

BALTIMORE CITY BOARD OF LIQUOR LICENSE COMMISSIONERS

HEARING DISPOSITIONS

**THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 7, 2024
100 N. HOLLIDAY STREET, ROOM 215
BALTIMORE, MD 21202**

**Granville Templeton, Chairperson
Harvey Jones, Commissioner
Edward Reisinger, Commissioner**

Regular Item – Request for a 180-Day Hardship Extension 10:30 AM

Secured Creditor, T/a No Trade Name License # LB 348
2112 Fleet Street, Baltimore MD 21231 1st Councilmanic District (Cohen)

Attorney for Applicant(s): Melvin Kodenski

Request for a 180-day hardship extension by Mary Ann Owens.

Public Notice of Transfer: N/A

Corporate Standing: N/A

Location Violation History: None.

Witnesses: Mary Ann Owens – Licensee/Secured Creditor

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

Regular Item – Request for a 180-Day Hardship Extension 10:30 AM

Secured Creditor, T/a No Trade Name License # LBD7 398
2709-11 Washington Boulevard, Baltimore MD 21230 10th Councilmanic District (Porter)

Attorney for Applicant(s): Shawn Harby

Request for a 180-day hardship extension by Joseph Zorzit.

Public Notice of Transfer: N/A

Corporate Standing: N/A

Location Violation History: October 16, 2023 – Violation of Rule 3.03(a) (Records), Rule 3.03(c) (Records), Rule 3.03(d)(ii) (Records), and Rule 3.06(b) (Records) – Fined \$165

Witnesses: --

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

Regular Item – Request for a 90-Day Transfer Hardship Extension 10:30 AM

313 N Charles Food Group, LLC, T/a Trade Name Pending
313 N. Charles Street, Baltimore MD 21201 License # LBD7 274
11th Councilmanic District (Costello)

November 7, 2024

Attorney for Applicant(s): Stephan Fogleman

Request for a 90-day transfer hardship extension by Vugar Ismayilov and Victor L. Brundage, Jr.

Public Notice of Transfer: N/A

Corporate Standing: 313 N Charles Food Group, LLC is an active Maryland corporation not in good standing as of October 24, 2024.

Location Violation History: None since 2008.

Witnesses: --

Disposition: The Board has approved the request of a 90-day transfer hardship extension to the licensee(s) by a 3-0 vote.

Regular Item – Request for a 90-Day Transfer Hardship Extension **10:30 AM**

D Arce, LLC, T/a El Bar

License # LBD7 058

737 Carroll Street, Baltimore MD 21230

10th Councilmanic District (Porter)

Attorney for Applicant(s): Stephan Fogleman

Request for a 90-day transfer hardship extension by Francisco Gorduno Maldonado.

Public Notice of Transfer: N/A

Corporate Standing: D Arce, LLC is an active Maryland corporation in good standing as of October 24, 2024.

Location Violation History: None.

Witnesses: --

Disposition: The Board has approved the request of a 90-day transfer hardship extension to the licensee(s) by a 3-0 vote.

Regular Item – Application for New Class “D” Brewery License **10:30 AM**

Mystique Barrel Brewing, LLC, T/a Mystique Barrel Brewing & Lager House

912 Washington Boulevard, Baltimore MD 21230

License # N/A (new)

10th Councilmanic District (Porter)

Attorney for Applicant(s): Stephan Fogleman

Application for a new Class “D” Brewery license requesting off-premises catering to Thomas Pagano and Gavin Smith.

Public Notice of Transfer: Establishment was posted on October 2, 2024 and checked on October 12, 2024 thus meeting the 10-day posting rule. No letters of opposition or support were received by the Board at this time.

Corporate Standing: Mystique Barrel Brewing, LLC is an active Maryland corporation in good standing as of October 24, 2024.

Location Violation History: N/A; new license.

Witnesses: Thomas Pagano – Applicant, Gavin Smith – Applicant, Shareen Aarons – Citizens of Pigtown (in support)

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

Regular Item – Application for New Class “B” License

10:30 AM

Deeply Rooted Dining, LLC, T/a Rooted Rotisserie
1114-16 Hollins Street, Baltimore MD 21223

License # N/A (new)
9th Councilmanic District (Bullock)

Attorney for Applicant(s): Melvin Kodenski

Application for a new Class “B” Beer, Wine & Liquor restaurant license requesting off-premises catering and delivery of alcoholic beverages to Amanda Lousie Ngangana and Joseph Timothy Burton, Jr.

Public Notice of Transfer: Establishment was posted on October 2, 2024 and checked on October 12, 2024 thus meeting the 10-day posting rule. No letters of opposition or support were received by the Board at this time.

Corporate Standing: Deeply Rooted Dining, LLC is an active Maryland corporation in good standing as of October 24, 2024.

Location Violation History: N/A; new license.

Witnesses: Amanda Ngangana – Applicant, Joseph Burton, Jr. – Applicant

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

Regular Item – Application for New Class “B” License

10:30 AM

District Jerk, Inc., t/a Jerk at Nite
21 N. Eutaw Street, Baltimore MD 21201

License # N/A (new)
11th Councilmanic District (Costello)

Attorney for Applicant(s): Abrham Hurdle

Application for a new Class “B” Beer, Wine & Liquor restaurant license requesting live entertainment to Denville Myrie and Loic Samy.

