

BOARD OF LIQUOR LICENSE COMMISSIONERS FOR BALTIMORE CITY
DOCKET – THURSDAY, JANUARY 30, 2025 – 10:30 a.m.
ROOM 215 – CITY HALL – 100 NORTH HOLLIDAY STREET

Please note: If you are interested in a particular case, please call (410) 396-4380 the day before these hearings to verify that a particular case is still scheduled for this date.

10:30 a.m.

I. Monetary Penalty In lieu of Hearings:

In accordance with § 12-2105(a) of the MD Alcoholic Beverages & Cannabis Article and Liquor Board Rule 2.16, the following Licensees have participated in the Monetary Penalty In lieu of Hearings program by voluntarily admitting the violations as charged and paying the corresponding fines.

1. **Rajwant Singh, R & G Traders, Inc., T/a Joe's Tavern, 1006-08 Dundalk Avenue – Class "BD7" Beer, Wine & Liquor License – Violation of Rule 4.05 – Prohibited Hours** "Alcoholic beverages may not be served, dispensed, furnished or given away in any part of the premises during hours when alcoholic beverages sales are prohibited by law" on October 19, 2024 (Re: Allowing patrons to remain in licensed premises after legal hours of operation). **Fine paid: \$500.**
(City Council District: 1st; State Legislative District: 46th)

II. Regular Items (180-day Hardship Extensions):

2. **Lisa Markiewicz, Secured Creditor, T/a No Trade Name, 307-11 W. Madison Street – Class "BD7" Beer, Wine, & Liquor License – Request for a hardship extension under the provisions of the Alcoholic Beverages & Cannabis Article § 12-2202.**
(City Council District: 11th; State Legislative District: 40th)

III. Regular Items:

3. **Desanni Penn and Christopher Coleman, Clase' Define, Inc., T/a Clase' Define Lounge, 2709-11 Washington Boulevard – Class "BD7" Beer, Wine & Liquor License – Application to transfer ownership from a secured creditor.**
(City Council District: 10th; State Legislative District: 40th)
4. **Deepak Bhanot, Madhusudhan Kopparapu, and Tikeshia Nakia Vinson, Omni Liquors Baltimore, LLC, T/a Frankford Gardens Liquors, 5418-20 Sinclair Lane – Class "A" Beer, Wine & Liquor License – Application to transfer ownership.**
(City Council District: 2nd; State Legislative District: 45th)
5. **Sean Michael White and Michael Raymond Lopez, 1113 South Charles Street, LLC, T/a Trade Name Pending, 1113 S. Charles Street – Class "B" Beer, Wine & Liquor License – Application to transfer ownership with continuation of live entertainment and outdoor table service, requesting off-premises catering.**
(City Council District: 11th; State Legislative District: 46th)

