

BOARD OF LIQUOR LICENSE COMMISSIONERS FOR BALTIMORE CITY
DOCKET – THURSDAY, JANUARY 11, 2024 – 10:30 a.m.
ROOM 215 – CITY HALL – 100 NORTH HOLLIDAY STREET

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10:30 a.m.

I. Violations:

- 1. Dwarrew A. Bullock, Jr. and Mia L. Conaway, Winston Lounge Bar & Grill, LLC, T/a Winston Lounge Bar & Grill, 2343 E. Monument Street – Class “BD7” Beer, Wine & Liquor License – Violation of Rule 4.01(a) – Sales to Minors (Selling) – August 9, 2023** – On August 9, 2023, Board of Liquor License Commissioners (BLLC) Inspectors Cindy Tudhope, Regina Brown and Chief Inspector John Chrissomallis, along with members of the Baltimore City Police Vice-Unit conducted random, joint investigations of establishments in the capacity of Underage Task Force to determine if licensees would sell alcoholic beverages to minors. Working as a minor was Police Cadet Stewart, Jr., whom at the time of the incident was under the age of 21.

At approximately 9:05pm, the Underage Task Force arrived at the establishment. At this time Cadet Stewart, Jr. entered the establishment and purchased a 200ml Peach Amsterdam Vodka for \$6.00 from store employee, later identified as Cynthia Julius. The Cadet then notified the Underage Task Force that he had made a purchase of alcohol. Moments later, the Underage Task Force entered the establishment and informed Ms. Julius that she had just sold alcohol to an underage Police Cadet. BLLC Inspectors then issued a violation and vacated the establishment without further incident.

- 2. Jose Portillo and Neel Sharma, Sai Baba Hospitality, LLC, T/a El Dragon Sport Bar & Restaurant, 200 S. Haven Street – Class “B” Beer, Wine & Liquor License – Violation of Rule 4.01(a) – Sales to Minors (Selling) – October 19, 2023** – On October 19, 2023, Board of Liquor License Commissioners (BLLC) Inspectors Cindy Tudhope and Rosalba Jordon, along with members of the Baltimore City Sheriff’s Office Special Operations Unit (Sheriff) conducted random, joint investigations of establishments in the capacity of Underage Task Force to determine if licensees would sell alcoholic beverages to minors. Working as minors were Sheriff Cadets Weitzman and Gough, both of whom at the time of the incident were under the age of 21.

At approximately 8:02pm, the Underage Task Force arrived at the establishment. At this time, Cadet Weitzman entered the establishment and purchased two (2) Jack Daniels with Coca Cola for \$15.00 total from the employee, later identified as Rosa Estrada. The Cadet then notified the rest of the Underage Task Force that he had made a purchase of alcohol. Moments later, the Underage Task Force entered the establishment and informed the manager, Miss Montoya, that alcohol was sold to an underage Sheriff Cadet. Inspectors requested employee records to help identify the employee, no employee records were available. Inspectors then issued a violation and vacated the establishment without further incident.

Violation of Rule 3.03(c) – Records (Employees) – October 19, 2023 – On October 19, 2023, Board of Liquor License Commissioners (BLLC) Inspectors Cindy Tudhope and Rosalba Jordan, along with members of the Baltimore City Sheriff's Office Special Operations Unit (Sheriff) conducted random, joint investigations of establishments in the capacity of Underage Task Force to determine if licensees would sell alcoholic beverages to minors. Working as minors were Sheriff Cadets Weitzman and Gough, both of whom at the time of the incident were under the age of 21.

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- 3. Amritpal Singh Mann and Makhanjit Singh, Maan and Jaiya, Inc., T/a Mr. Joes's Bar & Cutrate, 1-3 S. Highland Avenue – Class "BD7" Beer, Wine & Liquor License – Violation of Rule 4.01(a) – Sales to Minors (Selling) – October 19, 2023** – On October 19, 2023, Board of Liquor License Commissioners (BLLC) Inspectors Cindy Tudhope and Rosalba Jordan, along with members of the Baltimore City Sheriff's Office Special Operations Unit (Sheriff) conducted random, joint investigations of establishments in the capacity of Underage Task Force to determine if licensees would sell alcoholic beverages to minors. Working as minors were Sheriff Cadets Weitzman and Gough, both of whom at the time of the incident were under the age of 21.