Public Notice of Transfer: Establishment was posted on August 27, 2024 and checked on September 6, 2024 thus meeting the 10-day posting rule. No letters of opposition or support were received by the Board at this time.

Corporate Standing: District Jerk, Inc. is an active Maryland corporation in good standing as of October 24, 2024.

Location Violation History: N/A; new license.

Witnesses: Denville Myrie – Applicant, Loic Samy – Applicant

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

Regular Item – Application to Transfer Ownership

10:30 AM

Fred and Margies, LLC, t/a Fred & Margie’s
3603-05 Fairhaven Avenue, Baltimore MD 21226

License # LB 028
10th Councilmanic District (Porter)

Attorney for Applicant(s): Stephan Fogleman

Application to transfer ownership of a Class “B” Beer, Wine & Liquor License with continuation of live entertainment to Keshav Dahal and Larry Lair.

Public Notice of Transfer: Establishment was posted on August 28, 2024 and checked on September 9, 2024 thus meeting the 10-day posting rule. No letters of opposition or support were received by the Board at this time.

Corporate Standing: Fred and Margies, LLC is an active Maryland corporation in good standing as of October 24, 2024.

Location Violation History: None since 2017.

Witnesses: Keshav Dahal – Applicant, Larry Lair – Applicant

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

Violations Docket – Violation of Rule 4.07(3)

10:30 AM

Fielders, LLC, T/a Fielder’s Tavern
1184-86 Nanticoke Street, Baltimore MD 21230

License # LBD7 234
10th Councilmanic District (Porter)

Attorney for Licensee(s): N/A

Date of Violation: July 30, 2024

Time: 1:54 p.m.

Summary of Violation: At approximately 1:54 p.m. on July 30, 2024, members of the BLLC conducted an inspection at the establishment due to concerns about patrons of the establishment screaming throughout the night, fighting outside the tavern, drinking outside, and trash being thrown around. At the time of arrival, the inspector observed an individual exiting the establishment through the side door at the rear with what appeared to be an alcoholic beverage and proceeded to one of the tables to consume their drink. There was also a male patron already seated consuming a drink outside. The inspector proceeded inside the establishment and made contact with the bartender and asked to see all permits as well as the establishment’s liquor license to determine if they had outdoor table service. Upon review of the permits, it was determined that the establishment did not have Board approval for outdoor seating or outdoor table service and that the female sitting outside consuming their drink was an employee. The inspector instructed the bartender to remove all outdoor seating.

Alleged violation of: ● Rule 4.07(3) (Open Containers and Illegal Possession and Consumption of Alcoholic Beverages)

Corporate Standing: Fielders, LLC is an active Maryland corporation not in good standing as of October 24, 2024.

Location Violation History: May 9, 2024 – Violation of Rule 3.03(a) (Records) and Rule 4.08(a) (Relations with Wholesalers) – Fined \$325

Witnesses: Donte Summers – Manager, Cindy-Leigh Tudhope – BLLC Agent Inspector, Andy Perez – BLLC Agent Inspector, Councilwoman Porter – 10th District (in opposition), Shareen Aarons – Citizens of Pigtown (in opposition)

Disposition: The Board has found that the licensee violated Rule 4.07(3) on July 30, 2024 and imposed a fine of \$1,000 and an administrative fee of \$125, both payable within 30 days.

Violations Docket – Violation of Rule 4.05(2), Alc. Bev. & Can. Art. § 12-2007(a), Rule 3.03(3), Rule 3.09(2), Rule 4.18, Rule 3.02(a), Alc. Bev. & Can. Art. § 12-2007(a), Rule 3.03(3), Rule 3.08(1)(b), Rule 3.09(2), and Rule 4.18 **10:30 AM**

New Club Thunderbird, Inc., t/a Club Thunderbird License # LBD7 384
2201 E. Chase Street, Baltimore MD 21213 13th Councilmanic District (Glover)

Attorney for Licensee(s): Peter Prevas

Date of Violation: May 31, 2024

Time: 11:35 p.m.

Summary of Violation: At approximately 11:35 p.m. on May 31, 2024, members of the BLLC began to make observations of the exterior of the establishment to determine if they were operating within the scope of their limited hours of 9:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m. as set by Maryland Alcoholic Beverages & Cannabis Article 12-2204. Upon arrival, the inspectors observed lights to be on in the interior and exterior of the establishment and voices could be heard coming from inside. The inspector observed two male individuals drinking on the second-floor staircase and asked them if the establishment was open. They stated yes and to just go through the front door as it was open. Upon entering the establishment, it was found to be open and operating with approximately 10 people seated at the bar and tables with drinks in front of them. The inspector observed multiple people smoking charcoal hookah. The inspector made contact with the bartender/manager and asked them to produce permits and informed them that the establishment was not permitted to be open and operating past 10:00 p.m. as stated on their liquor license and instructed the establishment to close.

Alleged violation of: ● Rule 4.05(2) (Prohibited Hours)

Date of Violation: June 28, 2024

Time: 10:55 p.m.

