

**THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE AND CANNABIS BOARD**

IN THE MATTER OF

AN ENFORCEMENT ACTION REGARDING

**Lahlou Restaurant Group, LLC
t/a Lupo Pizzeria**

Case No. 25-CMP-00064
ABCA License No. ABRA-113994
Retailer's Class CR License
Board Order No. 2026-710

BEFORE:

DONOVAN ANDERSON, *Chairperson*
SILAS GRANT, JR., *Board Member*
TERI JANINE QUINN, *Board Member*
RYAN JONES, *Board Member*
DAVID MEADOWS, *Board Member*
JAMES TURNER, *Board Member*

PARTIES:

Lahlou Restaurant Group, LLC, t/a Lupo Pizzeria, at premises 1908
14th Street, NW, Washington, DC 20009, *Respondent*

Anthony P. Celo, Assistant Attorney General
Office of the Attorney General for the District of Columbia

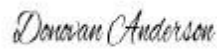
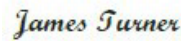
ORDER APPROVING THE OFFER-IN-COMPROMISE

The above-mentioned parties have petitioned the Alcoholic Beverage and Cannabis Board (Board) to approve an offer-in-compromise (OIC) to settle one or more violations of Title 25 of the D.C. Official Code (Title 25) and Title 23 of the D.C. Municipal Regulations (Title 23) in accordance with D.C. Official Code § 2-509(a).

The Board, on this 16th day of September 2026, **APPROVES** the OIC attached to this Order. The terms of the OIC are as follows:

1. The Respondent admits to a violation of the statutes or regulations listed in the OIC attached to this Order. The Respondent further enters into this OIC knowingly, intelligently, and voluntarily, and understands the consequences of agreeing to one or more violations of law.
2. The Respondent shall follow and abide by the terms and conditions of the attached OIC in accordance with D.C. Official Code §§ 2-509(a), 25-447(f), and 25-823(a)(6).
3. The Respondent waives all rights to notice or appearance before the Board.
4. The Respondent waives the right to a hearing, the right to call witnesses, the right to present evidence, and otherwise contest the charges as provided in Title 25 and Title 23.
5. The Respondent waives the right to judicial review or appeal of this Order. The Respondent further agrees not to collaterally attack the disposition imposed by this Order.
6. The parties agree that the attached OIC constitutes the entire agreement of the parties.
7. The Show Cause Hearing in this matter is cancelled.

ABCA shall deliver copies of this Order to the Government and the Respondent.

OFFICIAL VOTE ON THE ORDER OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE AND CANNABIS BOARD		
Board Members	Decision	Signature
DONOVAN ANDERSON, <i>Chairperson</i>	Approve	
SILAS GRANT, JR.	Approve	
TERI JANINE QUINNE	Approve	
RYAN JONES	Approve	
DAVID MEADOWS	Approve	
JAMES TURNER	Approve	
Concurrences or Dissents: N/A		

NOTICE

Any party adversely affected may file a Motion for Reconsideration of this decision or other motion permitted by law within 10 days of service of this Order. The opposing party may file a response within 7 days. If a response is filed, the movant may file a reply within 3 days. All filings should be served on all parties to the matter and delivered to the Alcoholic Beverage and Cannabis Administration, 899 North Capitol Street NE, Suite 4200-B, Washington, DC 20002, or by email to abca.legal@dc.gov. The failure to properly serve the other parties or to present all matters of record that have allegedly been erroneously decided in the initial motion for reconsideration may result in the waiver of those matters being considered. Further, multiple and repetitive motions may be summarily denied or not considered. In addition to filing a Motion for Reconsideration, pursuant to § 11 of the *District of Columbia Administrative Procedure Act*, Pub. L. 90-614, 82 Stat. 1209, D.C. Official Code § 2-510 (2001), and Rule 15 of the District of Columbia Court of Appeals, a party that is adversely affected may have the right to appeal this Order by filing a petition for review, within 30 days of the date of service of this Order, with the District of Columbia Court of Appeals, located at 430 E Street NW, Washington, DC 20001.

The timely filing of a Motion for Reconsideration stays the time for filing a petition for review in the District of Columbia Court of Appeals until the Board rules on the motion. *See* D.C. App. Rule 15(b) (2004). The Superior Court of the District of Columbia may have jurisdiction to hear appeals in non-contested cases or in matters where that court is specifically provided jurisdiction by law. Finally, advisory neighborhood commissions (ANCs) are advised that their right to appeal or challenge a decision of the Board may be limited by the laws governing ANCs. *See e.g.*, D.C. Code § 1-309.10(g).

**GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE AND CANNABIS ADMINISTRATION
ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE AND CANNABIS BOARD**



IN THE MATTER OF: LAHLOU RESTAURANT GROUP, LLC, t/a LUPO PIZZERIA Respondent.	Case No. 25–CMP–00064 License No. 113994 Retailer Class CR
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OFFER IN COMPROMISE FOR BOARD APPROVAL

The District of Columbia, jointly with the licensee (Respondent), submits this Offer in Compromise (OIC) to the Alcoholic Beverage and Cannabis Board (Board), as authorized by 23 DCMR § 1611.5, for approval by the Board.

The Parties understand that if the Board approves the OIC, this case (25–CMP–85) will conclude. Respondent will be obligated to abide by the terms of the OIC shown below. If the Board does not approve the OIC, this matter will proceed to a Show Cause Hearing.

Respondent has been advised that there is no obligation to accept an OIC. Respondent has been advised, through service of the Notice of Show Cause Hearing, that at any Show Cause Hearing or other proceeding, Respondent may be represented by legal counsel, have subpoenas issued to require the production of witnesses and evidence, produce witnesses and evidence, cross-examine witnesses, and apply to the Board for a qualified interpreter.

The OIC terms are as follows.

Charge I: Operated a Summer Garden without endorsement (first primary tier violation).

Statutory Authority: D.C. Code § 25–762(b)(2)

Fine: \$1,000 made payable within 30 days of the Board accepting the OIC, and if payment is not made in 30 days, the license will be suspended indefinitely until this fine is paid.

Charge II: No ABC Manager (first secondary tier violation within two years).

Statutory Authority: D.C. Code § 25–701

Fine: \$250 made payable within 30 days of the Board accepting the OIC, and if payment is not made in 30 days, the license will be suspended indefinitely until this fine is paid.

Dated: September 8, 2026

Respectfully submitted,

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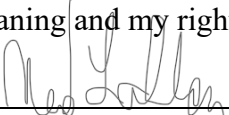
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ATTORNEYS FOR THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

CONSENT OF RESPONDENT

By this Offer in Compromise, I agree to accept and perform its terms. I acknowledge the validity of the OIC and waive further litigation including the motion of reconsideration to which I would have a right under 23 DCMR § 1719.1. I also recognize that I am waiving any right to appeal an adverse ruling of the Board that might have followed any such hearing. By this settlement, I waive all such rights. I sign this OIC without reservation, and I fully understand its meaning and my rights.

/s/  _____

Med Lahlou, Officer
Lahlou Restaurant Group, LLC t/a Lupo Pizzeria
Respondent

09/08/2026
DATE

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

On September 8, 2026, I served the foregoing Offer in Compromise for Board Approval
by email to:

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