

BOARD OF LIQUOR LICENSE COMMISSIONERS FOR BALTIMORE CITY
DOCKET – THURSDAY, OCTOBER 5, 2023 – 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. Regular Items (New, Transfers, and Expansions):

- 1. Ethel Denise Joy, 748, LLC, T/a Trade Name Pending, 3432-34 S. Hanover Street – Class “BD7” Beer, Wine & Liquor License – Application to transfer ownership requesting outdoor table service, off-premises catering, and delivery of alcoholic beverages.**
- 2. Gurjot Singh, Fayette Liquor, LLC, T/a Fayette Liquor Plus, 1434 E. Fayette Street – Class “A” Beer, Wine & Liquor License – Application to transfer ownership requesting delivery of alcoholic beverages.**

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

- 3. John Zorzit, Secured Creditor, T/a No Trade Name, 2501 Fleet Street – Class “BD7” Beer, Wine & Liquor License – Request for a hardship extension under the provisions of the Alcoholic Beverages & Cannabis Article § 12-2202.**

III. Regular Items (90-day Transfer Hardship Requests):

- 4. Juan DeLeon, 6700 German Hill Libations, LLC, T/a Trade Name Pending, 6700 German Hill Road – Class “BD7” Beer, Wine & Liquor License – Request for a transfer hardship extension under the provisions of the Alcoholic Beverages & Cannabis Article §12-1705(b).**
- 5. Catherine Yvonne Savoy, Savoy Management Services, LLC, T/a Club Pussycat, 411 E. Baltimore Street – Class “BD7” Beer, Wine & Liquor License & Class “AE” Adult Entertainment License – Request for a transfer hardship extension under the provisions of the Alcoholic Beverages & Cannabis Article §12-1705(b).**
- 6. Bruce S. Lee, Shoyou Canton, Inc., T/a Sushi Bruceya, 1634 Aliceanna Street – Class “B” Beer, Wine & Liquor License – Request for a transfer hardship extension under the provisions of the Alcoholic Beverages & Cannabis Article §12-1705(b).**

IV. Violations:

- 1. Suah Lee and Darline Williams, Suah Lighthouse Company, Inc., T/a Club Bar, 1609 Laurens Street – Class “A-7” Beer, Wine & Liquor License – **Violation of Rule 4.01(a) – Sales to Minors (Selling) – July 20, 2023** – On July 20, 2023, Board of Liquor License Commissioners (BLLC) Inspectors Cindy Tudhope and Kenyatta Washington, along with members of the Baltimore City Sheriff’s Office Special Operations Unit (Sheriff) conducted random, joint investigations of**

establishments in the capacity of Underage Task Force to determine if licensees would sell alcoholic beverages to minors. Working as minors were Sheriff Cadets Dylan Weitzman and Carmen Gough, both of whom at the time of the incident were under the age of 21.

At approximately 8:47pm, the Underage Task Force arrived at the establishment. At this time Cadet Gough entered the establishment and purchased a two (2) Jack Daniels 50ml bottles of whiskey for \$6.00 total from the store employee, later identified as Lelia Michele Dempsey. The Cadet then notified the rest of the Underage Task Force that they had made a purchase of alcohol. Moments later, the Underage Task Force entered the establishment and informed Ms. Dempsey that she had just sold alcohol to an underage Sheriff Cadet. BLLC Inspectors then issued a violation and vacated the establishment without further incident.

- 2. Seon Joo Lee (SS), Bacchus Bar & Liquors, Inc., T/a Bacchus Bar & Liquors, 1220 W. North Avenue – Class "A-7" Beer, Wine & Liquor License – Violation of Rule 4.01(a) – Sales to Minors (Selling) – July 20, 2023** – On July 20, 2023, Board of Liquor License Commissioners (BLLC) Inspectors Kenyatta Washington and Cindy Tudhope, along with members of the Baltimore City Sherriff's Office Special Operations Unit (Sheriff) conducted random, joint investigations of establishments in the capacity of Underage Task Force to determine if licensees would sell alcoholic beverages to minors. Working as minors were Sheriff Cadets Dylan Weitzman and Carmen Gough, both of whom at the time of the incident were under the age of 21.

At approximately 9:25pm, the Underage Task Force arrived at the establishment. At this time Cadet Weitzman entered the establishment and purchased a one (1) miniature bottle of Malibu rum for \$1.80 total from the store employee, later identified as Dongsoon Park. The Cadet then notified the rest of the Underage Task Force that they had made a purchase of alcohol. Moments later, the Underage Task Force entered the establishment and informed Mr. Park that he had just sold alcohol to an underage Sheriff Cadet. BLLC Inspectors then observed the establishment was not displaying their liquor license, and advised Mr. Park that he close for the evening, because he did not have the BLLC Liquor License displayed on premises and could not produce it. Mr. Park then became irate and started yelling at Sheriff deputies and inspectors. After approximately 10 minutes, Mr. Park calmed down. BLLC Inspectors issued a violation and left the establishment without further incident.

