

BOARD OF LIQUOR LICENSE COMMISSIONERS FOR BALTIMORE CITY
DOCKET – THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 27, 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. Christian Leopoldo Rugel and Carlos Navarro Sotelo, Amigos Bar, Inc., T/a Amigos Bar, 400 S. Eaton Street – Class “D” Beer, Wine & Liquor License – Violation of Rule 4.14 – Live Entertainment without Authorization** “A licensee shall only provide “live entertainment” or special amusement if he/she has obtained “Live Entertainment” approval by the City and this Board.” on October 17, 2024 (Re: Conducting live entertainment without permission). **Fine paid: \$500.**
(City Council District: 1st; State Legislative District: 46th)
- 2. Harry R. Miller, IV, Abbey Bistro, LLC, T/a Abbey Burger Bistro, 1041-43 Marshall Street – Class “B” Beer, Wine & Liquor License – Violation of Rule 4.14 – Live Entertainment without Authorization** “A licensee shall only provide “live entertainment” or special amusement if he/she has obtained “Live Entertainment” approval by the City and this Board” on November 2, 2024 (Re: Conducting live entertainment without permission); **Violation of Rule 3.03(3) – Records** “Licensees shall keep on their premises, records containing the legal names, aliases, addresses, ages, and the last four digits of the respective Social Security numbers of all of their employees. 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 November 2, 2024 (Re: Failing to produce employee records when requested by BLLC staff); **Violation of Rule 3.03(4)(ii) – Records** “Licensees shall have applied, or have proof of application, for...a trader’s license issued by the Circuit Court of Baltimore City” on November 2, 2024 (Re: Failing to produce a valid Trader’s License when requested by BLLC staff); **Violation of Rule 4.14 – Live Entertainment without Authorization** “A licensee shall only provide “live entertainment” or special amusement if he/she has obtained “Live Entertainment” approval by the City and this Board” on November 23, 2024 (Re: Conducting live entertainment without permission); **Violation of Rule 3.03(3) – Records** “Licensees shall keep on their premises, records containing the legal names, aliases, addresses, ages, and the last four digits of the respective Social Security numbers of all of their employees. 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 November 23, 2024 (Re: Failing to produce employee records when requested by BLLC staff). **Fine paid: \$2,700.**
(City Council District: 11th; State Legislative District: 46th)
- 3. Zenia M. Johns and Neil K. Vicks, Ziascos, LLC, T/a Ziascos, 1313 E. Pratt Street – 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 September 21, 2024 (Re: Allowing patrons to remain in licensed premises after legal hours of operation). **Fine paid: \$500.**
(City Council District: 12th; State Legislative District: 46th)

4. **John Kovacevich, Amendment 21, Inc., T/a Amendment 21, 4924-26 Harford Road** – Class “A” Beer, Wine & Liquor License – **Violation of Rule 4.17(1) – Storage** “A licensee may not store or keep alcoholic beverages, except on the premises covered by the license or at a public or government-controlled warehouse having a permit issued under Alcoholic Beverages and Cannabis Article of the Maryland Code.” on October 17, 2024 (Re: Storing alcohol in an unlicensed part of the premises); **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 October 17, 2024 (Re: Alcohol stored directly on the floor without 6-inch clearance). **Fine paid: \$300.**
(City Council District: 3rd; State Legislative District: 45th)
5. **Minh Quang Vo, Buttonwood Group, LLC, T/a The Buttonwood, 527 N. Charles Street** – Class “B” Beer, Wine & Liquor License – **Violation of Rule 3.03(4)(ii) – Records** “Licensees shall have applied, or have proof of application, for...a trader’s license issued by the Circuit Court of Baltimore City” on October 17, 2024 (Re: Failing to have a valid trader’s license). **Fine paid: \$300.**
(City Council District: 11th; State Legislative District: 46th)
6. **Dwarrew A. Bullock, Jr., Winston Lounge Bar & Grill, LLC, T/a Winston Lounge Bar & Grill, 2343 E. Monument Street** – Class “BD7” Beer, Wine & Liquor License – **Violation of Rule 4.05 – 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 November 23, 2024 (Re: Allowing patrons to remain in licensed premises after legal hours of operation); **Violation of Rule 3.03(3) – Records** “Licensees shall keep on their premises, records containing the legal names, aliases, addresses, ages, and the last four digits of the respective Social Security numbers of all of their employees. 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 November 23, 2024 (Re: Refusing to provide employee records when requested by BLLC staff). **Fine paid: \$800.**
(City Council District: 13th; State Legislative District: 45th)
7. **Rodney Brown (PR), 627 Duncan Restaurant, LLC, T/a Janae’s 2, 625-27 N. Duncan Street** – Class “D” Beer, Wine & Liquor License – **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 October 16, 2024 (Re: Failing to provide a valid Alcohol Awareness Certification); **Violation of Rule 3.03(4)(ii) – Records** “Licensees shall have applied, or have proof of application, for...a trader’s license issued by the Circuit Court of Baltimore City.” on October 16, 2024 (Re: Failing to provide a valid Trader’s License). **Fine paid: \$600.**
(City Council District: 13th; State Legislative District: 45th)

