

BOARD OF LIQUOR LICENSE COMMISSIONERS FOR BALTIMORE CITY
DOCKET – THURSDAY, JUNE 13, 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. Regular Items (New, Transfers, Expansions and Hardships):

- 1. Henry Berger, Jr., Berger’s Tavern, Inc., T/a Berger’s Tavern, 5523 Belair Road – Class “BD7” Beer, Wine & Liquor License – Request for a hardship extension under the provisions of the Alcoholic Beverages Article § 12-2202.**
- 2. Christopher Spann, Riverside Avenue, Inc., T/a Ludlow Market, 921 E. Fort Avenue, Unit 135 – Class “BD7” Beer, Wine & Liquor License – Request for a hardship extension under the provisions of the Alcoholic Beverages Article § 12-2202.**
- 3. Rosita I. Cassell, Sign of the Times, Inc., T/a Sign of the Times, 137-39 N. Belnord Avenue – Class “BD7” Beer, Wine & Liquor License – Request for a hardship extension under the provisions of the Alcoholic Beverages Article § 12-2202.**
- 4. Kwang Hee Lee and Hyon Lee, South Cross Street Market, LLC, T/a Nick’s Inner Harbor Seafood, Cross Street Market – Class “D” Beer & Wine License – Request for a hardship extension under the provisions of the Alcoholic Beverages Article § 12-2202.**
- 5. Ganesh Kunwar, Madan Wagle, and Chunne Bishwokarma, Sri Balaji, Inc., T/a Portside Tavern & Lounge, 2821-23 O’Donnell Street – Class “BD7” Beer, Wine & Liquor License – Request for a transfer hardship extension under the provisions of the Alcoholic Beverages Article § 12-1705(b).**
- ~~6. Ferdinand K. Hui, Little Chang, LLC, T/a Trade Name Pending, 2322 Boston Street – Class “BD7” Beer, Wine & Liquor License – Request for a transfer hardship extension under the provisions of the Alcoholic Beverages Article § 12-1705(b). POSTPONED~~**

1:00 p.m.

II. Violations:

- 1. Sarbjit Singh and Sonya Walker, Badwal, LLC, T/a Lombard Liquor & Bar, 1000 W. Lombard Street – Class “BD7” Beer, Wine & Liquor License – Violation of Rule 4.16 Illegal Conduct – October 10, 2018 – At approximately 10:00 AM, the Maryland State Comptroller’s Office**

conducted a routine liquor, business license, and tobacco inspection of the location. While conducting their inspections the Comptroller's agents discovered "other tobacco products" ("OTP"), which include cigars, cigarillos, chewing tobacco and loose tobacco products that were displayed for sale. Upon making these observations, the Comptroller's investigators asked the licensee, Ms. Sarbjit Singh and her husband, Mr. Harpal Badwal for receipts regarding these OTPs. Mr. Badwal provided numerous receipts for the Comptroller's investigators to review. Upon review of these receipts, the investigators could not account for all of the OTP that was on display for sale and stored within the establishment. Accordingly, the Comptroller's investigators seized all of the OTP that could not be accounted for based on the receipts submitted by Mr. Badwal.

Violation of Tax Gen'll Art. §13-1014 (a) Willful possession, sale, or offer to sell unstamped or improperly stamped cigarettes – October 10, 2018 – At approximately 10:00 AM, the Maryland State Comptroller's Office conducted a routine liquor, business license, and tobacco inspection of the location. While conducting their inspections the Comptroller's agents discovered "other tobacco products" ("OTP"), which include cigars, cigarillos, chewing tobacco and loose tobacco products that were displayed for sale. Upon making these observations, the Comptroller's investigators asked the licensee, Ms. Sarbjit Singh and her husband, Mr. Harpal Badwal for receipts regarding these OTPs. Mr. Badwal provided numerous receipts for the Comptroller's investigators to review. Upon review of these receipts, the investigators could not account for all of the OTP that was on display for sale and stored within the establishment. Accordingly, the Comptroller's investigators seized all of the OTP that could not be accounted for based on the receipts submitted by Mr. Badwal.