Summary of Violation: At approximately 10:55 p.m. on June 28, 2024, members of the BLLC began to observe the exterior of the establishment to determine if they were operating within the scope of the limited hours of 9:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m. set by MD Alcoholic Beverages & Cannabis Article § 12-2004. Upon arrival, the inspectors observed lights to be on within the interior and exterior of the establishment and voices could be heard coming from inside the establishment with the exterior door unlocked. Upon entering the establishment, it was found to be open and operating with approximately 6 people seated at the bar. The inspector spoke with the bartender and asked them to produce the establishments permits and licenses while reminding the bartender they are not permitted to be open and operating past 10:00 p.m. as stated on the liquor license. The bartender stated that everyone seated were employees and one person was the cook. The inspector asked to see employee records to verify that the people inside were employees and the bartender stated that they did not have any employee records. The inspector then asked to see their health permit as the inspector did not recall the establishment having a kitchen and wanted to verify if they were allowed to prepare food inside. The bartender was unable to produce any health permit, and upon further inspection the inspector found a new kitchen on the first floor where food was clearly being prepared.

Alleged violation of: ● MD Alcoholic Beverages & Cannabis Article § 12-2007(a)

- Rule 3.03(3) (Records)
- Rule 3.09(2) (Rest Room Facilities and Health Regulations)
- Rule 4.18 (Alterations)

Date of Violation: July 5, 2024

Time: 9:50 p.m.

Summary of Violation: At approximately 9:50 p.m. on July 5, 2024, members of the BLLC along with the Social Club Task Force consisting of members from the Baltimore City Fire Department and Department of Housing and Community Development, conducted an investigation at the establishment. While outside of the establishment, the inspector observed the establishment's exterior lights being turned off and a large group leaving through the front door. At the time, the inspector believed that the establishment closed for the night. At approximately 10:15 p.m., the Housing inspector informed the inspector that they were parked across the street and observed people entering the establishment. At approximately 10:19 p.m., the inspectors entered the establishment and found it to be open and operating with approximately 6 people seated at the bar and one person smoking charcoal hookah. The inspector approached the bartender and asked if they were aware that the establishment should be closed. The bartender proceeded to call the manager, who came downstairs to speak to the inspectors. The inspectors informed the manager that the establishment was not permitted to be open and operating past 10:00 p.m. as stated on their liquor license. The manager stated that everyone seated were employees of the establishment, and the inspector asked to see employee records. The manager stated that they did not have any employee records as they were "rotating bartenders". The inspector reminded the manager that on June 28, 2024 they were required to keep employee records onsite. The inspector asked the manager if they have gotten the health permit, that they need in order to serve ice and utilize the new kitchen. The manager stated they did not know they needed one and claimed the inspector did not inform them of this requirement, but also stated that they do not use the kitchen but that it was for personal use. At this time, the manager started becoming combative and used profanity to the bartender regarding the inspector. The inspector informed the manager that a violation would be issued and proceeded outside. A patron was outside and asked if they could go back inside, the inspector stated that the establishment was closed.

Alleged violation of:

- Rule 3.02(a) (Cooperation)
- MD Alcoholic Beverages & Cannabis Article § 12-2007(a)
- Rule 3.03(3) (Records)
- Rule 3.08(1)(b) (Sanitation and Safety)
- Rule 3.09(2) (Rest Room Facilities and Health Regulations)
- Rule 4.18 (Alterations)

Corporate Standing: New Club Thunderbird, Inc. is an active Maryland corporation not in good standing as of October 24, 2024.

Location Violation History: November 9, 2023 – Violation of Rule 4.05(a) (Prohibited Hours) and Rule 3.01 (Ownership and Operation) – No fine assessed, just \$125 admin fee and suspended 7 days.

March 23, 2023 – Violation of Alc. Bev. Art. 12-2004(c)(4) (Dismissed), Rule 4.05 (Prohibited Hours – Dismissed), Alc. Bev. Art. 12-2004(c)(4) (Dismissed), Rule 4.05 (Prohibited Hours – Dismissed), Rule 3.03(c) (Records – Dismissed), Rule 3.02 (Cooperation – Dismissed), Alc. Bev. Art. 12-2004(c)(4) (Dismissed), Rule 4.05 (Prohibited Hours – Dismissed), and Rule 3.02 (Cooperation – Dismissed) – All charges dismissed due to compliance with Board’s requests stated on the record from 2/9/2023 hearing; no admin fee assessed

October 20, 2020 – Violation of Alc. Bev. Art. 12-2004(c)(4) and Rule 4.05 (Prohibited Hours) – Fined \$625

Witnesses: Rodnaya Williams – Operator, Cindy-Leigh Tudhope – BLLC Agent Inspector, Rosalba Jordan – BLLC Inspector, Zain Nazir – BLLC Inspector, Investigator Irving – Baltimore City Housing and Community Development

Disposition: The Board has found that the licensee violated Rule 4.05(2) on May 31, 2024, Alc. Bev. & Can. Art. § 12-2007(a), Rule 3.03(3), Rule 3.09(2), and Rule 4.18 on June 28, 2024, Rule 3.02(a), Alc. Bev. & Can. Art. § 12-2007(a), Rule 3.03(3), Rule 3.08(1)(b), Rule 3.09(2), and Rule 4.18 on July 5, 2024 and imposed a fine of \$11,000 and an administrative fee of \$125, both payable within 30 days. The Board also voted to suspend the license for 30 days, to begin on November 8, 2024.

