

BALTIMORE CITY BOARD OF LIQUOR LICENSE COMMISSIONERS

HEARING DISPOSITIONS

**THURSDAY, OCTOBER 5, 2023
100 N. HOLLIDAY STREET, ROOM 215
BALTIMORE, MD 21202**

**Albert Matricciani, Jr., Chairperson
Edward Reisinger, Commissioner
Granville Templeton, Commissioner**

Regular Item – Application to Transfer Ownership **10:30 AM**

748, LLC, t/a Trade Name Pending License # LBD7 392
3432-34 S. Hanover Street, Baltimore MD 21225 10th Councilmanic District (Porter)

Attorney for Applicant(s): Abraham Hurdle

Application to transfer ownership of a Class “BD7” Beer, Wine & Liquor License requesting outdoor table service, off-premises catering, and delivery of alcoholic beverages to Ethel Denise Joy.

Public Notice of Transfer: Establishment was posted on August 23, 2023 and checked on September 1, 2023 thus meeting the 10-day posting rule. No letters of opposition or support were received by the Board at this time.

Corporate Standing: 748, LLC is an active Maryland corporation in good standing as of September 20, 2023.

Location Violation History: None since 1992.

Witnesses:

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

Regular Item – Application to Transfer Ownership **10:30 AM**

Fayette Liquor, LLC, t/a Fayette Liquor Plus License # LA 169
1434 E. Fayette Street, Baltimore MD 21231 12th Councilmanic District (Stokes)

Attorney for Applicant(s): Abraham Hurdle

Application to transfer ownership of a Class “A” Beer, Wine & Liquor License requesting delivery of alcoholic beverages to Gurjot Singh.

Public Notice of Transfer: Establishment was posted on August 2, 2023 and checked on August 12, 2023 thus meeting the 10-day posting rule. No letters of opposition or support were received by the Board at this time.

Corporate Standing: Fayette Liquor, LLC is an active Maryland corporation in good standing as of September 20, 2023.

Location Violation History: October 14, 2021 – Violation of Rule 4.01(a) (Sales to Minors) and Rule 3.03(c) (Records) – Fined \$725

Witnesses: Gurjot Singh – Applicant

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 **10:30 AM**

Secured Creditor, t/a No Trade Name License # LBD7 400
2501 Fleet Street, Baltimore MD 21224 1st Councilmanic District (Cohen)

Attorney for Applicant(s): Shawn Harby

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

Public Notice of Transfer: N/A

Corporate Standing: N/A

Location Violation History: None since 2018.

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**

6700 German Hill Libations, t/a Trade Name Pending License # LBD7 375
6700 German Hill Road, Baltimore MD 21202 1st Councilmanic District (Cohen)

Attorney for Applicant(s): Stephan Fogleman

Request for a 90-day transfer hardship extension by Juan DeLeon.

Public Notice of Transfer: N/A

Corporate Standing: 6700 German Hill Libations, LLC is an active Maryland corporation in good standing as of September 20, 2023.

Location Violation History: June 16, 2022 – Board rescinded suspension of license; fee of \$3,125 to be paid in 30 days (2-0 vote; Matricciani recluses from decision)

June 2, 2022 – Violation of Rule 4.08 (Relations with Wholesalers)
– Fined \$3,125 and 30-day suspension to commence immediately
February 11, 2021 – Violation of Rule 4.16 (Illegal Conduct), Rule 3.12 (General Welfare), and Rule 4.14(a) (Live Entertainment without Authorization) – Fined \$425

Witnesses: --

Disposition: The Board (Chairman Matricciani recluses himself from this decision) approved the request of a 90-day transfer hardship extension to the licensee(s) by a 2-0 vote.

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

Savoy Management Services, LLC, t/a No Club Pussycat License # LBD7 258 / AE 006
411 E. Baltimore Street, Baltimore MD 21202 11th Councilmanic District (Costello)

Attorney for Applicant(s): N/A

Request for a 90-day transfer hardship extension by Catherine Yvonne Savoy.

Public Notice of Transfer: N/A

Corporate Standing: Savoy Management Services, LLC is an active Maryland corporation in good standing as of September 20, 2023.

