

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
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ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE CONTROL BOARD
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MEETING

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IN THE MATTER OF: :
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FD, LLC, t/a Unity :
1936 9th Street NW :
License #109064 :
Retailer CT - ANC 1B :
Case #22-251-00021 :
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(Allowed the :
Establishment to be Used : Show Cause
for an Unlawful or : Hearing (Status)
Disorderly Purpose, :
Failed to Follow :
Security Plan, Sale to :
Minor Violation, Failed :
to Take Reasonably :
Necessary Steps to :
Ascertain Legal Drinking :
Age) :
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Wednesday
January 25, 2023

The Alcoholic Beverage Control Board
met via WebEx videoconference, Chairperson
Donovan W. Anderson presiding.

PRESENT:

- DONOVAN W. ANDERSON, Chairperson
- BOBBY CATO, JR., Member
- RAFI ALIYA CROCKETT, Member
- EDWARD S. GRANDIS, Member
- JENI HANSEN, Member
- JAMES SHORT, JR., Member

ALSO PRESENT:

- COLLIN CENCI, DC OAG
- JOSE ORELLANA, DC ABRA Staff
- SIDON YOHANNES, Licensee's Counsel

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11:06 a.m.

CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: We now move to our Show Cause Hearing Status Calendar. The first case on our status calendar is Case Number 22-251-00021, Unity, license number 109064.

Good morning, again, Mr. Orellana, can you please elevate the rights of the Government and the licensee in this case, please?

MR. ORELLANA: Access has been elevated. Collin Cenci, your access has been elevated. That is all, Chairman.

CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: Thank you. Good morning, Mr. Cenci. Can you spell and state your name for the record, please?

MR. CENCI: Good morning, Chairperson Anderson. Collin Cenci C-O-L-L-I-N C-E-N-C-I, Assistant Attorney General representing (Telephonic interference.)

CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: Good morning, sir. Ms. Yohannes, good morning, can you please spell and state your name for the record, please?

MS. YOHANNES: Sidon Yohannes S-I-D-O-N Y-O-H-A-N-N-E-S, here on behalf of the licensee.

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1 CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: Thank you and
2 it appears that you might have an unstable Wi-Fi,
3 Ms. Yohannes. Just want to let you know that
4 you're breaking up.

5 MS. YOHANNES: Can you hear me now?

6 CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: I can hear you,
7 but I'm just saying in speaking, you're breaking
8 up, just want to let you know. All right, good
9 morning, everyone. Are there any preliminary
10 matters in this case?

11 MR. CENCI: None from the Government.

12 CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: Ms. Yohannes?

13 MS. YOHANNES: No. No preliminary
14 matters for us.

15 CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: All right,
16 fine. Thanks. This matter is scheduled for a
17 Show Cause Hearing on February 8, 2023, at 10:30
18 a.m. Just want to remind the parties that if
19 this matter goes to a Show Cause Hearing, seven
20 days prior the hearing, both parties are required
21 to exchange documents and witnesses. Failure on
22 each side to disclose documents or witnesses that
23 will be relied on in the hearing, the Board is
24 empowered to prevent that party from relying on
25 documents or witnesses that have not been

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1 previously been disclosed. Any questions by
2 anyone?

3 MS. YOHANNES: No questions.

4 MR. CENCI: No questions.

5 CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: All right.

6 Thank you very much. Have a great day.

7 (Whereupon, the proceeding went off
8 the record at 11:09 a.m.)

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In the matter of: Unity

Before: DC ABRA

Date: 01-25-23

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