

BOARD OF LIQUOR LICENSE COMMISSIONERS FOR BALTIMORE CITY
DOCKET – TUESDAY, AUGUST 18, 2020 – 11:00 a.m.
WEBEX VIRTUAL MEETING

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. Violations:

1. **Heber I. Portillo, Restautante El Salvador, Inc., T/a Restaurante El Salvador, 207 S. Broadway – Class “D” Beer, Wine & Liquor License – Violation of Rule 4.16 Illegal Conduct – March 17, 2020** – At approximately 9:10 PM, Baltimore City Police Detective L.C. Greenhill, along with members of the Vice Unit, were conducting business checks on the 200 Block of South Broadway to ensure compliance with Governor Lawrence J. Hogan’s Executive Order issued March 16, 2020, which amended Governor Hogan’s earlier Executive Order issued on March 12, 2020. Upon entry to the establishment Det. Greenhill observed two (2) customers sitting inside of the establishment who were seated with napkins and silverware on the table. Det. Greenhill further observed a waitress coming from the kitchen area carry two plates of food to be served to the customers who were sitting at the table. Det. Greenhill then made contact with the licensee, Mr. Heber Portillo, who was located in the rear of the establishment. Det. Greenhill then informed Mr. Portillo that as per the Governor’s Executive Order, licensed establishments were prohibited from allowing patrons to consume food or alcohol on-premises for any reason. Det. Greenhill noticed that while he was speaking with Mr. Portillo, the customers left the establishment. At that time, Det. Greenhill and members of the Vice Unit left the establishment in control of Mr. Portillo.

Violation of Rule 3.12 General Welfare – March 17, 2020 – At approximately 9:10 PM, Baltimore City Police Detective L.C. Greenhill, along with members of the Vice Unit, were conducting business checks on the 200 Block of South Broadway to ensure compliance with Governor Lawrence J. Hogan’s Executive Order issued March 16, 2020, which amended Governor Hogan’s earlier Executive Order issued on March 12, 2020. Upon entry to the establishment Det. Greenhill observed two (2) customers sitting inside of the establishment who were seated with napkins and silverware on the table. Det. Greenhill further observed a waitress coming from the kitchen area carry two plates of food to be served to the customers who were sitting at the table. Det. Greenhill then made contact with the licensee, Mr. Heber Portillo, who was located in the rear of the establishment. Det. Greenhill then informed Mr. Portillo that as per the Governor’s Executive Order, licensed establishments were prohibited from allowing patrons to consume food or alcohol on-premises for any reason. Det. Greenhill noticed that while he was speaking with Mr. Portillo, the customers left the establishment. At that time, Det. Greenhill and members of the Vice Unit left the establishment in control of Mr. Portillo.

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the establishment was allowing customers inside the bar on the second floor to drink and socialize in violation of Governor Lawrence J. Hogan's Executive Order issued March 16, 2020, which amended Governor Hogan's earlier Executive Order issued on March 12, 2020. Upon entry to the establishment Det. Greenhill made contact with the manager of the establishment, Mr. Sean Puryear, who is the son of the licensee, Ms. Martha Puryear. A review of the alcoholic beverage license indicated that the 1st floor was the only place within the establishment that was authorized for alcoholic beverage service. After advising Mr. Puryear of the allegations, Det. Greenhill asked to inspect the second floor of the establishment. On the second floor of the establishment, Det. Greenhill observed three (3) males, two of which were seated at a folding table and one of which was seated on a couch. Det. Greenhill also observed various open alcoholic beverage containers, indicating that alcoholic beverages were being consumed on the second floor. Further investigation revealed that none of the individuals located on the second floor were relatives of the manager or employees of the establishment. On May 7, 2020, Det. Greenhill was able to confirm with Housing Investigator McGinnis that that the second floor was not authorized to be used by the establishment. In addition, Investigator McGinnis informed Det. Greenhill that a prior violation had been issued to the establishment for unauthorized use of the second floor.

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Violation of Rule 3.08(a) Sanitation and Safety — May 6, 2020 — At approximately 8:40 PM, Baltimore City Police Detective L.C. Greenhill responded to the establishment to conduct an investigation upon receiving a letter from a community representative who stated illegal activity was occurring at the location. The letter indicated that the management of the establishment was allowing customers inside the bar on the second floor to drink and socialize in violation of Governor Lawrence J. Hogan's Executive Order issued March 16, 2020, which amended Governor Hogan's earlier Executive Order issued on March 12, 2020. Upon entry to the establishment Det. Greenhill made contact with the manager of the establishment, Mr. Sean Puryear, who is the son of the licensee, Ms. Martha Puryear. A review of the alcoholic beverage license indicated that the 1st

