

BALTIMORE CITY BOARD OF LIQUOR LICENSE COMMISSIONERS

HEARING DISPOSITIONS

**THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 3, 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 11:00 AM

Eapen, Inc., t/a One-Eyed Mike's License # LB 176
708 S. Bond Street, Baltimore MD 21231 1st Councilmanic District (Kraft)

Attorney for Applicant: Melvin Kodenski

Application to transfer ownership of a Class “B” Beer, Wine and Liquor License with continuation of outdoor table service to Akbar Vaiya, Susan Hormozi and Elaine Evans.

Public Notice of Transfer: Establishment was posted on September 19, 2016 and checked on September 28, 2016 thus meeting the 10-day posting rule. No letters of opposition or support were received by the Board at this time.

Corporate Standing: Eapen, Inc. is an active Maryland corporation in good standing as of October 20, 2016.

Violations History: None.

Witnesses: Akbar Vaiya – Applicant, Susan Mormozi – Applicant, Elaine Evans – Applicant, Melvin Kodenski – Attorney, Michael Marazitti – Former Owner

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

Regular Item – Application to Transfer Ownership and Location 11:00 AM

Manjit, Inc. Three, t/a Trade Name Pending License # LBD7 447
6130 Belair Road, Baltimore MD 21206 2nd Councilmanic District (Scott)

Attorney for Applicant: Dilip B. Paliath

Application to transfer ownership and location of a Class “BD7 Beer, Wine and Liquor license presently located at 6317-19 Belair Road to 6130 Belair Road to Praneet Sahni and Jahanne Bagwell.

Public Notice of Transfer: Establishment was posted on October 4, 2016 and checked on October 14, 2016 thus meeting the 10-day posting rule. No letters of opposition or support were received by the Board at this time.

Corporate Standing: Manjit, Inc. Three is an active Maryland corporation in good standing as of October 20, 2016.

Violations History: None.

Witnesses: Praneet Sahni – Applicant, Jahanne Bagwell – Applicant, Dillip Paliath – Attorney, Ronald Kowilz – Attorney for property at 6317-19 Belair Road, Casey Jenkins – Licensee of 6317-19 Belair Road, G Singh – Licensee of 6130 Belair Road

Disposition: The Board (Commissioner Moore recuses herself from this decision) approved the transfer of the license to the applicant(s) by a 2-0 vote.

Regular Item – Request to Add Outdoor Table Service

11:00 AM

Das Bier Haus, LLC, t/a Das Bier Haus
1542 Light Street, Baltimore MD 21230

License # LBD7 359
11th Councilmanic District (Costello)

Attorney for Applicant: Peter Prevas

Request to add outdoor table service by licensee(s) Nathan McKinney.

Public Notice of Transfer: Establishment was posted on October 4, 2016 and checked on October 17, 2016 thus meeting the 10-day posting rule. No letters of opposition or support were received by the Board at this time.

Corporate Standing: Das Bier Haus, LLC is an active Maryland corporation in good standing as of October 20, 2016.

Violations History: None.

Witnesses: Nathan McKinney – Licensee, Peter Prevas – Attorney

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

Regular Item – Request to Reopen after 90 Days and 180 Day

11:00 AM

Hardship Request

O & W Company, LLC, t/a Murphy’s Neighborhood Bar & Grill
5800 York Road, Baltimore MD 21212

License # LBD7 325
4th Councilmanic District (Henry)

Attorney for Applicant: Melvin Kodenski

Request to reopen after 90 days and 180 day hardship extension by licensee(s) Robert Wehner and Ronald Pruett.

Public Notice of Transfer: N/A

Corporate Standing: O & W Company, LLC is an active Maryland corporation not in good standing as of October 20, 2016.

Violations History: None.

Witnesses: Ronald Pruett – Licensee, Melvin Kodenski – Attorney, Bo Boozer – Attorney

Disposition: The Board approved the request for 180 day hardship extension to the licensee(s) by a 3-0 vote.

Violations Docket – Violation of Rule 4.20(c)(ii) and Rule 4.16

1:00 PM

SNS Liquor Corporation, t/a SNS Liquor
2135 E. North Avenue, Baltimore, MD 21213

License # LBD7 143
12th Councilmanic District (Stokes)

Attorney for Applicant: N/A

Alleged violation of Rule 4.20(c)(ii) (Class “BD7” Licensees: Open and Operating Tavern at all times) when at approximately 11:10 p.m. on July 28, 2016 members of the Baltimore City Police Department conducted a routine inspection and observed that the bar area/tavern portion of the establishment was not set up for patrons.

Alleged violation of Rule 4.16 (Illegal Conduct) when at approximately 12:04 p.m. on October 16, 2016 the BLLC reviews the status of the corporation (SNS Liquor Corporation) and found out that the entity was forfeited, along with not having a 2016-2017 Trader’s License.

Corporate Standing: SNS Liquor Corporation is a forfeited Maryland corporation not in good standing as of October 16, 2016.

Violations History: December 11, 2014 – Violation of Rule 5.03(a) (Operation of Class BD7), Rule 3.06 (Sanitation and Safety), Rule 3.07 (Restroom Facilities), and Rule 3.02 (Cooperation) – Fined \$3,125 with 10 day suspension.
October 4, 2012 – Violation of Rule 4.01(a) (Sales to Minor), Rule 4.18 (Indoor Smoking), and Rule 5.03 (Operation of Class BD7) – Fined \$975

Witnesses: N/A

Disposition: This matter was postponed for a future hearing date.

Violations Docket – Violation of Rule 4.20(c)(ii) 1:00 PM

Tiku’s Inc., t/a Smith’s Place License # LBD7 130
2006 Harford Road, Baltimore MD 21218 12th Councilmanic District (Stokes)

Attorney for Applicant: None.