Violations Docket – Violation of Rule 3.12

10:30 AM

Miss Cater’s Place, LLC, t/a Miss Carter’s Place
101 W. Lexington Street, Baltimore MD 21201

License # LB 327
11th Councilmanic District (Costello)

Attorney for Licensee(s): N/A

Date of Violation: May 22, 2024

Time: 10:44 p.m.

Summary of Violation: At approximately 10:44 p.m. on May 22, 2024, members of the BLLC responded to a 311 service call complaint for disturbing the peace, noise, loud music, and front door was open, and that it is extremely loud every Wednesday night well after 10:00 p.m. When the inspector was driving past the establishment, they could hear music playing at an extremely loud volume and observed approximately 20 people standing in the general area around the establishment. The inspector drive to the corner of N. Howard Street and Lexington Street about two city blocks away and could still hear the music playing with her window down and car turned off. The inspector made contact with the licensee, informed them of the complaint, and instructed them to turn down the music and not allow people to drink outside if not seated.

Alleged violation of: ● Rule 3.12 (General Welfare)

Corporate Standing: Miss Cater’s Place, LLC is an active Maryland corporation in good standing as of October 24, 2024.

Location Violation History: None.

Witnesses: Cia Carter – Licensee, Cindy-Leigh Tudhope – BLLC Agent Inspector

Disposition: The Board has found that the licensee violated Rule 3.12 on May 22, 2024 and imposed a fine of \$150 and an administrative fee of \$125, both payable within 30 days.

Violations Docket – Violation of Alc. Bev. & Can. Art. § 12-2007(a), Rule 3.03(3), and Rule 4.20(b)(i) 10:30 AM

Pimlico Bar & Liquor, LLC, T/a Pimlico Bar & Liquor License # LBD7 170
5117 Park Heights Avenue, Baltimore MD 21215 6th Councilmanic District (Middleton)

Attorney for Licensee(s): Melvin Kodenski

Date of Violation: July 2, 2024

Time: 10:20 p.m.

Summary of Violation: At approximately 10:20 p.m. on July 2, 2024, members of the arrived at the establishment and found the establishment to be open with numerous customers observed inside the packaged goods area outside of the permitted hours of 9:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m. as set by Maryland Alcoholic Beverages & Cannabis Article 12-2204. As the inspectors entered the location, and employee was in the process of ringing up a customer. The employee could not produce an ID for themselves or employee records for the business. An inspection of the establishment revealed that the tavern area was being used for overflow storage, as items of empty boxes, food and alcohol merchandise, cleaning supplies, and random miscellaneous items were observed. The inspector informed the employee that the establishment was being issued a violation.

Alleged violation of: ● MD Alcoholic Beverages & Cannabis Article § 12-2007(a)
● Rule 3.03(3) (Records)
● Rule 4.20(b)(i) (Specific Requirements and Prohibited Activities by License Type)

Corporate Standing: Pimlico Bar & Liquor, LLC is an active Maryland corporation in good standing as of October 24, 2024.

Location Violation History: October 14, 2021 – Violation of Rule 4.01(a) (Sales to Minors) – Fined \$625

Witnesses: Adnan Murad – Licensee, Rosalba Jordan – BLLC Inspector, Cindy-Leigh Tudhope – BLLC Agent Inspector

Disposition: The Board has found that the licensee violated Alc. Bev. & Can. Art. § 12-2007(a), Rule 3.03(3) and Rule 4.20(b)(i) on July 2, 2024 and imposed a fine of \$750 and an administrative fee of \$125, both payable within 30 days.

Violations Docket – Violation of Rule 4.07(3) 10:30 AM

Portriver, Inc., T/a Outpost Tavern License # LBD7 346
1030-32 Riverside Avenue, Baltimore MD 21230 11th Councilmanic District (Costello)

Attorney for Licensee(s): Frank Shaulis

Date of Violation: August 21, 2024

Time: 7:20 p.m.

Summary of Violation: At approximately 7:20 p.m. on August 21, 2024, members of the BLLC arrived at the establishment to perform a routine inspection of the establishment. At the time of

inspection, the inspector noticed several patrons consuming alcoholic beverages while seated at outdoor tables. After reviewing the liquor license and permits, the inspector determined that the BLLC had not granted the establishment outdoor table service privileges. The inspector shared their findings with the manager and asked if they would provide any documentation demonstrating that they had permission for outdoor table service. The manager could not provide any documentation. The inspector advised the manager that a violation would be issued and to cease all outdoor table service immediately.

Alleged violation of: ● Rule 4.07(3) (Open Containers and Illegal Possession and Consumption of Alcoholic Beverages)

Corporate Standing: Portriver, Inc. is an active Maryland corporation in good standing as of October 24, 2024.

Location Violation History: None.

Witnesses: N/A

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

Violations Docket – Violation of Rule 3.12, Rule 4.07(3), Rule 3.01(1), and Rule 3.05(2) 10:30 AM

Mystic T & M, Inc., T/a Mystic Tavern
2949 Frederick Avenue, Baltimore MD 21223

License # LBD7 276
10th Councilmanic District (Porter)

Attorney for Licensee(s): N/A

Date of Violation: August 30, 2024

Time: 10:50 p.m.