- 2. Steven Stansbury, The One Sports Bar & Lounge, LLC, T/a The One Sports Bar & Lounge, 4314-16 Curtis Avenue – Class "B" Beer, Wine & Liquor License – Violation of Rule 3.08(b) Sanitation and Safety – March 8, 2019** – At approximately 9:10 PM, members of the Police Department, Fire Department, Health Department, Housing Department, and BLLC ("taskforce") entered the location to conduct a routine inspection. At the time of the inspection, manager Oliver Miles was in full control of the establishment. During an inspection conducted by Fire Inspectors Michael Hine and Dennis Dawson discovered that the electrical panel within the establishment had been tampered with allowing the establishment to be powered without the use of an electrical meter. Upon making these observations, Fire Inspectors Hine and Dawson contacted a technician from The Baltimore Gas and Electric Company (BGE) to conduct an inspection of the premises. The BGE technician arrived on scene and confirmed that the wiring in the electrical panel had been removed and illegally been rewired thus allowing the establishment to receive electrical service without proper monitoring and payment to BGE. Fire Inspectors Hine and Dawson issued a "Cease and Desist" order and closed the establishment.

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- 3. Gurdeep Singh, Son-Son, Inc., T/a Son Son Tavern & Liquor Store, 308 N. Eutaw Street – Class "BD7" Beer, Wine & Liquor License – Violation of Rule 3.08(a) Sanitation and Safety – April 26, 2019** – At approximately 8:55 PM, members of the Social Club Task Force, which consisted of participants from the Baltimore City Police Department, the Fire Department, the Health Department, the Department of Housing and Community Development (DHCD), and the BLLC conducted an inspection of the location. Upon entering the establishment, DHCD inspectors conducted a follow-up investigation to determine if violations issued to the establishment a year prior had been abated. While on location DHCD inspectors observed the same code violations for which the establishment was cited for in April of 2018. At that time, DHCD inspectors reissued the housing code violations to the establishment. In addition, Health Depart inspectors also conducted an inspection of the establishment and observed the following fire code violation: charcoal hookahs that appeared to have been used inside of the establishment.

Violation of Rule 3.09(b) Rest Room Facilities and Health Regulations – April 26, 2019 – At approximately 8:55 PM, members of the Social Club Task Force, which consisted of participants from the Baltimore City Police Department, the Fire Department, the Health Department, the Department of Housing and Community Development (DHCD), and the BLLC conducted an inspection of the location. Upon entering the establishment, Health Department inspectors conducted an inspection of the establishment and observed the following violation: charcoal hookahs that appeared to have been used inside of the establishment.

- 4. Julieanna McGuire, Sangria, LLC, T/a Sangria, 930 N. Charles Street – Class "B" Beer, Wine & Liquor License – Violation of Rule 3.09(b) Rest Room Facilities and Health Regulations – April 26, 2019** – At approximately 10:35 PM, members of the Social Club Task Force, which consisted of participants from the Baltimore City Police Department, the Fire Department, the Health Department, the Department of Housing and Community Development (DHCD), and the BLLC conducted an inspection of the location. Upon entering the establishment, Health Department Inspectors Denise Rohl and Todd Ward conducted a routine health inspection of the facility. Inspectors Rohl and Ward found the following violations: a grease trap in the kitchen that was not properly hooked up, a heavy build-up of grease emptying into the sump pump, and acoustical ceiling tiles within the food prep and utensil washing area. Due to the health code violations, the Health Department inspectors closed the establishment for the evening.
- 5. 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 – February 3, 2019** – At approximately 8:26 PM, the Agent Andy Perez received to a 311 Customer Service Request #19-00064111 in reference to a complaint regarding loud music emanating from the establishment. At approximately 10:30 PM Agent Perez responded to the location and observed the establishment. During that time period, Agent Perez heard unreasonably loud music emanating from the establishment that affected the nearby residences. At the time, Agent Perez did not issue a violation directly to the establishment out of concern for his safety due to the large number of people congregating in and around the establishment at the time he responded.

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