At approximately 8:25pm, the Underage Task Force arrived at the establishment. At this time Cadet Weitzman entered the establishment and purchased a six-pack of Stella Artois Beer for \$11.98. The Cadet then notified the rest of the Underage Task Force that he had been sold alcohol. Moments later, the Underage Task Force entered the establishment and informed the employee, Amandeep Singh, that he sold alcohol to an underage Sheriff Cadet. BLLC Inspectors then issued a violation and vacated the establishment without further incident.

- ~~**4. Charles Rolling and Andrew Saller, Baltimore Sports Bar, LLC, T/a The Penthouse Club, 615 Fallsway – Class "BD7" Beer, Wine & Liquor License and Class "AE" Adult Entertainment License – Violation of Rule 4.01(a) – Sales to Minors (Furnishing) – October 19, 2023**~~ – On October 19, 2023, Board of Liquor License Commissioners (BLLC) Inspectors Cindy Tudhope and Rosalba Jordan, along with members of the Baltimore City Sheriff's Office Special Operations Unit (Sheriff) conducted random, joint investigations of establishments in the capacity of Underage Task Force to determine if licensees would sell alcoholic beverages to minors. Working as minors were Sheriff Cadets Weitzman and Gough, both of whom at the time of the incident were under the age of 21.

~~At approximately 8:54pm, the Underage Task Force arrived at the establishment. At this time Cadet Weitzman entered the establishment and was furnished a Corona Beer from the club employee. The Cadet then notified the rest of the Underage Task Force that he had been furnished alcohol. Moments later, the Underage Task Force entered the establishment and informed the manager, Mr. Michael Bianco, along with the cashier and door person, that they had furnished~~

alcohol to an underage Sheriff Cadet. BLLC Inspectors then issued a violation and vacated the establishment without further incident.

~~**Violation of Adult Entertainment Rule 3.05 – Incorporation of Liquor License Rules and Regulations to Applicable Licensees – October 19, 2023**~~ – On October 19, 2023, Board of Liquor License Commissioners (BLLC) Inspectors Cindy Tudhope and Rosalba Jordan, along with members of the Baltimore City Sheriff's Office Special Operations Unit (Sheriff) conducted random, joint investigations of establishments in the capacity of Underage Task Force to determine if licensees would sell alcoholic beverages to minors. Working as minors were Sheriff Cadets Weitzman and Gough, both of whom at the time of the incident were under the age of 21.

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5. **David Stivelman, Contract Purchaser, T/a No Trade Name, 2 E. Wells Street, Suite 116 – Class "B" Beer, Wine & Liquor License – Violation of Rule 4.01(a) – Sales to Minors (Selling) – October 19, 2023** – On October 19, 2023, Board of Liquor License Commissioners (BLLC) Inspectors Cindy Tudhope and Rosalba Jordan, along with members of the Baltimore City Sheriff's Office Special Operations Unit (Sheriff) conducted random, joint investigations of establishments in the capacity of Underage Task Force to determine if licensees would sell alcoholic beverages to minors. Working as minors were Sheriff Cadets Weitzman and Gough, both of whom at the time of the incident were under the age of 21.

At approximately 7:30pm, the Underage Task Force arrived at the establishment. At this time Cadet Gough entered the establishment and purchased a Jack Daniels with Coca Cola for \$13.00 total from the store employee, later identified as Kenneth McCaskill. The Cadet then notified the rest of the Underage Task Force that they had made a purchase of alcohol. Moments later, the Underage Task Force entered the establishment and informed manager, Natasha Perez, that alcohol beverages were sold alcohol to an underage Sheriff Cadet. BLLC Inspectors then issued a violation and vacated the establishment without further incident.