Violation of Rule 3.06(b) – License on Display and Presented Upon Request – July 20, 2023 – On July 20, 2023, Board of Liquor License Commissioners (BLLC) Inspectors Kenyatta Washington and Cindy Tudhope, along with members of the Baltimore City Sherriff's Office Special Operations Unit (Sheriff) conducted random, joint investigations of establishments in the capacity of Underage Task Force to determine if licensees would sell alcoholic beverages to minors. Working as minors were Sheriff Cadets Dylan Weitzman and Carmen Gough, both of whom at the time of the incident were under the age of 21.

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displaying their liquor license, and advised Mr. Park that he close for the evening, because he did not have the BLLC Liquor License displayed on premises and could not produce it. Mr. Park then became irate and started yelling at Sheriff deputies and inspectors. After approximately 10 minutes, Mr. Park calmed down. BLLC Inspectors issued a violation and left the establishment without further incident.

Violation of Rule 3.02 – Cooperation – July 20, 2023 – On July 20, 2023, Board of Liquor License Commissioners (BLLC) Inspectors Kenyatta Washington and Cindy Tudhope, along with members of the Baltimore City Sherriff's Office Special Operations Unit (Sheriff) conducted random, joint investigations of establishments in the capacity of Underage Task Force to determine if licensees would sell alcoholic beverages to minors. Working as minors were Sheriff Cadets Dylan Weitzman and Carmen Gough, both of whom at the time of the incident were under the age of 21.

At approximately 9:25pm, the Underage Task Force arrived at the establishment. At this time Cadet Weitzman entered the establishment and purchased a one (1) miniature bottle of Malibu rum for \$1.80 total from the store employee, later identified as Dongsoon Park. The Cadet then notified the rest of the Underage Task Force that they had made a purchase of alcohol. Moments later, the Underage Task Force entered the establishment and informed Mr. Park that he had just sold alcohol to an underage Sheriff Cadet. BLLC Inspectors then observed the establishment was not displaying their liquor license, and advised Mr. Park that he close for the evening, because he did not have the BLLC Liquor License displayed on premises and could not produce it. Mr. Park then became irate and started yelling at Sheriff deputies and inspectors. After approximately 10 minutes, Mr. Park calmed down. BLLC Inspectors issued a violation and left the establishment without further incident.

3. **Prabin Bhandari and Jessica Deardorff, GNP, LLC, T/a New Edison Lounge, 3133-35 E. Monument Street – Class "BD7" Beer, Wine & Liquor License – Violation of Rule 4.01(a) – Sales to Minors (Selling) – August 9, 2023** – On August 9, 2023, Board of Liquor License Commissioners (BLLC) Inspectors Cindy Tudhope, Regina Brown, Rosalba Jordan, and Chief Inspector John Chrissomallis, along with members of the Baltimore Police Department Vice Unit (BPD Vice) conducted random, joint investigations of establishments in the capacity of Underage Task Force to determine if licensees would sell alcoholic beverages to minors. Working as a minor in an undercover capacity was Baltimore Police Department (BPD) Cadet Damean Stewart, Jr., who at the time of the incident was under the age of 21.

At approximately 9:25pm, the Underage Task Force arrived at the establishment. At this time, Cadet Stewart entered the establishment and purchased one (1) miniature 50ml bottle of Fireball whiskey for \$1.30 total from the server, later identified as Prakash Adhikari. Cadet Stewart then notified the rest of the Underage Task Force that they had made a purchase of alcohol. Moments later, the Underage Task Force entered the establishment and informed Mr. Adhikari that that he had just sold alcohol to an underage BPD Cadet. BLLC Inspectors then issued a violation and left the establishment without further incident.

4. **Samuel Franklin Hunt and Sung Ah Park, PC One, Inc., T/a East Curley Liquor, 2921 E. Monument Street – Class "A" Beer, Wine & Liquor License – Violation of Rule 4.01(a) – Sales to Minors (Selling) – August 9, 2023** – On August 9, 2023, Board of Liquor License Commissioners (BLLC) Inspectors Regina Brown, Cindy Tudhope, Rosalba Jordan, and Chief Inspector John

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At approximately 9:20pm, the Underage Task Force arrived at the establishment. At this time, Cadet Stewart entered the establishment and purchased one (1) miniature 50ml bottle of Fireball whiskey for \$1.75 total using a departmental \$20 bill from the server, later identified as Ilsoon Chang. Cadet Stewart then exited the establishment with the whiskey and notified the rest of the Underage Task Force that they had made a purchase of alcohol. Moments later, the Underage Task Force entered the establishment and informed Mr. Chang that that he had just sold alcohol to an underage BPD Cadet. Mr. Chang was cooperative. BPD Vice then recovered the departmental \$20 and returned the change and the alcohol to the server. BLLC Inspectors then issued a violation and left the establishment without further incident.

