

BOARD OF LIQUOR LICENSE COMMISSIONERS FOR BALTIMORE CITY
DOCKET – THURSDAY, JANUARY 31, 2019 – 11:00 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.

11:00 a.m.

I. Continued Cases – (Violation):

~~1. Keun Hyun Cho, Anthony Hargrove, and Ae Kim, Jeanne's Liquors, Inc., T/a Eutaw Liquors, 115-17 N. Eutaw Street – Class "A" Beer, Wine & Liquor License – Violation of Rule 4.16 Illegal Conduct – March 26, 2018 – At approximately 12:20 PM, members of the Baltimore City Police Department, executed a signed search and seizure warrant at the establishment. Upon executing the search and seizure warrant, Police discovered a loaded shotgun in the stockroom, which was accessible to employees of the establishment, two bags of suspected cocaine directly next to and underneath of the chair of licensee Ae Kim, two zip lock bags of suspected cocaine residue found on the floor of the register area. Hidden inside a pallet within a walk-in refrigeration unit, police recovered two black bags containing 56 zip locks of suspected marijuana. Further investigation of the stockroom revealed 24 blue top vials containing suspected cocaine, 16 purple zip lock bags of white rocks suspected cocaine, a clear bag with white powder of suspected heroin. Also found within the stockroom were various tools indicating that the packaging and distribution of illegal narcotics, which included scales, razors, and packaging materials. Recovered from the establishment was \$12,583.40 of U.S. currency, which the Police suspect are proceeds of drug sales activity. During the execution of the search and seizure warrant, Seung Ryu, manager of the store, appeared at the establishment to accompany his wife, Ae Kim, a licensee of the establishment. Upon execution of the search and seizure warrant, both Mr. Ryu and Ms. Kim, along with their employees, were arrested and charged with various felony counts related to the illegal possession of a firearm, distribution of illegal narcotics, and possession of illegal narcotics and paraphernalia.~~

~~Violation of Rule 3.12 General Welfare – March 26, 2018 – At approximately 12:20 PM, members of the Baltimore City Police Department, executed a signed search and seizure warrant at the establishment. Upon executing the search and seizure warrant, Police discovered a loaded shotgun in the stockroom, which was accessible to employees of the establishment, two bags of suspected cocaine directly next to and underneath of the chair of licensee Ae Kim, two zip lock bags of suspected cocaine residue found on the floor of the register area. Hidden inside a pallet within a walk-in refrigeration unit, police recovered two black bags containing 56 zip locks of suspected marijuana. Further investigation of the stockroom revealed 24 blue top vials containing suspected cocaine, 16 purple zip lock bags of white rocks suspected cocaine, a clear bag with white powder of suspected heroin. Also found within the stockroom were various tools indicating that the packaging and distribution of illegal narcotics, which included scales, razors, and packaging materials. Recovered from the establishment was \$12,583.40 of U.S. currency, which the Police suspect are proceeds of drug sales activity. During the execution of~~

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POSTPONED

II. Regular Items (New, Transfers, Expansions and Hardships):

- 1. Rosa Feria and Silvia Garcia, Olivia, Inc., T/a Los Amigos Restaurant, 5506 Harford Road – Class “B” Beer, Wine & Liquor License – Application for a new Class “B” Beer, Wine & Liquor restaurant license under the provisions of Alcoholic Beverages Article §12-1603(C)(1)(ii) requiring \$200,000 in capital investment in restaurant fixtures and facilities, and seating capacity for a minimum of 75 people, requesting live entertainment and outdoor table service.**
- 2. Janet Pettaway, Glenn Bydume, and Glenda Laws, Marks Dream Team, LLC, T/a Bentlys, 885-89 N. Howard Street – Class “B” Beer, Wine & Liquor License – Application to transfer ownership with continuation of live entertainment.**
- 3. Shova Serchan and Migdalia Rios, Muna, LLC, T/a Busy Bee, 4500-04 Erdman Avenue – Class “BD7” Beer, Wine & Liquor License – Request to add live entertainment.**
- 4. Earlene M. Holland, Pearl’s Investments, Inc., T/a Pearl’s Place, 2578 Hollins Street – Class “BD7” Beer, Wine & Liquor License – Request for a hardship extension under the provisions of the Alcoholic Beverages Article § 12-2202.**
- 5. Matthew Piron, Rosewood Food Concepts, LLC, T/a Woodrow’s BBQ, 1605 Sulgrave Avenue – Class “BD7” Beer, Wine & Liquor License – Request for a transfer hardship extension under the provisions of the Alcoholic Beverages Article § 12-1705(b).**
- 6. Barry Truxon, Jr., Hollins Place, LLC, T/a Mi Ranchito Restaurant, 1114-16 Hollins Street – Class “BD7” Beer, Wine & Liquor License – Request for a transfer hardship extension under the provisions of the Alcoholic Beverages Article § 12-1705(b).**
- 7. Subhash Ghimire, Ananda Ghimire, and Vicki Ward, Ghimire Brothers, LLC, T/a One Stop Liquor and Shop, 1524 Cypress Street – Class “A” Beer, Wine & Liquor License – Request for a transfer hardship extension under the provisions of the Alcoholic Beverages Article § 12-1705(b).**

1:00 p.m.