Summary of Violation: At approximately 10:50 p.m. on August 30, 2024, members of the BLLC along with the Social Club Task Force consisting of members from the Baltimore City Fire Department and Department of Housing and Community Development, conducted an investigation at the establishment, as they have received information that the establishment was open using a gas generator to operate. Upon arrival, the inspectors observed a group of approximately five individuals sitting under a canopy with a table and chairs outside on the sidewalk. The inspectors proceeded inside the establishment to conduct a full routine inspection. The inspectors made contact with the manager, who identified themselves as the licensee's husband. The inspectors asked the manager if they had a recent alcohol beverage purchase and an alcohol awareness certificate and the manager stated that their wife, the licensee, did all the paperwork and did not know where that information was kept. The inspector then observed a female come inside and take what appeared to be an alcoholic beverage off the bar and place it under their shirt and proceed outside with the drink. Upon seeing that action, the inspector asked the manager if they allowed people to drink outside although they did not have permission for outdoor seating on the liquor license. The manager stated that they had used the area outside for a while and nobody had ever instructed them to not allow people outside to drink. While finishing up the BLLC paperwork, the Fire Marshall's informed the manager that they would be closing the establishment immediately since they were operating without power and using a generator which caused unsafe conditions.

- Alleged violation of:**
- Rule 3.12 (General Welfare)
 - Rule 4.07(3) (Open Containers and Illegal Possession and Consumption of Alcoholic Beverages)
 - Rule 3.03(1) (Records)
 - Rule 3.05(2) (Alcohol Awareness Certification)

Corporate Standing: Mystic T & M, Inc. is an active Maryland corporation in good standing as of October 24, 2024.

Location Violation History: None since 2019.

Witnesses:

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

Violations Docket – Violation of Rule 3.09(2), Rule 3.08(1)(a), and Rule 3.03(4)(ii) 10:30 AM

Anonymous Ventures, LLC, T/a The Anonymous License # LB 216
1225 Cathedral Street, Baltimore MD 21201 11th Councilmanic District (Costello)

Attorney for Licensee(s): N/A

Date of Violation: August 30, 2024

Summary of Violation: On August 30, 2024, members of the BLLC along with the Social Club Task Force consisting of members from the Baltimore City Fire Department and Department of Housing and Community Development, conducted a joint investigation at the establishment. The inspectors observed several patrons smoking charcoal hookahs throughout the premises and observed that an emergency exit for the establishment was blocked by a disc jockey who had their equipment set up on the egress access. In addition to these observations, the establishment also had an expired Trader's license from 2023 on display and the 2024 Trader's license could not be produced upon request.

- Alleged violation of:**
- Rule 3.09(2) (Rest Room Facilities and Health Regulations)
 - Rule 3.08(1)(a) (Sanitation and Safety)
 - Rule 3.03(4)(ii) (Records)

Corporate Standing: Anonymous Ventures, LLC is an active Maryland corporation in good standing as of October 24, 2024.

Location Violation History: None.

Witnesses: N/A

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

Violations Docket – Violation of Rule 4.14 and Rule 4.15 10:30 AM

Precision Ventures, LLC, T/a Republic Bar & Grill License # LBD7 376
5603 Pulaski Highway, Baltimore MD 21205 2nd Councilmanic District (McCray)

Attorney for Licensee(s): Stephan Fogleman

Date of Violation: August 27, 2024 **Time:** 1:05 a.m.

Summary of Violation: At approximately 1:05 a.m. on August 27, 2024, members of the BLLC conducted an investigation of the establishment per a recent complaint that the establishment offered adult entertainment in the form of female strippers, allowed hookah smoking, and underage drinking. While at the premises, the inspectors observed a female dancer with exposed breasts performing a lap dance during which they simulated a sexual act with a male patron who was seated at the bar. In addition to the dancer, the inspectors observed a disc jockey performing with full DJ equipment, which included a laptop, turntables, and mixers. After a review of the liquor license, it was determined that the establishment did not have authorization for live entertainment and did not possess and Adult Entertainment license.

Alleged violation of: ● Rule 4.14 (Live Entertainment without Authorization)
● Rule 4.15 (Sexual Practices and Obscenity)

Corporate Standing: Precision Ventures, LLC is an active Maryland corporation not in good standing as of October 24, 2024.

Location Violation History: None.

Witnesses: N/A

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

Violations Docket – Violation of Rule 4.01(2)

10:30 AM

Annapurna108, LLC, T/a Good Vibes Restaurant & Bar
2903 O'Donnell Street, Baltimore MD 21224

License # LBD7 175
1st Councilmanic District (Cohen)

Attorney for Licensee(s): Abraham Hurdle

Date of Violation: August 31, 2024

Time: 11:00 p.m.

Summary of Violation: At approximately 11:00 p.m. on August 31, 2024, members of the BLLC responded to the establishment to investigate complaints about outdoor crowds. Upon arrival, the inspectors determined that the establishment was open and operating and no crowds were observed. The inspectors noticed that the establishment's security personnel were not checking ID's. Six females who appeared to be under the age of 21 were seated at the table next to the window with shot glasses and mixed drinks in front of them. Given the inspector's knowledge and experience, they believed that the beverages appeared to be alcoholic drinks. The inspectors asked the females for their ID's. They looked around frantically and then got up and left the establishment without paying and without providing their identifications for inspection. The Chief inspector spoke to the manager who indicated that the ladies' ID's were not checked because they arrived before security began checking ID's at 9:00 p.m.