Location Violation History: None since 2013.

Witnesses: Catherine Yvonne Savoy – Applicant

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**

Shoyou Canton, Inc., t/a Sushi Bruceya
1634 Aliceanna Street, Baltimore MD 21231

License # LB 238
1st Councilmanic District (Cohen)

Attorney for Applicant(s): Drew Tildon

Request for a 90-day transfer hardship extension by Bruce S. Lee.

Public Notice of Transfer: N/A

Corporate Standing: Shoyou Canton, Inc. is an active Maryland corporation in good standing as of September 21, 2023.

Location Violation History: None since 2012.

Witnesses: Bruce Lee – Applicant

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

Violations Docket – Violation of Rule 4.01 **10:30 AM**

Suah Lighthouse Company, Inc., t/a Club Bar
1609 Laurens Street, Baltimore MD 21217

License # A-7 011
7th Councilmanic District (Bullock)

Attorney for Licensee(s): Frank Shaulis

Alleged violation of Rule 4.01(a) (Sales to Minor) when at approximately 8:47 p.m. on July 20, 2023 members of the Baltimore City Sherriff’s Office Special Operations Unit & BLLC Inspectors conducted a random, joint investigation of selling alcohol to minors. An undercover, underage Sherriff Cadet(s) entered the establishment and was served the alcoholic beverages they ordered.

Corporate Standing: Suah Lighthouse Company, Inc. is an active Maryland corporation in good standing as of September 21, 2023.

Location Violation History: None since 2019.

Witnesses: Suah Lee – Licensee, Lelia Dempsey – Employee, Kenyatta Washington – BLLC Inspector, Cindy-Leigh Tudhope – BLLC Inspector, Cadet Weitzman – Sherriff Department Cadet, Cadet Gough – Sherriff Department Cadet

Disposition: The Board has found that the licensee violated Rule 4.01 on July 20, 2023 and imposed a fine of \$500 and an administrative fee of \$125, both payable within 30 days.

Violations Docket – Violation of Rule 4.01, Rule 3.06(b), and Rule 3.02 **10:30 AM**

Bacchus Bar & Liquors, Inc., t/a Bacchus Bar & Liquors
1220 W. North Avenue, Baltimore MD 21217

License # A-7 014
7th Councilmanic District (Torrence)

Attorney for Licensee(s): Frank Shaulis

Alleged violation of Rule 4.01(a) (Sales to Minor) when at approximately 9:25 p.m. on July 20, 2023 members of the Baltimore City Sherriff's Office Special Operations Unit & BLLC Inspectors conducted a random, joint investigation of selling alcohol to minors. An undercover, underage Sherriff Cadet(s) entered the establishment and was served the alcoholic beverages they ordered. After the sale, the inspectors entered the establishment to provide notice of the sale. Upon entering the establishment, the inspectors observed that the liquor license was not displayed. The inspectors advised the manager to close for the evening as the license was not displayed and could not be produced.

Alleged violation of Rule 3.06(b) (License on Display and Presented Upon Request) when at approximately 9:25 p.m. on July 20, 2023 members of the Baltimore City Sherriff's Office Special Operations Unit & BLLC Inspectors conducted a random, joint investigation of selling alcohol to minors. An undercover, underage Sherriff Cadet(s) entered the establishment and was served the alcoholic beverages they ordered. After the sale, the inspectors entered the establishment to provide notice of the sale. Upon entering the establishment, the inspectors observed that the liquor license was not displayed. The inspectors advised the manager to close for the evening as the license was not displayed and could not be produced.

Alleged violation of Rule 3.02 (Cooperation) when at approximately 9:25 p.m. on July 20, 2023 members of the Baltimore City Sherriff's Office Special Operations Unit & BLLC Inspectors conducted a random, joint investigation of selling alcohol to minors. An undercover, underage Sherriff Cadet(s) entered the establishment and was served the alcoholic beverages they ordered. After the sale, the inspectors entered the establishment to provide notice of the sale. Upon entering the establishment, the inspectors observed that the liquor license was not displayed. The inspectors advised the manager to close for the evening as the license was not displayed and could not be produced.

