

BOARD OF LIQUOR LICENSE COMMISSIONERS FOR BALTIMORE CITY
DOCKET – THURSDAY, DECEMBER 5, 2024 – 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. **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 he/she has obtained “Live Entertainment” approval by the City and this Board.” on September 24, 2024 (Re: A DJ performing inside of the establishment when the Licensee does not have permission to have live entertainment on the premises). **Fine paid: \$500.**
(City Council District: 1st; State Legislative District: 46th)
2. **Marc Adams and Thomas Burke, Jr., Mussel Bar & Grille Baltimore, LLC, T/a Mussel Bar & Grille, 1390 Lancaster 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 September 28, 2024 (Re: Conducting a jazz performance inside of the establishment when the Licensee does not have permission to have live entertainment on the premises). **Fine paid: \$500.**
(City Council District: 1st; State Legislative District: 46th)

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

3. **Bhaveshkumar Patel, Mesva, Inc., T/a New Food Way, 1501 Broening Highway – Class “A” Beer & Light Wine License – Request for a hardship extension under the provisions of the Alcoholic Beverages & Cannabis Article § 12-2202.**
(City Council District: 1st; State Legislative District: 46th)
4. **Sotiri Karabelas, Secured Creditor, T/a No Trade Name, 1602-08 Thames Street – Class “BD7” Beer, Wine & Liquor License – Request for a hardship extension under the provisions of the Alcoholic Beverages & Cannabis Article § 12-2202.**
(City Council District: 10th; State Legislative District: 40th)

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

5. **Darin Mislán, Thames Street Venture, LLC, T/a Trade Name Pending, 1704 Thames Street – Class “BD7” Beer, Wine & Liquor License – Request for a transfer hardship extension under the provisions of the Alcoholic Beverages & Cannabis Article §12-1705(b).**
(City Council District: 1st; State Legislative District: 46th)

IV. Regular Items:

6. **Michael Cohn and Mark Brown, No Land Beyond, LLC, T/a No Land Beyond, 108 W. North Avenue** – Class “B” Beer, Wine & Liquor License – Application for a new Class “B” Beer, Wine and Liquor restaurant license under the provisions of Alcoholic Beverages & Cannabis 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, outdoor table service, and delivery of alcoholic beverages.
(City Council District: 12th; State Legislative District: 43A)
7. **Jacob Witmer, CBAC Borrower, LLC, T/a Horseshoe Baltimore, 1525 Russell Street, 2105 Haines Street, & 1555 Warner Street** – Class “BWL-VLF” Casino Video Lottery Facility License – Application to transfer ownership with continuation of live entertainment, outdoor table service, and off-premises catering.
(City Council District: 10th; State Legislative District: 46th)
8. **Nemika Karki Thapa, Dhana Laxmi Group, LLC, T/a Bacchus Bar & Liquor, 1220 W. North Avenue** – Class “A-7” Beer, Wine & Liquor License – Application to transfer ownership.
(City Council District: 7th; State Legislative District: 40th)

V. Violations:

9. **Nicolette P. Basiliere and Seung Cho, Portriver, Inc., T/a Outpost Tavern, 1030-32 Riverside Avenue** – Class “BD7” Beer, Wine & Liquor License – **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 21, 2024 (Re: Allowing patrons to drink alcoholic beverages outside which is an unlicensed part of the property).
(City Council District: 11th; State Legislative District: 46th)
10. **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)