II. Violations:

8. **Jaime L. Balvuenza 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)

9. **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)
10. **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)
11. **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)

12. **Zenia M. Johns and Neil K. Vicks, Ziascos, LLC, T/a Ziascos, 1313 E. Pratt Street** – 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 27, 2024 (Re: Allowing patrons to remain in licensed premises after legal hours of operation.)
(City Council District: 12th; State Legislative District: 46th)
13. **Kairah Arce and Daniel Arce, D & D Arce, LLC, T/a The Twins, 4020 E. Lombard Street** – 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 4, 2024 (Re: Unlicensed adult entertainment); **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 4, 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)
14. **Malcolm H. Delaney and Anthony Fitzgerald, So Baltimore, LLC, T/a So Baltimore Sports Bar & Grill, 3734 Fleet Street** – Class “BD7” Beer, Wine & Liquor License – **Violation of Rule 4.14 – Live Entertainment without Authorization** “A Licensee shall only provide “live entertainment” or special amusement if h/she has obtained “Live Entertainment” approval by the City and this Board” on November 18, 2024 (Re: Engaging in live entertainment without authorization)
(City Council District: 1st; State Legislative District: 46th)
15. **Dhruba Raj Onta, BDU Nepal, LLC, T/a Bristol Liquors, 501 S. Broadway** – Class “BD7” Beer, Wine & Liquor License – **Violation of Rule 4.01(1) – Sales to Minors:** “A licensee or any employee or agent of the licensee may not sell any alcoholic beverages at any time to a person under 21 years of age for the underage person’s own use or for the use of any other person.” on October 10, 2024 (Re: Sale of alcohol to a minor.)
(City Council District: 1st; State Legislative District: 46th)
16. **Andrew Lansinki and Lonnie Shaulis, Crockett & Tubbs, Inc., T/a Nola Seafood & Spirits, 32-36 E. Cross Street** – Class “B” Beer, Wine & Liquor License – **Violation of Rule 4.01(1) – Sales to**

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(City Council District: 11th; State Legislative District: 46th)

17. **Terence Dickson, New Terra Café, LLC, T/a New Terra Café, 101 E. 25th Street** – Class “B” Beer, Wine & Liquor License – **Violation of Rule 4.14 – Live Entertainment without Authorization** “A Licensee shall only provide “live entertainment” or special amusement if h/she has obtained “Live Entertainment” approval by the City and this Board” on October 1, 2024 (Re: Engaging in live entertainment after the hours that were approved by BMZA); **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 1, 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 1, 2024 (Re: violation of Baltimore City Health Code § 9-306(2)(i)); **Violation of Rule 3.02(a) – Cooperation** “A licensee and its employees shall cooperate with a state or local agency in the course of conducting official business including but not limited to...The Board” (Re: Failing to produce a use and occupancy permit when requested by BLLC staff).
(City Council District: 12th; State Legislative District: 43A)
18. **Kassin M. Ahmed and Suad A. Ahmed, Sunlight Lounge, Inc., T/a Enigma Bar and Restaurant, 1713-15 Eastern Avenue** – Class “D” Beer, Wine & Liquor License – **Violation of Rule 4.01(1) – Sales to Minors:** “A licensee or any employee or agent of the licensee may not sell any alcoholic beverages at any time to a person under 21 years of age for the underage person’s own use or for the use of any other person.” on October 10, 2024 (Re: Sale of alcohol to a minor.)
(City Council District: 1st; State Legislative District: 46th)
19. **Shelley Gordon and Dolores Reicher, Silverlud, Inc., T/a Circus Bar, 427 E. Baltimore Street** – Class “BD7” Beer, Wine & Liquor License & Class “AE” Adult Entertainment License – **Violation of Rule 4.01(1) – Sales to Minors:** “A licensee or any employee or agent of the licensee may not sell any alcoholic beverages at any time to a person under 21 years of age for the underage person’s own use or for the use of any other person.” on October 10, 2024 (Re: Sale of alcohol to a minor.)
(City Council District: 11th; State Legislative District: 46th)
20. **Juileanna McGuire, Sangria, LLC, T/a Sangria, 930 N. Charles Street** – Class “B” Beer, Wine & Liquor License – **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 November 11, 2024 (Re: Uncovered trashcan and overflowing dumpster); **Violation of Rule 3.01(1) – Ownership and Operation** “Every licensee shall be the actual owner and operator of the business conducted on the licensed premises. The identity of any person, other than the licensee, having any financial interest in and/or exercising dominion and control over a licensed premises shall be disclosed to the Board in writing” on November 15, 2024 (Re: Failure to disclose financial interest of Obelabo Nwoko); **Violation of Rule 4.20(2) – Specific Requirements and Prohibited Activities by License Type** “The holders of a Class B license shall have on premises: a) A fully functioning kitchen having complete facilities and utensils for preparing and serving hot and/or cold meals to the public...b) The premises shall maintain a menu advertising the serving of a variety of meals. There shall be on the premises at all times sufficient food to fill orders from the menu” on November 15,