Corporate Standing: Bacchus Bar & Liquors, Inc. is an active Maryland corporation in good standing as of August 3, 2023.

Location Violation History: None since 2017.

Witnesses: Seon Joo Lee – Licensee, Kenyatta Washington – BLLC Inspector, Cindy-Leigh Tudhope – BLLC Inspector, Cadet Weitzman – Sherriff Department Cadet, Cadet Gough – Sherriff Department Cadet

Disposition: The Board has found that the licensee violated Rule 4.01, Rule 3.06(b), and Rule 3.02 on July 20, 2023 and imposed a fine of \$750 and an administrative fee of \$125, both payable within 30 days.

Violations Docket – Violation of Rule 4.01(a)

GNP, LLC, t/a New Edison Lounge
3133-35 E. Monument Street, Baltimore MD 21205

Attorney for Licensee(s): Stephan Fogleman

10:30 AM

License # LBD7 194
13th Councilmanic District (Glover)

Alleged violation of Rule 4.01(a) (Sales to Minor) when at approximately 9:25 p.m. on August 9, 2023 members of the Baltimore Police Department & BLLC Inspectors conducted a random, joint investigation of selling alcohol to minors. An undercover, underage Baltimore City Police Cadet entered the establishment and was served the alcoholic beverages they ordered.

Corporate Standing: GNP, LLC is an active Maryland corporation in good standing as of September 21, 2023.

Location Violation History: None since 2019.

Witnesses: Prabin Bhandari – Licensee, Prakash Adhikari – Employee, Regina Brown – BLLC Inspector, Cindy-Leigh Tudhope – BLLC Inspector, Cadet Stewart – Police Department Cadet

Disposition: The Board has found that the licensee violated Rule 4.01(a) on August 9, 2023 and imposed a fine of \$250 and an administrative fee of \$125, both payable within 30 days.

Violations Docket – Violation of Rule 4.01(a)

10:30 AM

PC One, Inc., t/a East Curley Liquor
2921 E. Monument Street, Baltimore MD 21205

License # LA 053
13th Councilmanic District (Glover)

Attorney for Licensee(s): N/A

Alleged violation of Rule 4.01(a) (Sales to Minor) when at approximately 9:20 p.m. on August 9, 2023 members of the Baltimore Police Department & BLLC Inspectors conducted a random, joint investigation of selling alcohol to minors. An undercover, underage Baltimore City Police Cadet entered the establishment and was served the alcoholic beverages they ordered.

Corporate Standing: PC One, Inc. is an active Maryland corporation in good standing as of September 21, 2023.

Location Violation History: None since 2019.

Witnesses: Ilsoon Chang – Employee, Regina Brown – BLLC Inspector, Cindy-Leigh Tudhope – BLLC Inspector, Cadet Stewart – Police Department Cadet

Disposition: The Board has found that the licensee violated Rule 4.01(a) on August 9, 2023 and imposed a fine of \$400 and an administrative fee of \$125, both payable within 30 days.

Violations Docket – Violation of Rule 4.01(a)

10:30 AM

Akisha, LLC, t/a Red Door
625-27 N. Glover Street, Baltimore MD 21205

License # LBD7 156
13th Councilmanic District (Glover)

Attorney for Licensee(s): Abraham Hurdle

Alleged violation of Rule 4.01(a) (Sales to Minor) when at approximately 9:40 p.m. on August 9, 2023 members of the Baltimore Police Department & BLLC Inspectors conducted a random, joint investigation of selling alcohol to minors. An undercover, underage Baltimore City Police Cadet entered the establishment and was served the alcoholic beverages they ordered.

Corporate Standing: Akisha, LLC is an active Maryland corporation in good standing as of September 21, 2023.

Location Violation History: None since 2012.

Witnesses: Sagar Ghimire – Licensee, Shiva Malla – Employee, Regina Brown – BLLC Inspector, Cindy-Leigh Tudhope – BLLC Inspector, Cadet Stewart – Police Department Cadet

Disposition: The Board has found that the licensee violated Rule 4.01(a) on August 9, 2023 and imposed a fine of \$250 and an administrative fee of \$125, both payable within 30 days.