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3. ~~Aaron O. Hammons and Samori Wyatt, Shipyard Investors, Inc., T/a Shipyard Pub, 3500 O'Donnell Street — Class "BD7" Beer, Wine & Liquor License — Violation of Rule 4.16 Illegal Conduct — May 1, 2020~~ — At approximately 8:10 PM, Baltimore City Liquor Board Agent Andy Perez and Inspector Cindy Tudhope responded to the establishment to conduct an inspection to ensure that it was in compliance with Governor Lawrence J. Hogan's Executive Order issued March 16, 2020, which amended Governor Hogan's earlier Executive Order issued on March 12, 2020. Specifically, inspectors were conducting inspections to ensure that establishments were not serving patrons nor allowing patrons to consume alcoholic beverages on premises in violation of the amended Executive Order. Upon arrival, Agent Perez and Inspector Tudhope observed four (4) individuals hanging out on the side entrance of the establishment, which is located on South Baylis Street. At this time, BLLC staff observed several patrons being served alcoholic beverages through a service window on the front of the establishment. At approximately 8:35 PM, Agent Perez and Inspector Tudhope returned to the establishment and observed — through a window — the same four (4) patrons who were previously hanging out near the side entrance of the establishment, inside of the establishment consuming what appeared to be alcoholic beverages out of 32-ounce clear containers. At approximately 8:38 PM Inspectors attempted to gain entry to the establishment by knocking on the side and front door. A female employee opened the front door and allowed inspectors to gain entry. At that time, inspectors made contact with Mr. Aaron Hammons, the licensee, who was on the premises. Inspectors informed Mr. Hammons that as per the Governor's Executive Order, licensed establishments were prohibited from allowing patrons to consume on-premises for any reason. Agent Perez issued the violation and instructed Mr. Hammons to cease allowing for the consumption of alcoholic beverages on premises.

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- 4. Ilija Prado and Angela Price, Angie's Seafood, Inc., T/a Angie's Seafood, 1727 E. Pratt Street – Class "B" Beer, Wine & Liquor License – Violation of Rule 4.16 Illegal Conduct – May 1, 2020**
– At approximately 9:50 PM, Baltimore City Liquor Board Agent Andy Perez and Inspector Cindy Tudhope responded to the establishment to conduct an inspection to ensure that it was in compliance with Governor Lawrence J. Hogan's Executive Order issued March 16, 2020, which amended Governor Hogan's earlier Executive Order issued on March 12, 2020. Specifically, inspectors were conducting inspections to ensure that establishments were not serving patrons nor allowing patrons to consume alcoholic beverages on-premises in violation of the amended Executive Order. Upon arrival, Agent Perez and Inspector Tudhope observed a large amount of vehicles parked in the parking lot adjacent to the establishment and a "high flow" of individuals entering and exiting the establishment. At approximately 10:00 PM Agent Perez and Inspector Tudhope attempted to enter the establishment, but the entry door was locked. After several moments an employee of the establishment unlocked the door and allowed entry to BLLC staff. Upon entering the establishment, BLLC staff observed approximately fourteen (14) patrons, some of which were observed consuming what appeared to be alcoholic mixed drinks out of clear plastic cups with lids and straws at bar area. Further investigation revealed two (2) female patrons seated at a table in the dining room area consuming food and drink out of carryout containers. Lastly, one (1) patron was observed seated at a different table consuming what appeared to be an alcoholic beverage from a clear plastic cup. At this time, the Inspectors made contact with the manager of the establishment. The manager, Ms. Angela Price, was informed of the violation. Inspectors informed the manager that as per the Governor's Executive Order, licensed establishments were prohibited from allowing patrons to consume on-premises for any reason. Agent Perez issued the violation and instructed the manager to cease allowing for the consumption of alcoholic beverages on-premises.

Violation of Rule 3.12 General Welfare – May 1, 2020 – At approximately 9:50 PM, Baltimore City Liquor Board Agent Andy Perez and Inspector Cindy Tudhope responded to the establishment to conduct an inspection to ensure that it was in compliance with Governor Lawrence J. Hogan's Executive Order issued March 16, 2020, which amended Governor Hogan's earlier Executive Order issued on March 12, 2020. Specifically, inspectors were conducting inspections to ensure that establishments were not serving patrons nor allowing patrons to consume alcoholic beverages on-premises in violation of the amended Executive Order. Upon arrival, Agent Perez and Inspector Tudhope observed a large amount of vehicles parked in the parking lot adjacent to the establishment and a "high flow" of individuals entering and exiting the establishment. At approximately 10:00 PM Agent Perez and Inspector Tudhope attempted to enter the establishment, but the entry door was locked. After several moments an employee of the establishment unlocked the door and allowed entry to BLLC staff. Upon entering the