11. **Raissa Batchankwe, Anonymous Ventures, LLC, T/a The Anonymous, 1225 Cathedral Street – Class "B" Beer, Wine and Liquor License – 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 August 30, 2024 (Re: Patrons smoking hookah inside establishment); **Violation of Rule 3.08(1)(a) – Sanitation and Safety** "A licensee shall operate their establishment in compliance with the sanitation, health and safety standards of the Department of Housing and Community Development" on August 30, 2024 (Re: DJ blocking the emergency exit); **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 August 30, 2024 (Re: Failing to provide a current Trader's License when requested to do so by BLLC staff).
(City Council District: 11th; State Legislative District: 40th)
12. **Franklin Guevara, Precision Ventures, LLC, T/a Republic Bar & Grill, 5603 Pulaski Highway – 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 August 27, 2024 (Re: A DJ performing inside the establishment when the establishment does not have permission to have live entertainment); **Violation of Rule 4.15 – 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 August 27, 2024 (Re: A female dancer with exposed breasts performing a lap dance when the establishment does not have an adult entertainment license).
(City Council District: 2nd; State Legislative District: 45th)
13. **Tenaye Demissie and Fikremariam Worku, Jano Ethiopian Restaurant & Lounge, LLC, T/a Jano Ethiopia, 34 S. Eutaw Street – Class "B" Beer, Wine & Liquor License – Violation of Rule 3.08(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 September 7, 2024 (Re: Unsanitary kitchen); **Violation of Rule 3.09(1) – Rest Room Facilities and Health Regulation** "Licensees, except Class A, Class A-2, and Class A-7, licensees, shall provide on the licensed premises adequate, sanitary and fully functioning restroom facilities for all patrons" on September 7, 2024 (Re: Women's restroom was unsanitary and lacking toilet paper, soap and paper towels); **Violation of Rule 4.16 – Illegal Conduct** "A licensee may not commit or allow the commission of an act, on the licensed premises, that is contrary to any federal, State or local statute, law or ordinance or that is against the public peace, safety, health, welfare, quiet, or morals" on September 7, 2024 (Re: Allowing cigarettes and hookah to be smoked in violation of the Clean Indoor Air Act).
(City Council District: 11th; State Legislative District: 40th)
14. **Chuma Chiza, MK & K, Inc., T/a Chuma's Discount Liquor & Cuisine, 5142 Park Heights Avenue – Class "BD7" Beer, Wine & Liquor License – Violation of Rule 3.08(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 September 11, 2024 (Re: Unsanitary tavern area); **Violation of Rule 3.09(1) – Rest Room Facilities and Health Regulation** "Licensees, except Class A, Class A-2, and Class A-7, licensees, shall provide on the licensed premises adequate,

sanitary and fully functioning restroom facilities for all patrons” on September 11, 2024 (Re: Restrooms were unsanitary, lacking hand soap and paper towels); **Violation of Rule 4.20(b) – Specific Requirements and Prohibited Activities by License Type** “The holder of a Class BD7 or Class D BWL license shall grant all patrons access to a fully operating tavern portion of the licensed premises, wherever that may be on the premises, whenever the packaged goods area is open and operating.” on September 11, 2024 (Re: Failing to open tavern area when packaged goods area is open); **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 September 11, 2024 (Re: failing to properly utilize the three-compartment sink); **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 September 11, 2024 (Re: Failing to provide employee records when requested to do so by BLLC staff); **Violation of Rule 4.17(2) – Storage** “A licensee may not store or keep alcoholic beverages, on the premises, unless the alcoholic beverages area at least 6 inches above the ground” on September 11, 2024 (Re: alcoholic beverages stored on the floor).

(City Council District: 6th; State Legislative District: 41st)

15. **Krystal Peoples, Chiza’s & Company, Inc., T/a Curley’s Liquors, 5200 Reisterstown Road – Class “A” Beer, Wine & Liquor License – Violation of Rule 3.03(4) – Records** “Licensees shall have applied, or have proof of application, for... a trader’s license issued by the Circuit Court of Baltimore City.” on September 16, 2024 (Re: Failing to provide a trader’s license when requested to do so by BLLC staff); **Violation of Rule 4.17(2) – Storage** “A licensee may not store or keep alcoholic beverages, on the premises, unless the alcoholic beverages area at least 6 inches above the ground” on September 16, 2024 (Re: alcoholic beverages stored on the floor); **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...” on September 16, 2024 (Re: Failing to follow-up with Inspector when he promised to do so, failing to organize the back room as instructed)

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* City Council Districts were identified via the [311 City Service Lookup Website](#)

* State Legislative Districts were identified via the [Maryland General Assembly Website](#)