Alleged violation of: ● Rule 4.01(2) (Furnishing Minors)

Corporate Standing: Annapurna108, LLC is an active Maryland corporation in good standing as of October 24, 2024.

Location Violation History: None.

Witnesses: Keosha Jenkins – Licensee, Andy Perez – BLLC Agent Inspector, Cindy-Leigh Tudhope – BLLC Agent Inspector, Regina Brown – BLLC Inspector, John Chrissomallis – BLLC Chief Inspector

Disposition: The Board has found that the licensee violated Rule 4.01(2) on August 31, 2024 and imposed a fine of \$150 and an administrative fee of \$125, both payable within 30 days.

Violations Docket – Violation of Rule 3.03(1)

10:30 AM

Lobo, LLC, T/a Lobo

License # LD 016

1900 Aliceanna Street, Baltimore MD 21231

1st Councilmanic District (Cohen)

Attorney for Licensee(s): Stephan Fogleman

Date of Violation: August 14, 2024

Time: 7:15 p.m.

Summary of Violation: At approximately 7:15 p.m. on August 14, 2024, members of the BLLC arrived at the establishment to conduct an inspection following up from a previous inspection conducted on June 4, 2024 where the employee could not provide an alcohol awareness certificate, alcoholic beverage invoices, and their Trader’s license. During the follow-up inspection, the inspector found that the establishment had their Trader’s license and alcohol awareness certificate displayed. The inspector spoke to an employee who was unable to produce any alcoholic beverage invoices and proceeded to take pictures of the liquor behind the bar, focusing on bottles that were full or appeared to be recently opened.

Alleged violation of: ● Rule 3.03(1) (Records)

Corporate Standing: Lobo, LLC is an active Maryland corporation in good standing as of October 24, 2024.

Location Violation History: None since 2020.

Witnesses: James Hubbard, III – Licensee, Rosalba Jordan – BLLC Inspector

Disposition: The Board has found that the licensee violated Rule 3.03(1) on August 14, 2024 and imposed a fine of \$500 and an administrative fee of \$125, both payable within 30 days.

Violations Docket – Violation of Rule 4.20(b) and Rule 4.18(1)

10:30 AM

Chopper’s Lounge, Inc., T/a Capital Lounge

License # LBD7 150

1531 Pennsylvania Avenue, Baltimore MD 21217

11th Councilmanic District (Costello)

Attorney for Licensee(s): N/A

Date of Violation: September 5, 2024

Summary of Violation: On September 5, 2024, members of the BLLC went to the establishment to conduct a routine inspection. Upon entering the tavern area, the inspectors saw a great amount of dust and debris which suggested that the area had not been used in some time. The inspector asked the employee on duty if the tavern area was open, and the employee said no. The inspector advised the employee that the tavern must be open when the package goods area is open to be in compliance with the law and BLLC regulations. The inspector went to the second floor and saw that the entire floor was being renovated as walls were torn down and the upstairs bar had been removed. The employee called the owner via telephone and the inspector asked the owner if they had permission from the BLLC to renovate the second-floor bar and they advised that they did not know they needed to get permission. The inspector also advised the licensee

that the tavern area must be open when the package goods area is open, and the establishment would be receiving a violation.

Alleged violation of: ● Rule 4.20(b) (Specific Requirements and Prohibited Activities by License Type)
● Rule 4.18(1) (Alterations)

Corporate Standing: Chopper's Lounge, Inc. is an active Maryland corporation in good standing as of October 24, 2024.

Location Violation History: None since 2013.

Witnesses: Raymond Nelson – Licensee, Reigna Brown – BLLC Inspector, George Ellis – BLLC Inspector

Disposition: The Board has found that the licensee violated Rule 4.20(b) and Rule 4.18(1) on September 5, 2024 and imposed a fine of \$300 and an administrative fee of \$125, both payable within 30 days. (Chairman Templeton recluses himself from this decision)

Violations Docket – Violation of Rule 3.08(b), Rule 3.09(1), and Rule 4.16 10:30 AM

Jano Ethiopian Restaurant & Lounge, LLC, T/a Jano Ethiopia

34 S. Eutaw Street, Baltimore MD 21201

License # LB 157

11th Councilmanic District (Costello)

Attorney for Licensee(s): N/A

Date of Violation: September 7, 2024

Time: 11:45 p.m.

Summary of Violation: At approximately 11:45 p.m. on September 7, 2024, members of the BLLC arrived at the establishment to conduct a routine inspection. Upon arrival, the inspectors made their way to the second floor where they were confronted by a strong odor of smoke. On the second floor, there was an observation of people smoking charcoal hookah and cigarettes. The inspectors then made their way into the kitchen which was also located on the second floor and was discovered to not be in operating condition. The owner advised the inspectors that the cook was off from work that day, but the kitchen was dirty and in unsatisfactory condition with ladders and a TV hanging around. Also, it was discovered that the restrooms were dirty, and the woman's restroom was out of toilet paper, hand soap, and paper towels.

Alleged violation of: ● Rule 3.08(b) (Sanitation and Safety)
● Rule 3.09(1) (Rest Room Facilities and Health Regulation)
● Rule 4.16 (Illegal Conduct)

Corporate Standing: Jano Ethiopian Restaurant & Lounge, LLC is an active Maryland corporation in good standing as of October 24, 2024.