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5. **Nathaniel Alton Brown, Jr., Lust Entertainment, LLC, T/a Lust, 408 E. Baltimore Street – Class "BD7" Beer, Wine & Liquor License and Adult Entertainment "AE" License – Violation of Alcoholic Beverages Rule and Regulation 4.16 Illegal Conduct – June 25, 2020 –** At approximately 1:10 AM, Baltimore City Police Detective L.C. Greenhill, along with members of the Vice Unit, responded to a complaint for overcrowding at the establishment in violation of Governor Lawrence J Hogan's Executive Order 20-06-10-01 and Mayor Bernard "Jack" Young's Executive Order issued on June 19, 2020. Earlier that week, on June 22, 2020, Det. Greenhill had visited the establishment and spoke with licensee Mr. Nathaniel Brown and advised him that as per the Governor's Executive Order and Mayoral Executive Order, he had to maintain a patron population that did not exceed 50% of the maximum occupancy of the establishment as per the Baltimore City Fire Department Permit. On June 22, 2020, Det. Greenhill confirmed that as per the Baltimore City Fire Department Permit, the maximum occupancy load for the establishments first and second floor was 87. Accordingly, Det. Greenhill advised Mr. Brown that he should have no more than 43 persons within the establishment at any one time to remain in compliance with the Executive Orders. Upon entering the establishment on June 25, 2020 at 1:10 AM, Det. Greenhill observed more than 50 persons on the second floor of the establishment. At that time, Det. Greenhill advised the licensee of the issue, who then informed his staff not to allow any more patrons in the establishment. Det. Greenhill then left the establishment in control of the licensee, Mr. Brown.

Violation of Alcoholic Beverages Rule and Regulation Rule 3.12 General Welfare – June 25, 2020 – At approximately 1:10 AM, Baltimore City Police Detective L.C. Greenhill, along with members of the Vice Unit, responded to a complaint for overcrowding at the establishment in violation of Governor Lawrence J Hogan's Executive Order 20-06-10-01 and Mayor Bernard "Jack" Young's Executive Order issued on June 19, 2020. Earlier that week, on June 22, 2020, Det. Greenhill had visited the establishment and spoke with licensee Mr. Nathaniel Brown and advised him that as per the Governor's Executive Order and Mayoral Executive Order, he had to maintain a patron population that did not exceed 50% of the maximum occupancy of the establishment as per the Baltimore City Fire Department Permit. On June 22, 2020, Det. Greenhill confirmed that as per the Baltimore City Fire Department Permit, the maximum occupancy load for the establishments first and second floor was 87. Accordingly, Det. Greenhill advised Mr. Brown that he should have no more than 43 persons within the establishment at any one time to remain in compliance with the Executive Orders. Upon entering the establishment on June 25, 2020 at 1:10 AM, Det. Greenhill observed more than 50 persons on the second floor of the establishment. At that time, Det. Greenhill advised the licensee of the issue, who then informed his staff not to allow any more

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Violation of Rule Alcoholic Beverages Rule and Regulation 4.16 Illegal Conduct – July 12, 2020 – At approximately 1:00 AM, Baltimore City Police Detective L.C. Greenhill, along with members of the Vice Unit, responded to a complaint for overcrowding at the establishment in violation of Governor Lawrence J Hogan’s Executive Order 20-06-10-01 and Mayor Bernard “Jack” Young’s Executive Order issued on June 19, 2020. On June 22, 2020, Det. Greenhill had visited the establishment and spoke with licensee Mr. Nathaniel Brown and advised him that as per the Governor’s Executive Order and Mayoral Executive Order, he had to maintain a patron population that did not exceed 50% of the maximum occupancy of the establishment as per the Baltimore City Fire Department Permit. On June 22, 2020, Det. Greenhill confirmed that as per the Baltimore City Fire Department Permit, the maximum occupancy load for the establishments first and second floor was 87. Accordingly, Det. Greenhill advised Mr. Brown that he should have no more than 43 persons within the establishment at any one time to remain in compliance with the Executive Orders. Upon entering the establishment on July 12, 2020 at 1:00 AM, Det. Greenhill observed more than 80 patrons on the second floor of the establishment. In addition, Det. Greenhill was informed by the licensee, Mr. Brown, that he had an additional 36 to 40 female dancers working in the establishment too. At 1:15 AM, Det. Greenhill advised the licensee of the issue, who then informed his staff not to allow any more patrons in the establishment. Det. Greenhill further advised the licensee that he should close the establishment at 1:30 AM. The licensee complied and closed the location at 1:30 AM, clearing all patrons, employees, and contractors from the establishment. Det. Greenhill then left the establishment in control of the licensee, Mr. Brown.