III. Violations:

- 1. Stanley Freeman and Amy Miller, Read Park, Inc., T/a Drinkery, 203-09 W. Read Street – Class “BD7” Beer, Wine & Liquor License – Violation of Rule 4.01(a) Sales to Minors – November 7, 2018 – At approximately 10:55 PM the Baltimore City Police Department and the**

BLLC conducted random, joint investigations of establishments to determine if licensees would sell alcoholic beverages to minors. The joint task force responded to the establishment and sent Baltimore City Police Cadet Kameron Snead, who is under the age of 21, into the establishment to attempt to purchase an alcoholic beverage(s). At that time, Snead entered the establishment and ordered a bottle of "Corona" beer. Utilizing a departmental \$20 bill, Snead purchased the alcoholic beverage(s) from bartender Mr. Jonathan Cook. Snead then communicated to the task force that he had purchased an alcoholic beverage(s). Members of the task force entered the establishment and notified Mr. Cook that a minor had just purchased an alcoholic beverage(s) and it would be reported to the BLLC. The task force then recovered the marked currency from the bartender/store clerk and returned both the alcoholic beverage and change from the transaction to Mr. Cook.

- ~~2. **Domingo Kim, Domingo Kim Enterprises, Inc., T/a Stadium Lounge, 3351 53 Greenmount Avenue** – Class "BD7" Beer, Wine & Liquor License – **Violation of Rule 4.01(a) Sales to Minors – November 14, 2018** – At approximately 9:50 PM the Baltimore City Police Department and the BLLC conducted random, joint investigations of establishments to determine if licensees would sell alcoholic beverages to minors. The joint task force responded to the establishment and sent Baltimore City Police Cadet Nolan Klado, who is under the age of 21, into the establishment to attempt to purchase an alcoholic beverage(s). At that time, Klado entered the establishment and ordered a 375 ml bottle of "Fireball" whiskey. Utilizing a departmental \$20 bill, Klado purchased the alcoholic beverage(s) from bartender/store clerk Alicia Brown. Klado then communicated to the task force that he had purchased an alcoholic beverage(s). Members of the task force entered the establishment and notified Ms. Brown that a minor had just purchased an alcoholic beverage(s) and it would be reported to the BLLC. The task force then recovered the marked currency from the bartender/store clerk and returned both the alcoholic beverage and change from the transaction to Ms. Brown. **POSTPONED**~~
3. **Nkiambi Jean Lema, Lema Systems, LLC, T/a Club Okapi, 2219 W. Pratt Street** – Class "D" Beer, Wine & Liquor License – **Violation of Rule 4.16 Illegal Conduct – November 16, 2018** – At approximately 10:10 PM, the Baltimore City Police Department and BLLC ("officials") conducted a joint investigation of this location due to recent acts of violence in and around the area. Upon arrival at the location, officials saw a female exit the establishment with a clear plastic cup in her hand, which she was observed to be drinking from. At this time, officials exited their vehicle and asked the female what she was drinking. She informed the officials that she was drinking "lime liquor" that she had purchased within the establishment. The officials then entered the establishment and spoke with Mr. Rodney Brown, the night manager. Agent Chrissomallis of the BLLC then informed Mr. Brown of the violation.
4. **Jamie 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 – November 24, 2018** – At approximately 1:00 AM, Baltimore City Liquor Board Inspector Andy Perez responded to a 311 Complaint (#18-00859200) alleging loud music at the establishment. Upon arriving at the location, Perez positioned himself nearly a block away from the establishment (corner of Grundy and Bank Streets) and observed loud music emanating from the establishment. Upon making this observation, Inspector Perez went into the establishment spoke with the operator, Mr. Christian Sanchez, about the complaint. After discussing the matter with the Mr. Sanchez the volume of the music was lowered.

Due to numerous warnings regarding loud music provided to this establishment prior to this incident, Inspector Perez issued a violation.

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5. **Shailja Anand, 5302 Frankford, LLC, T/a Tusker Lounge, 5302 Frankford Avenue** – Class “BD7” Beer, Wine & Liquor License – **Violation of Rule 4.20(c)(ii) Class BD7 Licensees: Open and Operating Tavern at all Times – October 30, 2018** – At approximately 9:30 PM, Inspector Andy Perez of the BLLC conducted an undercover investigation of this establishment to determine if staff would grant access to the tavern portion of the licensed premises to patrons. At this time, Inspector entered the establishment and asked the individual operating the packaged goods window, later identified as Mr. Dal Chhetri, if the bar was “open.” Mr. Chhetri replied that the “bar was temporarily closed” thereby denying access to the bar by Inspector Perez. At this time, Inspector Perez presented his agency issued badge and identification, thus revealing his identity to Mr. Chhetri. Upon identifying himself, Inspector Perez informed Mr. Chhetri of the violation and conducted a routine inspection. While conducting the inspection, Inspector Perez discovered that the emergency rear exit door had been dead bolted denying egress in and out of the establishment.

Violation of Rule 3.08(a) Sanitation and Safety – October 30, 2018 – At approximately 9:30 PM, Inspector Andy Perez of the BLLC conducted an undercover investigation of this establishment to determine if staff would grant access to the tavern portion of the licensed premises to patrons. At this time, Inspector entered the establishment and asked the individual operating the packaged goods window, later identified as Mr. Dal Chhetri, if the bar was “open.” Mr. Chhetri replied that the “bar was temporarily closed” thereby denying access to the bar by Inspector Perez. At this time, Inspector Perez presented his agency issued badge and identification, thus revealing his identity to Mr. Chhetri. Upon identifying himself, Inspector Perez informed Mr. Chhetri of the violation and conducted a routine inspection. While conducting the inspection, Inspector Perez discovered that the emergency rear exit door had been dead bolted denying egress in and out of the establishment.

**Please note that times given above are approximate. Parties are encouraged to arrive at least 30 minutes prior to the time noted above.*