2024 (Re: Failure to maintain an operating kitchen and lack of food to be prepared and served); **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 November 15, 2024 (Re: Individuals smoking hookah inside establishment in violation of MD Code, Health - General, § 24-504 aka Clean Indoor Air Act); **Violation of Rule 3.03(3) – Records** “Licensees shall keep on their premises, records containing the legal names, aliases, addresses, ages, and the last four digits of the respective Social Security numbers of all of their employees. The records shall be kept on the licensed premises and be made available for inspection by members of the Board, its employees...” on November 15, 2024 (Re: Failing to provide employee records when requested by BLLC staff); **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 November 15, 2024 (Re: Failing to provide receipts of alcoholic beverage purchases when requested to do so by BLLC staff).

III. Monetary Penalty Denials

21. **Gerardo Garcia Sanchez, Garcia Restaurant, LLC, T/a Carnitas Rocio, 500 S. Wolfe Street – Class “B” Beer, Wine & Liquor License – Violation of Rule 4.14 – Live Entertainment without Authorization** “A licensee shall only provide “live entertainment” or special amusement if he/she has obtained “Live Entertainment” approval by the City and this Board” on October 19, 2024 (Re: Conducting live entertainment without permission); **Violation of Rule 4.20(2) – Prohibited Activities by License Type** “The holders of a Class B license shall have on premises...A fully functioning kitchen having complete facilities and utensils for preparing and serving hot and/or cold meals to the public and sufficient food to fill orders from the menu” October 19, 2024 (Re: The refrigerator was empty and unplugged. The kitchen was not operational and was being used for storage); **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 October 19, 2024 (Re: Failing to produce an alcohol awareness certificate); **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 October 19, 2024 (Re: Failing to produce receipts for the purchase of alcohol although licensee had received a warning for same issue on 9/21/24).
(City Council District: 1st; State Legislative District: 46th)

22. **George Kritikos, 36 S. Eutaw, Inc., T/a Goddess, 36-38 S. Eutaw Street – Class “BD7” Beer, Wine & Liquor License and Class “AE” Adult Entertainment License – Violation of Rule 4.08(1) – Relations with Wholesalers** “A licensee may not purchase alcoholic beverages except from a licensed manufacturer or wholesaler. A licensee may not sell to any other licensee alcoholic beverages. A licensee may not keep or permit to be kept upon the licensed premises any alcoholic beverages unless purchased in accordance with this section” on September 9, 2024 (Re: Purchasing alcohol from an establishment that is not a licensed manufacturer or wholesaler); **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 September 9, 2024 (Re: Failing to produce records of the purchase of Hennessy bottles shown to BLLC staff).
(City Council District: 11th; State Legislative District: 40th)

- 23. Andrew Wheeler, Locals Only Baltimore, LLC, T/a Locals Only, 25 E. Cross Street – Class “BD7” Beer, Wine & Liquor License – Violation of Rule 4.14 – Live Entertainment without Authorization** “A licensee shall only provide “live entertainment” or special amusement if he/she has obtained “Live Entertainment” approval by the City and this Board” on November 16, 2024 (Re: Conducting live entertainment without permission); **Violation of Rule 3.03(4)(ii) – Records** “Licensees shall have applied, or have proof of application, for...a trader’s license issued by the Circuit Court of Baltimore City” on November 16, 2024 (Re: Failing to produce a valid Trader’s License when requested by BLLC staff); **Violation of Rule 4.14 – Live Entertainment without Authorization** “A licensee shall only provide “live entertainment” or special amusement if he/she has obtained “Live Entertainment” approval by the City and this Board” on November 29, 2024 (Re: Conducting live entertainment without permission).
(City Council District: 11th; State Legislative District: 46th)