Violation of Alcoholic Beverages Rule and Regulation Rule 3.12 General Welfare – July 12, 2020 – At approximately 1:00 AM, Baltimore City Police Detective L.C. Greenhill, along with members of the Vice Unit, responded to a complaint for overcrowding at the establishment in violation of Governor Lawrence J Hogan’s Executive Order 20-06-10-01 and Mayor Bernard “Jack” Young’s Executive Order issued on June 19, 2020. On June 22, 2020, Det. Greenhill had visited the establishment and spoke with licensee Mr. Nathaniel Brown and advised him that as per the Governor’s Executive Order and Mayoral Executive Order, he had to maintain a patron population that did not exceed 50% of the maximum occupancy of the establishment as per the Baltimore City Fire Department Permit. On June 22, 2020, Det. Greenhill confirmed that as per the Baltimore City Fire Department Permit, the maximum occupancy load for the establishments first and second floor was 87. Accordingly, Det. Greenhill advised Mr. Brown that he should have no more than 43 persons within the establishment at any one time to remain in compliance with the Executive Orders. Upon entering the establishment on July 12, 2020 at 1:00 AM, Det. Greenhill observed more than 80 patrons on the second floor of the establishment. In addition, Det. Greenhill was informed by the licensee, Mr. Brown, that he had an additional 36 to 40 female dancers working in the establishment too. At 1:15 AM, Det. Greenhill advised the licensee of the issue, who then informed his staff not to allow any more patrons in the establishment. Det. Greenhill further advised the licensee that he should close the establishment at 1:30 AM. The licensee complied and closed the location at 1:30 AM, clearing all patrons, employees, and contractors from the establishment. Det. Greenhill then left the establishment in control of the licensee, Mr. Brown.

Violation of Adult Entertainment Rules and Regulation 3.10(a) Sanitation and Safety - June 25, 2020 – At approximately 1:10 AM, Baltimore City Police Detective L.C. Greenhill, along with

members of the Vice Unit, responded to a complaint for overcrowding at the establishment in violation of Governor Lawrence J Hogan's Executive Order 20-06-10-01 and Mayor Bernard "Jack" Young's Executive Order issued on June 19, 2020. Earlier that week, on June 22, 2020, Det. Greenhill had visited the establishment and spoke with licensee Mr. Nathaniel Brown and advised him that as per the Governor's Executive Order and Mayoral Executive Order, he had to maintain a patron population that did not exceed 50% of the maximum occupancy of the establishment as per the Baltimore City Fire Department Permit. On June 22, 2020, Det. Greenhill confirmed that as per the Baltimore City Fire Department Permit, the maximum occupancy load for the establishments first and second floor was 87. Accordingly, Det. Greenhill advised Mr. Brown that he should have no more than 43 persons within the establishment at any one time to remain in compliance with the Executive Orders. Upon entering the establishment on June 25, 2020 at 1:10 AM, Det. Greenhill observed more than 50 persons on the second floor of the establishment. At that time, Det. Greenhill advised the licensee of the issue, who then informed his staff not to allow any more patrons in the establishment. Det. Greenhill then left the establishment in control of the licensee, Mr. Brown.

Violation of Adult Entertainment Rules and Regulation 3.18 (a) Illegal Conduct and Codes Compliance - June 25, 2020 – At approximately 1:10 AM, Baltimore City Police Detective L.C. Greenhill, along with members of the Vice Unit, responded to a complaint for overcrowding at the establishment in violation of Governor Lawrence J Hogan's Executive Order 20-06-10-01 and Mayor Bernard "Jack" Young's Executive Order issued on June 19, 2020. Earlier that week, on June 22, 2020, Det. Greenhill had visited the establishment and spoke with licensee Mr. Nathaniel Brown and advised him that as per the Governor's Executive Order and Mayoral Executive Order, he had to maintain a patron population that did not exceed 50% of the maximum occupancy of the establishment as per the Baltimore City Fire Department Permit. On June 22, 2020, Det. Greenhill confirmed that as per the Baltimore City Fire Department Permit, the maximum occupancy load for the establishments first and second floor was 87. Accordingly, Det. Greenhill advised Mr. Brown that he should have no more than 43 persons within the establishment at any one time to remain in compliance with the Executive Orders. Upon entering the establishment on June 25, 2020 at 1:10 AM, Det. Greenhill observed more than 50 persons on the second floor of the establishment. At that time, Det. Greenhill advised the licensee of the issue, who then informed his staff not to allow any more patrons in the establishment. Det. Greenhill then left the establishment in control of the licensee, Mr. Brown.