5. **Sarah Emily Breitenbach and Sagar Ghimire, Akisha, LLC, T/a Red Door, 625-27 N. Glover Street – Class “BD7” Beer, Wine & Liquor License – Violation of Rule 4.01(a) – Sales to Minors (Selling) – August 9, 2023** – On August 9, 2023, Board of Liquor License Commissioners (BLLC) Inspectors Regina Brown, Cindy Tudhope, Rosalba Jordan, and Chief Inspector John Chrissomallis, along with members of the Baltimore Police Department Vice Unit (BPD Vice) conducted random, joint investigations of establishments in the capacity of Underage Task Force to determine if licensees would sell alcoholic beverages to minors. Working as a minor in an undercover capacity was Baltimore Police Department (BPD) Cadet Damean Stewart, Jr., who at the time of the incident was under the age of 21.

At approximately 9:40pm, the Underage Task Force arrived at the establishment. At this time, Cadet Stewart entered the establishment and purchased one (1) miniature 50ml bottle of Fireball whiskey for \$1.50 total from the server, later identified as Shiva Malla. Cadet Stewart then notified the rest of the Underage Task Force that they had made a purchase of alcohol. Moments later, the Underage Task Force entered the establishment and informed Mr. Malla that that he had just sold alcohol to an underage BPD Cadet. BLLC Inspectors then issued a violation and left the establishment without further incident.

6. **Yumea Howard, Blu Ink Corporation, T/a 2 Twelve Lounge, 2709-11 Washington Boulevard – Class “BD7” Beer, Wine & Liquor License – Violation of Rule 3.03(a) – Records (Purchases of Alcoholic Beverages) – August 4, 2023** – On August 4, 2023, Board of Liquor License Commissioners (BLLC) Inspectors Cindy Tudhope and Rosalba Jordan, along with members of the Baltimore City Social Club Task Force (SCTF) that included the Baltimore Police Department Vice Unit (BPD Vice), Baltimore City Department of Housing and Community Development (Housing) inspectors conducted a joint inspection of the establishment for a permit check.

At approximately 8:55pm, the SCTF arrived at the establishment. At this time Inspector Tudhope made contact with the bartender who stated he did not know where anything was, as it was only his second day of employment. The bartender proceeded to contact the manager, who was on her way back to the bar. SCTF then made contact with Ms. Takeria Crander, who had no form of identification on her. Ms. Takeria stated she also did not know where any permits were, as the

owner was away on vacation. After approximately 10 minutes, Ms. Takerá was able to produce a valid liquor license, but no other permits were made available to be inspected. At this time, Inspector Tudhope informed Ms. Takerá that the establishment would be receiving violations for failure to display or have permits available for inspection, having no fire permit, no health permit, no trader's license, no invoices for purchases of alcohol, and no employee records.

Inspector Tudhope also issued a written warning to the establishment reminding them that they are not authorized to have live entertainment, as equipment was being set up at the time of inspection. Ms. Takerá complied and made the live entertainment equipment be packed away. SCTF left without further incident.

Violation of Rule 3.03(c) – Records (Employees) – August 4, 2023 – On August 4, 2023, Board of Liquor License Commissioners (BLLC) Inspectors Cindy Tudhope and Rosalba Jordan, along with members of the Baltimore City Social Club Task Force (SCTF) that included the Baltimore Police Department Vice Unit (BPD Vice), Baltimore City Department of Housing and Community Development (Housing) inspectors conducted a joint inspection of the establishment for a permit check.

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Violation of Rule 3.03(d)(ii) – Records (Trader's License) – August 4, 2023 – On August 4, 2023, Board of Liquor License Commissioners (BLLC) Inspectors Cindy Tudhope and Rosalba Jordan, along with members of the Baltimore City Social Club Task Force (SCTF) that included the Baltimore Police Department Vice Unit (BPD Vice), Baltimore City Department of Housing and Community Development (Housing) inspectors conducted a joint inspection of the establishment for a permit check.

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valid liquor license, but no other permits were made available to be inspected. At this time, Inspector Tudhope informed Ms. Takerá that the establishment would be receiving violations for failure to display or have permits available for inspection, having no fire permit, no health permit, no trader's license, no invoices for purchases of alcohol, and no employee records.

Inspector Tudhope also issued a written warning to the establishment reminding them that they are not authorized to have live entertainment, as equipment was being set up at the time of inspection. Ms. Takerá complied and made the live entertainment equipment be packed away. SCTF left without further incident.

Violation of Rule 3.06(b) – Records (Liquor License on Display) – August 4, 2023 – On August 4, 2023, Board of Liquor License Commissioners (BLLC) Inspectors Cindy Tudhope and Rosalba Jordan, along with members of the Baltimore City Social Club Task Force (SCTF) that included the Baltimore Police Department Vice Unit (BPD Vice), Baltimore City Department of Housing and Community Development (Housing) inspectors conducted a joint inspection of the establishment for a permit check.

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