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At approximately 6:55pm, the Underage Task Force arrived at the establishment. At this time Cadet Gough entered the establishment and purchased an Orange Crush for \$6.00 total from the

~~store employee, later identified as Jenna Contay. The Cadet then notified the rest of the Underage Task Force that they had made a purchase of alcohol. Moments later, the Underage Task Force entered the establishment and informed manager, Carlos Ramirez Cruz, that alcohol beverages were sold alcohol to an underage Sheriff Cadet. BLLC Inspectors then issued a violation and vacated the establishment without further incident. POSTPONED~~

- 7. Robert Fields and Bijay Ranabhat, Rara 6, Inc., T/a Uptown Bar, 1901 Edmondson Avenue – Class “BD7” Beer, Wine & Liquor License – Violation of Rule 4.18(a) – Alterations – September 15, 2023** – On September 15, 2023, at approximately 4:01pm, Agent Darryl Clark conducted an inspection at the establishment to determine if renovations were completed without Board’s approval. Upon arrival Agent Clark made contact with Mr. Keith Love. Agent Clark entered the establishment and observed that the interior had been completely renovated in the front and a new bar area was being built in the back with no sinks and no bar at the time of inspections. Agent Clark issued the establishment a violation for renovations without Liquor Board approval and a violation for the BD7 not operating as a tavern. Agent Clark then left the establishment without further incident.

Violation of Rule 4.20(c) – Prohibited Activities By License Type: Class BD7 Licenses: Open and Operating Tavern At All Times – September 15, 2023 – On September 15, 2023, at approximately 4:01pm, Agent Darryl Clark conducted an inspection at the establishment to determine if renovations were completed without Board’s approval. Upon arrival Agent Clark made contact with Mr. Keith Love. Agent Clark entered the establishment and observed that the interior had been completely renovated in the front and a new bar area was being built in the back with no sinks and no bar at the time of inspections. Agent Clark issued the establishment a violation for renovations without Liquor Board approval and a violation for the BD7 not operating as a tavern. Agent Clark then left the establishment without further incident.

- 8. Brian Lawrence, The Avenue K&B, LLC, T/a The Avenue Kitchen and Bar, 911 W. 36th Street – Class “B” Beer, Wine & Liquor License – Violation of Rule 3.12 – General Welfare – October 26, 2023** – On October 26, 2023, at approximately 11:00pm, Agent Andy Perez and Inspector Cindy Tudhope responded to a 311 Complaint #23-00856647 for disturbing the peace. Upon arrival, Agent Perez observed an outdoor party taking place on the temporary outdoor table service area. Over 100 patrons were observed in this area some which were not seated at tables and consuming alcoholic beverages in this outdoors area, and loud music could be heard from over a block away. At approximately 11:30pm, Agent Perez made contact with the night manager, Miss Natasia and made her aware that the reason of the visit was because a noise complaint. Miss Natasia informed Agent Perez that she could turn the music down if that was the problem. Agent Perez advised her that other issues were observed, and violations were going to be issued. At that point, Miss Natasia informed Agent Perez that the party was ending. Agent Perez explained that the temporary table service space must stop operating at 11:00pm as one of the restrictions on the TEMP Permit. Agent Perez further explained that patrons must be seated to be served. By 11:45pm the music was turned off and patrons began to leave the establishment. Several patrons were observe leaving the establishment with glassware containing what appeared to be alcoholic beverages. In addition to this, bar personnel were observed handing out shots to remaining patrons on the temporary outdoor table service area. Agent Perez and Inspector departed the establishment at approximately 12:20am with nothing further to report.