IV. Violations:

6. **Ho K. Lawler, HBS Enterprise, Inc., T/a Sugar Hill Tavern, 2361 Druid Hill Avenue – Class “BD7” Beer, Wine & Liquor License – Violation of Rule 4.20(b) – Prohibited Activities by License Type** “The holder of a Class BD7 or Class D BWL license shall grant all patrons access to a fully operating tavern portion of the licensed premises, wherever that may be on the premises, whenever the packaged goods area is open and operating” on September 18, 2024 (Failing to open tavern area for onsite consumption when packaged goods area was open and operating); **Violation of Rule 4.17(2) – Storage** “A licensee may not store or keep alcoholic beverages, on the premises, unless the alcoholic beverages are elevated at least 6 inches off the ground. Alcoholic beverages may not be stored directly on the floor of the licensed premises” on September 18, 2024 (Re: Alcohol stored directly on the floor without 6-inch clearance); **Violation of Rule 4.20(b) – Prohibited Activities by License Type** “The holder of a Class BD7 or Class D BWL license shall grant all patrons access to a fully operating tavern portion of the licensed premises, wherever that may be on the premises, whenever the packaged goods area is open and operating” on November 19, 2024 (Failing to open tavern area for onsite consumption when packaged goods area was open and operating).
(City Council District: 7th; State Legislative District: 40th)
7. **Kevia Beard Moore and Richard L. Nelson, Richie’s Entertainment, LLC, T/a Richie’s Lounge, 1600 W. Baltimore Street – Class “BD7” Beer, Wine & Liquor License – Violation of Rule 3.08(2) – Sanitation and Safety** “Licensees shall...b) Keep the garbage containers covered at all times; and c) Remove all refuse regularly” on October 22, 2024 (Re: Excessive amounts of uncontained and improperly stored trash outside of the establishment)..
(City Council District: 9th; State Legislative District: 40th)
8. **Ruth Getachen and Haimanot Solomon, Bayview, Inc., T/a Bayview Liquors – 3804 Eastern Avenue – Class “BD7” Beer, Wine & Liquor License – Violation of Rule 4.15(2) – Sexual Practices and Obscenity** “A licensee may not permit a person to appear in an act or other performance with breasts or the lower torso uncovered. A licensee may not knowingly permit the licensed premises to be used for sexual conduct, exhibition, or any unlawful performance.” on October 19, 2024 (Re: Unlicensed adult entertainment).
(City Council District: 1st; State Legislative District: 46th)
9. ~~**Jaime L. Balvueno Bravo and Alejo J. Martinez, El Oasis Restaurant Y Discotec, Inc., T/a El Oasis Restaurant Y Discotec, 3919-21 Eastern Avenue – Class “BD7” Beer, Wine & Liquor License – Violation of Rule 3.12 – General Welfare**~~ “Licensees shall operate their establishments in such a manner as to avoid disturbing the peace, safety, health, quiet, and to promote the general welfare of the community” on October 19, 2024 (Re: Loud music); ~~**Violation of Rule 3.09(2) – Rest Room Facilities and Health Regulations**~~ “Licensees shall comply with all applicable State and City Health Department laws, rules, and regulations” on October 19, 2024 (Re: violation of Baltimore City Health Code § 9-306(2)(i)); ~~**Violation of Rule 3.08(1)(b) – Sanitation and Safety**~~ “A licensee shall operate their establishment in compliance with the sanitation, health and safety standards of... The Department of Health” on October 19, 2024 (Re: Individuals smoking hookah inside establishment in violation of MD Code, Health – General, § 24-504 aka Clean Indoor Air Act).
(City Council District: 1st; State Legislative District: 46th) POSTPONED