Location Violation History: March 23, 2023 – Violation of Rule 3.06(b) (Signs and Hours of Operation), Rule 3.08(a) (Sanitation and Safety), Rule 3.09(b) (Rest Room Facilities and Health Regulations), Rule 4.16 (Illegal Conduct), Rule 4.16 (Illegal Conduct) and Rule 4.20(b) (Prohibited Activities by License Type: Class B Licensees: Functional Kitchen) – Fined \$725

Witnesses: N/A

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

Violations Docket – Violation of Rule 3.08(b), Rule 3.09(1), Rule 4.20(b), Rule 3.09(2), Rule 3.03(3), and Rule 4.17(2) 10:30 AM

MK & K, Inc., T/a Chuma's Discount Liquor & Cuisine License # LBD7 300
5142 Park Heights Avenue, Baltimore MD 21215 6th Councilmanic District (Middleton)

Attorney for Licensee(s): N/A

Date of Violation: September 11, 2024

Summary of Violation: On September 11, 2024, members of the BLLC went to the establishment to conduct a routine inspection. Once inside the establishment, the inspectors were greeted by a young lady and a gentleman who indicated they were not an employee, but a friend of the licensee. While checking the license, the inspector asked the gentleman where the tavern was, and the gentleman responded they didn't have one. The inspector walked to the rear of the establishment and found the tavern area. The inspector informed the gentleman that the tavern has to be open while the packaged goods area is open, they responded that they did not know that. While inspecting the tavern, the inspector noticed that the three-compartment sink was not filled, the stools were stacked on the freezer, the furniture was on the bar, the alcohol on the bar had dust on them and none of the bottles were opened.

Alleged violation of:

- Rule 3.08(b) (Sanitation and Safety)
- Rule 3.09(1) (Rest Room Facilities and Health Regulations)
- Rule 4.20(b) (Specific Requirements and Prohibited Activities by License Type)
- Rule 3.09(2) (Rest Room Facilities and Health Regulations)
- Rule 3.03(3) (Records)
- Rule 4.17(2) (Storage)

Corporate Standing: MK & K, Inc. is an active Maryland corporation in good standing as of October 24, 2024.

Location Violation History: None since 2007.

Witnesses: N/A

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

Violations Docket – Violation of Rule 3.03(4), Rule 4.17(2), and Rule 3.02(a) 10:30 AM

Chiza's & Company, Inc., T/a Curley's Liquors License # LA 146
5200 Reisterstown Road, Baltimore MD 21215 6th Councilmanic District (Middleton)

Attorney for Licensee(s): N/A

Date of Violation: September 16, 2024

Time: 10:00 p.m.

Summary of Violation: At approximately 10:00 p.m. on September 16, 2024, members of the BLLC arrived at the establishment to conduct an inspection following up from a previous inspection conducted on August 16, 2024 where the employee could not provide the Trader's

license, had inventory on the ground, and a large amount of cardboard refuse stored inside the establishment. The inspector followed up with the establishment has the licensee had failed to reach out the inspector as promised. Upon inspection, the employee did not have the Trader's license, and the back room had not been improved as inventory was still directly on the floor and there was an excess amount of cardboard there.

Alleged violation of: ● Rule 3.03(4) (Records)
● Rule 4.17(2) (Storage)
● Rule 3.02(a) (Cooperation)

Corporate Standing: Chiza's & Company, Inc. is an active Maryland corporation in good standing as of October 24, 2024.

Location Violation History: None since 2008.

Witnesses: N/A

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

**Violations Docket – Violation of Rule 3.03(4), Rule 4.17(2), Rule 3.05(2), 10:30 AM
Rule 4.18, and Rule 3.02(b)**

ESG Holdings, Inc., T/a Gani's Wine & Spirits
601 N. Carey Street, Baltimore MD 21217

License # LA 167
9th Councilmanic District (Bullock)

Attorney for Licensee(s): N/A

Date of Violation: September 16, 2024

Summary of Violation: On September 16, 2024, members of the BLLC conducted a follow-up to a routine inspection at the establishment conducted on August 27, 2024 when the inspector spoke to the licensee via telephone to make them aware that the Trader's license was not displayed or available to be presented and that the alcohol awareness certificate had expired. The licensee agreed to follow up and provide the aforementioned documents to be in compliance. During the follow-up inspection, the employee contacted the licensee to inform them that the inspector had returned to the establishment to follow-up on the request of documents. A violation was issued for failing to produce a Trader's license and alcohol awareness certificate. On September 17, 2024, the inspector received an email with proof of the alcohol awareness training certificate. However, the establishment was observed to be going through some alterations which were not previously approved by the Board. When the inspector inquired about the alterations, the inspector was informed that they were in the process of renovating with plans to offer food in the future. They inspector advised that any changes needed to be approved by the appropriate City agencies. Due to the renovations, merchandise was being stored directly on the ground and not 6 inches off the floor.

Alleged violation of: ● Rule 3.03(4) (Records)
● Rule 4.17(2) (Storage)
● Rule 3.05(2) (Alcohol Awareness Certification)
● Rule 4.18 (Alterations)
● Rule 3.02(b) (Cooperation)

Corporate Standing: ESG Holdings, Inc. is an active Maryland corporation in good standing as of October 24, 2024.

Location Violation History: None.

