.m. on February 5, 2016 members of the Baltimore City Police Department and BLLC conducted an investigation when both parties observed individuals that seemed underage consuming alcoholic beverages, they were 17 and 18 years of age.

Alleged violation of Rule 3.02 (Cooperation) when at approximately 11:20 p.m. on February 5, 2016 members of the Baltimore City Police Department and BLLC conducted an investigation when the owner continuously stated the minors that were consuming alcoholic beverages were over 21 when they were underage.

Alleged violation of Rule 4.10 (False Statement) when at approximately 11:20 p.m. on February 5, 2016 members of the Baltimore City Police Department and BLLC conducted an investigation when the owner continuously stated the minors that were consuming alcoholic beverages were over 21 when they were underage.

Alleged violation of Rule 3.12 (General Welfare) when at approximately 11:20 p.m. on February 5, 2016 members of the Baltimore City Police Department and BLLC conducted an investigation when they observed minors consuming alcoholic beverages, but due to the amount of people in the bar not being able to produce identification to prove age the bar was closed.

Corporate Standing: Union Centro Americana, LLC is an active Maryland corporation not in good standing as of July 7, 2016.

Violations History: October 2, 2014 – Violation of Rule 4.05(a) and (b) (Prohibited Hours) – Fined \$925

March 27, 2014 – Violation of Rule 4.01(a) and Rule 3.03(c) – Fined \$625

Witnesses: Gerver Contreas – Licensee, Gary Maslan – Attorney, Det. Gatto – BCPD, John Chrissomallis – BLLC Inspector

Disposition: The Board dismissed the violation of Rule 3.02 and Rule 4.10. The Board has found that the licensee violated Article 2B § 12-108(d) and Rule 3.12 on February 5, 2016 and imposed a fine of \$1500 and an administrative fee of \$125, both payable within 30 days. The Board also voted to suspend the license for 2 days, commencing immediately.

**Violations Docket – Violation of Rule 3.02, Rule 3.12, and
Article 2B § 12-108(d)** **1:00 PM**

Ozturk, Inc., t/a Bosphorus License # LB 033
5716 York Road, Baltimore MD 21212 4th Councilmanic District (Henry)

Attorney for Applicant: N/A

Alleged violation of Rule 3.02 (Cooperation) when at approximately 12:56 a.m. on March 5, 2016 members of the Baltimore City Police Department, Baltimore City Fire Department, Baltimore Housing Department and BLLC conducted an investigation into the establishment but was denied entry to do a routine business check having both front and back doors locked with patrons inside.

Alleged violation of Rule 3.12 (General Welfare) when at approximately 12:56 a.m. on March 5, 2016 members of the Baltimore City Police Department, Baltimore City Fire Department, Baltimore Housing Department and BLLC conducted an investigation into the establishment but was denied entry to do a routine business check having both front and back doors locked with patrons inside causing no exit in case of an emergency.

Alleged violation of Article 2B § 12-108(d) (Minor in Possession of Alcoholic Beverages) when at approximately 12:56 a.m. on March 5, 2016 members of the Baltimore City Police Department, Baltimore City Fire Department, Baltimore Housing Department and BLLC conducted an investigation into the establishment and observed many individuals with partially consumed alcoholic beverages that were identified as minors.

Corporate Standing: Ozturk, Inc. is an active Maryland corporation in good standing as of July 4, 2016.

Violations History: November 20, 2014 – Violation of Rule 4.01 (Sales to Minors) – Fined \$625 and suspended for 1 month.

Witnesses: Cuneyt Ozturk – Licensee, Mr. Forrest – Patron, Cheikh Diop – Promoter, Inspector Dawson – Fire Inspector, Thomas Wahl – Housing Department, Det. Gatto – BCPD, John Chrissomallis – BLLC Inspector

Disposition: The Board dismissed the violation of Article 2B § 12-108(d). The Board has found that the licensee violated Rule 3.02 and Rule 3.12 on March 5, 2016 and imposed a fine of \$1250 and an administrative fee of \$125, both payable within 30 days.

Violations Docket – Violation of Rule 3.12

1:00 PM

Ultra Lounge, LLC, t/a Mirage

License # LBD7 121

401 W. Baltimore Street, Baltimore MD 21201

11th Councilmanic District (Costello)

Attorney for Applicant: N/A

Alleged violation of Rule 3.12 (General Welfare) when at approximately 12:30 a.m. on March 26, 2016 members of the BLLC and Baltimore City Police Department responded to a call for service when they observed a large crowd outside in front of the club impeding the flow of vehicular traffic and creating a public safety hazard, a fight broke out at 1:00 a.m. in front of the establishment.

Corporate Standing: Ultra Lounge, LLC is an active Maryland corporation in good standing as of July 4, 2016.

Violations History: September 18, 2014 – Violation of Rule 3.12, Rule 3.12(dismissed), Rule 4.18, Rule 3.06, Rule 3.02, Rule 3.12 and Rule 3.02 – Fined \$4,125

January 17, 2013 – Violation of Rule 3.02 and Rule 4.07 – Fined \$375
and suspended from Feb 16 – Feb 18

Witnesses: N/A

Disposition: This matter has been postponed for a future hearing date.

Violations Docket – Violation of Rule 3.08(a)

1:00 PM

N/A, t/a El Rancho Blanco

License # LBD7 328

100 S. Fagley Street, Baltimore MD 21224

2nd Councilmanic District (Scott)

Attorney for Applicant: Melvin Kodenski

Alleged violation of Rule 3.08(a) (Sanitation and Safety) when at approximately 11:00 p.m. on February 5, 2016 members of the Baltimore City Police Department and BLLC conducted an investigation when the parties observed customers within the location were using Hookah smoking devices and exposed wires with a missing electrical box, both are violations of the Baltimore City Housing Code.

Corporate Standing: N/A

Violations History: September 18, 2014 – Violation of Rule 3.12 – Suspended for 4 months

Witnesses: Lala Gonzalez – Employee/Manager, Melvin Kodenski – Attorney, Det. Greenfield – BCPD, John Chrissomallis – BLLC Inspector

Disposition: The Board has found that the licensee violated Rule 3.08(a) on February 5, 2016 and imposed a fine of \$100 and an administrative fee of \$125, both payable within 30 days.