10. ~~Joyce Young, 316-318 Guilford Avenue, LLC, T/a Ikonc Assembly Room, 316-18 Guilford Avenue~~ — Class “B” Beer, Wine & Liquor Arena License — ~~Rule 3.12 — General Welfare~~ “Licensees shall operate their establishments in such a manner as to avoid disturbing the peace, safety, health, quiet, and to promote the general welfare of the community” on September 28, 2024 (Re: Loud music); ~~Rule 3.09(2) — Rest Room Facilities and Health Regulations~~ “Licensees shall comply with all applicable State and City Health Department laws, rules, and regulations” on September 28, 2024 (Re: violation of Baltimore City Health Code § 9-306(2)(i)).
(City Council District: 11th; State Legislative District: 46th) POSTPONED
11. ~~Bijou Penland and Blanca Pesquera, New Ecstasy Bar and Restaurant, LLC, T/a My Cousin’s Place, 3925-27 E. Lombard Street~~ — Class “BD7” Beer, Wine & Liquor License — ~~Violation of Rule 3.12 — General Welfare~~ “Licensees shall operate their establishments in such a manner as to avoid disturbing the peace, safety, health, quiet, and to promote the general welfare of the community” on October 7, 2024 (Re: Loud music); ~~Violation of Rule 3.09(2) — Rest Room Facilities and Health Regulations~~ “Licensees shall comply with all applicable State and City Health Department laws, rules, and regulations” on October 7, 2024 (Re: violation of Baltimore City Health Code § 9-306(2)(i)); ~~Violation of Rule 3.12 — General Welfare~~ “Licensees shall operate their establishments in such a manner as to avoid disturbing the peace, safety, health, quiet, and to promote the general welfare of the community” on October 27, 2024 (Re: Loud music); ~~Violation of Rule 3.09(2) — Rest Room Facilities and Health Regulations~~ “Licensees shall comply with all applicable State and City Health Department laws, rules, and regulations” on October 27, 2024 (Re: violation of Baltimore City Health Code § 9-306(2)(i)); ~~Violation of Rule 3.08(2) — Sanitation and Safety~~ “Licensees shall: a. Provide containers for the disposition of garbage and refuse that meet the requirements of Baltimore City; b. Keep the garbage containers covered at all times; and c. Remove all refuse regularly” on October 27, 2024 (Re: Uncovered and overflowing dumpster and trashcan); ~~Violation of Rule 3.08(1)(d) — Sanitation and Safety~~ “A licensee shall operate their establishment in compliance with the sanitation, health and safety standards of...Other applicable City, state, and federal laws or regulations” on October 27, 2024 (Re: Locked emergency exit).
(City Council District: 1st; State Legislative District: 46th) POSTPONED
12. ~~Tonya Williams Kosh, Mystic T & M, Inc., T/a Mystic Tavern, 2949 Frederick Avenue~~ — Class “BD7” Beer, Wine & Liquor License — ~~Violation of Rule 3.12 — General Welfare~~ “Licensees shall operate their establishments in such a manner as to avoid disturbing the peace, safety, health, quiet and to promote the general welfare of the community” on August 30, 2024 (Re: Operating the establishment with a generator); ~~Violation of Rule 4.07(3) — Open Containers and Illegal Possession and Consumption of Alcoholic Beverages~~ “A licensee may not permit a person to consume alcoholic beverages not permitted to be sold at any place on the licensed premises or in the building in which the licensed premises are located” on August 30, 2024 (Re: Allowing patrons to drink alcoholic beverages outside which is an unlicensed part of the property); ~~Violation of Rule 3.03(1) — Records~~ “Licensee shall keep accurate records of all purchases of alcoholic beverages for 1 year after the date of each purchase. The records shall include the date of each purchase, the quantity purchased, and the name and address of each seller. The records shall be kept on the licensed premises and be made available for inspection by members of the Board, its employees, and all other law enforcement officials” on August 30, 2024 (Re: Failing to provide receipts of alcoholic beverage purchases when requested to do so by BLLC staff); ~~Violation of Rule 3.05(2) — Alcohol Awareness Certification~~ “A copy of the alcohol awareness certification shall be on the licensed premises and be made available on request to a Board inspector or any other applicable

~~State or City law enforcement officer while on official business" on August 30, 2024 (Re: Failing to provide an alcohol awareness certification when requested to do so by BLLC staff).
(City Council District: 10th; State Legislative District: 40th) POSTPONED~~

13. **Tenaye Demissie and Fikremariam Worku, Jano Ethiopian Restaurant & Lounge, LLC, T/a Jano Ethiopia, 34 S. Eutaw Street – Class "B" Beer, Wine & Liquor License – Violation of Rule 3.08(b) – Sanitation and Safety** "A licensee shall operate their establishment in compliance with the sanitation, health and safety standards of... The Department of Health" on September 7, 2024 (Re: Unsanitary kitchen); **Violation of Rule 3.09(1) – Rest Room Facilities and Health Regulation** "Licensees, except Class A, Class A-2, and Class A-7, licensees, shall provide on the licensed premises adequate, sanitary and fully functioning restroom facilities for all patrons" on September 7, 2024 (Re: Women's restroom was unsanitary and lacking toilet paper, soap and paper towels); **Violation of Rule 4.16 – Illegal Conduct** "A licensee may not commit or allow the commission of an act, on the licensed premises, that is contrary to any federal, State or local statute, law or ordinance or that is against the public peace, safety, health, welfare, quiet, or morals" on September 7, 2024 (Re: Allowing cigarettes and hookah to be smoked in violation of the Clean Indoor Air Act).
(City Council District: 11th; State Legislative District: 40th)