Alleged violation of Rule 4.20(c)(ii) (Class “BD7” Licensees: Open and Operating Tavern at all times) when at approximately 10:25 p.m. on September 25, 2016 members of the Baltimore City Police Department conducted an undercover BD7 check and was denied entry to the tavern area of the establishment.

Corporate Standing: Tiku’s, Inc. is an active Maryland corporation in good standing as of October 16, 2016.

Violations History: January 12, 2016 – Violation of Rule 4.01(a) (Sales to Minor) – Fined \$625.

Witnesses: Modupeola Obayanju – Licensee, Adpkoya Obayanju – Licensee’s spouse, Det. Greenhill – BCPD, Det. Akinwande – BCPD

Disposition: The board has found that the licensee violated Rule 4.20(c)(ii) on September 25, 2016 and imposed a fine of \$1250 and an administrative fee of \$125, both payable within 30 days. (2-1 vote)

Violations Docket – Violation of Rule 4.20(c)(ii) 1:00 PM

ACA Liquors, Inc., t/a Eric 500 License # LBD7 151
500 E. North Avenue, Baltimore MD 21202 12th Councilmanic District (Stokes)

Attorney for Applicant: None.

Alleged violation of Rule 4.20(c)(ii) (Class “BD7” Licensees: Open and Operating Tavern at all times) when at approximately 10:10 p.m. on September 25, 2016 members of the Baltimore City Police Department conducted an undercover BD7 check and was denied entry to the tavern area of the establishment.

Corporate Standing: ACA Liquors, Inc. is an active Maryland corporation in good standing as of October 16, 2016.

Violations History: February 5, 2015 – Violation of Rule 4.01(a) (Sales to Minor) – Fined \$2,500 and suspended until April 30, 2015.

September 18, 2014 – Violation of Rule 3.12 (Public Welfare), Rule 4.18 (Illegal Conduct), Rule 3.12 (Public Welfare), and Rule 4.18 (Illegal Conduct) – Fined \$3,125 and suspended for 2 weeks.

August 7, 2014 – Violation of Rule 4.01(a) (Sales to Minor) – Fined \$1,625

October 4, 2012 – Violation of Rule 4.01(a) (Sales to Minor) – Fined \$625

Witnesses: Byoung Wook An – Licensee, Julian Min – translator for licensee (BCPD), Lowell Lawson – Community Member, Det. Greenhill – BCPD, Det. Akinwande – BCPD

Disposition: The board has found that the licensee violated Rule 4.20(c)(ii) on September 25, 2016 and imposed a fine of \$1500 and an administrative fee of \$125, both payable within 30 days.

Violations Docket – Violation of Rule 4.20(c)(ii)

1:00 PM

Yong’s Place, Inc., t/a M & M Discount Liquors

License # LBD7 335

5142 Park Heights Avenue, Baltimore MD 21215 6th Councilmanic District (Middleton)

Attorney for Applicant: Peter Prevas

Alleged violation of Rule 4.20(c)(ii) (Class “BD7” Licensees: Open and Operating Tavern at all times) when at approximately 2:00 p.m. on September 13, 2016 BLLC Inspectors conducted a BD7 check and observed that the lights in the tavern portion were switched off, alcohol stock was stacked in a public area, the sinks were dirty and boxes covered the rear exit door.

Corporate Standing: Yong’s Place, Inc. is an active Maryland corporation in good standing as of October 16, 2016.

Violations History: July 5, 2014 – Violation of Rule 4.01(a) (Sales to Minor) – Fined \$625

Witnesses: Hwan Yong – Licensee, Peter Prevas – Attorney, Robert Ganyant –

Councilman/Middleton Representative, Mark Fosler – BLLC Chief Inspector, Darryl Clark – BLLC Inspector

Disposition: The board has found that the licensee violated Rule 4.20(c)(ii) on September 13, 2016 and imposed a fine of \$1000 and an administrative fee of \$125, both payable within 30 days.

Violations Docket – Violation of Rule 4.05(a)

1:00 PM

Casa Luna Sports Bar, Inc., t/a Casa Luna Sports Bar

License # LBD7 316

500 S. Lehigh Street, Baltimore MD 21224

1st Councilmanic District (Kraft)

Attorney for Applicant: Shawn Harby

Alleged violation of Rule 4.05(a) (Prohibited Hours) when at approximately 2:00 a.m. on September 17, 2016 BLLC Inspectors conducted an inspection and noticed individuals enter the establishment after hours. At approximately 2:17 a.m. when BLLC gained entry, they observed 9 patrons with alcoholic beverages on the bar and in front of the patrons.

Corporate Standing: Casa Luna Sports Bar, Inc. is an active Maryland corporation in good standing as of October 16, 2016.

Violations History: August 21, 2014 – Violation of Rule 4.05(a), Rule 4.05(b), Rule 4.05(b), Article 2B Section 11-304(2), Article 2B Section 11-304(2), Article 2B Section 11-304(2), Article 2B 11-304(2), Article 2B 11-304(2), Rule 3.02, and Rule 3.02 – Fined \$3,625 and suspended for 2 weeks.

June 28, 2014 – Violation of Rule 4.05(a) (Serving after hours), and Article 2B Section 11-304(d)(2) (Activity after hours) – Fined \$625

Witnesses: Jose Luna – Licensee, Shawn Harby – Attorney, Andy Perez – Translator, Mark Fosler – BLLC Chief Inspector, John Chrissomallis – BLLC Inspector

Disposition: The board has found that the licensee violated Rule 4.05(a) on September 17, 2016 and imposed a fine of \$2500 and an administrative fee of \$125, both payable within 60 days. The Board also voted to suspend the license for 1 week, commencing immediately.