Witnesses: Ebony Gill – Licensee, Rosalba Jordan – BLLC Inspector

Disposition: The Board has found that the licensee violated Rule 3.03(4), Rule 4.17(2), Rule 3.05(2), Rule 4.18, and Rule 3.02(b) on September 16, 2024 and imposed a fine of \$500 and an administrative fee of \$125, both payable within 30 days.

Violations Docket – Violation of Rule 4.14

10:30 AM

Fells Point Venture, LLC, T/a Choptank Restaurant
1641 Aliceanna Street, #105, Baltimore MD 21231

License # LB 038
1st Councilmanic District (Cohen)

Attorney for Licensee(s): Anastasia Thomas Nardangeli

Date of Violation: August 24, 2024

Time: 11:25 a.m.

Summary of Violation: At approximately 11:25 a.m. on August 24, 2024, members of the BLLC received a 311 complaint for disturbing the peace/noise/loud music/front door open and the complainant also stated that there was a musician on an outdoor stage with amplified music that could be heard from beyond 50 feet. The inspectors responded to the establishment at approximately 1:15 p.m. and found the establishment to be open and operating and could hear music playing from the front of the establishment. Upon entering the establishment, the inspector asked to speak to the manager and made them aware of the 311 complaint and asked to see the liquor license. While walking back with the manager to retrieve the license, the inspector observed a musician playing a guitar just outside of the establishment on what appeared to be a temporary stage area. The musician was using amplified equipment that appeared to be connected to the establishment's outdoor speakers. Upon review of the license, the inspector noted that the establishment does have live entertainment inside but does not have board approval for outdoor live entertainment. The inspector issued a violation and instructed the manager to move the musician inside and to lower the outdoor speaker.

Alleged violation of: ● Rule 4.14 – Live Entertainment without Authorization

Corporate Standing: Fells Point Venture, LLC is an active Maryland corporation in good standing as of October 24, 2024.

Location Violation History: January 28, 2021 – Protest of Renewal; Voted to Renew (3-0 vote)

Witnesses: Alexander Smith – Licensee, Cindy-Leigh Tudhope – BLLC Agent Inspector

Disposition: The Board has found that the licensee violated Rule 4.14 on August 24, 2024 and imposed a fine of \$150 and an administrative fee of \$125, both payable within 30 days.

Violations Docket – Violation of Rule 4.14 and Rule 4.16

10:30 AM

Castle Seafood, Inc., T/a Castle Seafood Restaurant
3720 Potee Street, Baltimore MD 21225

License # LB 325
10th Councilmanic District (Porter)

Attorney for Licensee(s): Melvin Kodenski

Date of Violation: September 1, 2024

Summary of Violation: On September 1, 2024, members of the BLLC were instructed to visit locations throughout the city having events during Labor Day weekend. Upon their arrival at the establishment, the inspectors could hear loud music playing. When the inspectors entered the patio area, they noted a DJ playing music from a laptop with 2 loudspeakers. The inspectors then entered the restaurant and noticed that the bartenders were selling hookah. The inspector spoke to the manager and advised that a violation would be written.

Alleged violation of: ● Rule 4.14 – Live Entertainment without Authorization
● Rule 4.16 – Illegal Conduct

Corporate Standing: Castle Seafood, Inc. is an active Maryland corporation in good standing as of October 24, 2024.

Location Violation History: June 27, 2024 – Violation of Rule 3.12 (General Welfare), Rule 3.08(a) (Sanitation and Safety), Rule 3.09(b) (Rest Room Facilities and Health Regulations), and Rule 4.16 (Illegal Conduct) – Fined \$6,125

November 16, 2023 – Violation of Rule 4.14(a) (Live Entertainment without Authorization), Rule 4.16 (Illegal Conduct), Rule 4.18 (Alterations), Rule 4.16 (Illegal Conduct), Rule 4.14(a) (Live Entertainment without Authorization), and Rule 4.16 (Illegal Conduct) – Fined \$3,125

September 7, 2024 – Violation of Rule 4.14(a) (Live Entertainment without Authorization), Rule 4.16 (Illegal Conduct), Rule 4.18 (Alterations), and Rule 4.16 (Illegal Conduct) – Fined \$925

October 20, 2022 – Violation of Rule 4.05 (Prohibited Hours – Dismissed), Rule 3.08(a) (Sanitation and Safety – Dismissed), Rule 3.02 (Cooperation), Rule 3.12 (General Welfare – Dismissed), and Rule 4.16 (Illegal Conduct) – Fined \$1,125

Witnesses: Xianting Cao – Licensee, Jason Rosario – Licensee, Regina Brown – BLLC Inspector, John Chrissomallis – BLLC Chief Inspector, Zain Nazir – BLLC Inspector, Inspector Scovens – Baltimore City Fire Department, Rquion Thomas – DJ, Janai McKinney – Manager, Robert Watson – Hookah Company Manager for Establishment, Jan Eveland – Action Baybrook Member (in opposition), Cecilia Gonzalez – Action Baybrook Executive Director (in opposition), Andrea Mayer – Action Baybrook Member (in opposition), Rita Ramon Chinapoo – Action Baybrook Member (in opposition)

Disposition: The Board has found that the licensee violated Rule 4.14 and Rule 4.16 on September 1, 2024 and imposed a fine of \$7,500 and an administrative fee of \$125, both payable within 30 days.