Violations Docket – Violation of Rule 3.03(a), Rule 3.03(c), Rule 3.03(d)(ii), and Rule 3.06(b) 10:30 AM

Blu Ink Corporation, t/a 2 Twelve Lounge License # LBD7 105
2709-11 Washington Boulevard, Baltimore MD 21217 10th Councilmanic District (Porter)

Attorney for Licensee(s): Shawn Harby

Alleged violation of Rule 3.03(a) (Records – Purchases of Alcoholic Beverages) when at approximately 8:55 p.m. on August 4, 2023 members of the BLLC along with members of the Social Club Task Force that included the Baltimore Police Department and Baltimore City Department of Housing and Community Development conducted a joint inspection of the establishment for a permit check. After entering the establishment, the inspectors made contact with the bartender who mentioned they did not know where anything was, as it was only the second day of their employment. The bartender called the manager, but stated that they also didn't know where the permits were as the owner was on vacation. The manager was able to produce a valid liquor license, but no other permits were made available to be inspected. At this time, the inspector informed the manager that they would be receiving violations for failure to display or have permits available for inspection. The inspector also provided a written warning to remind them that they are not authorized to have live entertainment, as equipment was being set up at the time of inspection. The manager complied and the equipment was packed away.

Alleged violation of Rule 3.03(c) (Records – Employees) when at approximately 8:55 p.m. on August 4, 2023 members of the BLLC along with members of the Social Club Task Force that included the Baltimore Police Department and Baltimore City Department of Housing and Community Development conducted a joint inspection of the establishment for a permit check. After entering the establishment, the inspectors made contact with the bartender who mentioned they did not know where anything was, as it was only the second day of their employment. The bartender called the manager, but stated that they also didn't know where the permits were as the owner was on vacation. The manager was able to produce a valid liquor license, but no other permits were made available to be inspected. At this time, the inspector informed the manager that they would be receiving violations for failure to display or have permits available for inspection. The inspector also provided a written warning to remind them that they are not authorized to have live entertainment, as equipment was being set up at the time of inspection. The manager complied and the equipment was packed away.

Alleged violation of Rule 3.063(d)(ii) (Records – Trader’s License) when at approximately 8:55 p.m. on August 4, 2023 members of the BLLC along with members of the Social Club Task Force that included the Baltimore Police Department and Baltimore City Department of Housing and Community Development conducted a joint inspection of the establishment for a permit check. After entering the establishment, the inspectors made contact with the bartender who mentioned they did not know where anything was, as it was only the second day of their employment. The bartender called the manager, but stated that they also didn’t know where the permits were as the owner was on vacation. The manager was able to produce a valid liquor license, but no other permits were made available to be inspected. At this time, the inspector informed the manager that they would be receiving violations for failure to display or have permits available for inspection. The inspector also provided a written warning to remind them that they are not authorized to have live entertainment, as equipment was being set up at the time of inspection. The manager complied and the equipment was packed away.

Alleged violation of Rule 3.06(b) (Records – Liquor License on Display) when at approximately 8:55 p.m. on August 4, 2023 members of the BLLC along with members of the Social Club Task Force that included the Baltimore Police Department and Baltimore City Department of Housing and Community Development conducted a joint inspection of the establishment for a permit check. After entering the establishment, the inspectors made contact with the bartender who mentioned they did not know where anything was, as it was only the second day of their employment. The bartender called the manager, but stated that they also didn’t know where the permits were as the owner was on vacation. The manager was able to produce a valid liquor license, but no other permits were made available to be inspected. At this time, the inspector informed the manager that they would be receiving violations for failure to display or have permits available for inspection. The inspector also provided a written warning to remind them that they are not authorized to have live entertainment, as equipment was being set up at the time of inspection. The manager complied and the equipment was packed away.

Corporate Standing: Blu Ink Corporation is an active Maryland corporation not in good standing as of September 21, 2023.

Location Violation History: None since 2017.

Witnesses: Cindy-Leigh Tudhope – BLLC Inspector, Rosalba Jordan – BLLC Inspector

Disposition: This matter has been continued and postponed until the next hearing date of October 19, 2023.