Violation of Rule 3.02 – Cooperation – October 26, 2023 – On October 26, 2023, at approximately 11:00pm, Agent Andy Perez and Inspector Cindy Tudhope responded to a 311 Complaint #23-00856647 for disturbing the peace. Upon arrival, Agent Perez observed an outdoor party taking place on the temporary outdoor table service area. Over 100 patrons were observed in this area some which were not seated at tables and consuming alcoholic beverages in this outdoors area, and loud music could be heard from over a block away. At approximately 11:30pm, Agent Perez made contact with the night manager, Miss Natasia and made her aware that the reason of the visit was because a noise complaint. Miss Natasia informed Agent Perez that she could turn the music down if that was the problem. Agent Perez advised her that other issues were observed, and violations were going to be issued. At that point, Miss Natasia informed Agent Perez that the party was ending. Agent Perez explained that the temporary table service space must stop operating at 11:00pm as one of the restrictions on the TEMP Permit. Agent Perez further explained that patrons must be seated to be served. By 11:45pm the music was turned off and patrons began to leave the establishment. Several patrons were observe leaving the establishment with glassware containing what appeared to be alcoholic beverages. In addition to this, bar personnel were observed handing out shots to remaining patrons on the temporary outdoor table service area. Agent Perez and Inspector departed the establishment at approximately 12:20am with nothing further to report.

9. **Justin Hunt and Lamont Macey, Dream at Legacy Bar & Bistro, LLC, T/a Dream at Legacy Bar & Bistro, 10 S. Calvert Street – Class “B” Beer, Wine & Liquor License – Violation of Rule 3.12 – General Welfare – October 29, 2023** – On October 29, 2023, at approximately 12:00am, Agent Andy Perez, Agent Steve Han, Inspector Cindy Tudhope and Inspector Rosalba Jordan responded to Dream Lounge located at 10 S. Calvert Street to investigate an overcrowding complaint. At the time of their arrival, Baltimore City Fire Marshall Inspectors, Holmes and Tennenses, were already on site investigating the matter. Once at the location, Fire Marshall inspectors informed the BLLC they were closing the establishment for the night due to overcrowding and indoor smoking (Marijuana/Charcoal lit Hookahs). Agent Perez informed licensee Justin Hunt that a Liquor Board violation would be written as a result of his observations and the Fire Marshall's determination of the establishment being unsafe to continue to operate.
10. **Lina Li and Kevin D. Sanders, C & L Caton, LLC, T/a Caton House Bar & Tavern, 1506 Caton Avenue – Class “BD7” Beer, Wine & Liquor License – Violation of Rule 4.20(c) – Prohibited Activities By License Type: Class BD7 Licenses: Open and Operating Tavern At All Times – October 27, 2023** – On October 27, 2023, at approximately 1:45pm, Inspector Regina Brown conducted an inspection at the establishment to determine if the tavern was fully open and operating. Upon arrival, Inspector Brown entered the tavern, and found the lights to be off, and a partition blocking entry to the tavern. The tavern portion was being used as a storage area with the 3-compartment sink to be empty. Inspector Brown also found liquor bottles on the floor of bar area. Inspector Brown informed the employee that inventory must be 6 inches off the floor. Inspector Brown informed the employee, Mr. Geng, that he would be receiving a violation for the tavern not being open and operating and for inventory on the floor. Inspector Brown then left the establishment without further incident.
11. **Pyo Ock Park, Sole Proprietorship, T/a Ako Liquors, 2700 Fairmount Avenue – Class “BD7” Beer, Wine & Liquor License – Violation of Rule 4.20(c) – Prohibited Activities by License Type: Class BD7 Licenses: Open and Operating Tavern At All Times – October 27, 2023** – On

October 27, 2023, at approximately 1:30pm, Inspector Regina Brown conducted an inspection at the establishment to determine if the tavern was fully open and operating. Upon entering the bar, Inspector Brown found the lights to be off, and the tavern being used as a storage area. Inspector Brown found the 3-compartment sink with one filled with cold water, the middle sink empty, and the last sink filled with a cooking pot. Inspector Brown also found the bathroom could not be used, as it was filthy with black stuff all over the toilet, and there was no toilet paper, soap or paper towels or dryer. Inspector Brown spoke with employee, Won Park, and advised him that the tavern must be always operational. Inspector Brown informed Mr. Park that he would be receiving a violation for the tavern not being open and operating and his bathroom not being operational. Inspector Brown then left the establishment without further incident.

Violation of Rule 3.09 – Rest Room Facilities and Health Regulations – October 27, 2023 –

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