

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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Equity 18, LLC :  
t/a Twelve After Twelve :  
1212 18th Street NW : Show Cause  
Retailer CN - ANC 2B : Hearing (Status)  
License No. 117238 :  
Case #22-251-00025 :  
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(Interfered with an ABRA :  
Investigation, Failed :  
to File and Follow :  
Security Plan) :  
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and :  
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Case #22-251-00026 :  
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(Allowed the :  
Establishment to be Used :  
for an Unlawful or :  
Disorderly Purpose, :  
Interfered with an ABRA :  
Investigation, Failed to :  
File and Follow :  
Security Plan) :  
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Wednesday  
February 8, 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:

JOSE ORELLANA, DC ABRA Staff  
ANDREW KLINE, Applicant Counsel  
ANTHONY CELO, Assistant Attorney General

1 P-R-O-C-E-E-D-I-N-G-S

2 10:57 a.m.

3 CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: We now move to  
4 our show cause hearing status calendar. The  
5 first case on our show cause hearing status  
6 calendar is case #22-251-00025, Twelve After  
7 Twelve, license no. 117238. I'm also going to  
8 call a second case, case #22-251-00026, Twelve  
9 After Twelve, license no. 117238.

10 Mr. Orellana, can you please elevate  
11 the rights of the licensee and the Government in  
12 this case?

13 MR. ORELLANA: Access has been  
14 elevated, Anthony Celo, your access has been  
15 elevated. That is all, Chairman.

16 CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: Mr. Kline and  
17 Mr. Celo.

18 CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: Mr. Celo, are  
19 you there, sir? The Government is on my screen,  
20 but there's no.

21 MR. CELO: Mr. Chair, for some reason  
22 the option to unmute and turn on my video wasn't  
23 working for a minute there.

24 CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: Good morning,  
25 sir. Can you please identify yourself for the

1 record, please?

2 MR. CELO: This is Attorney General  
3 Anthony Celo, A-N-T-H-O-N-Y C-E-L-O, on behalf of  
4 the district.

5 CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: Hello, Mr.  
6 Celo, good morning. Mr. Kline, can you please  
7 identify yourself for the record, please?

8 MR. KLINE: Yes. Good morning, Mr.  
9 Chair, members of the Board. Andrew Kline,  
10 ANDREW, last name KLINE, attorney for the  
11 licensee.

12 CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: Good morning,  
13 Mr. Kline. The first case is case number #22-  
14 251-0025. Are there any preliminary matters in  
15 that case?

16 MR. CELO: No, Mr. Chair.

17 MR. KLINE: Mr. Chair, I concur, but  
18 I suspect that there will be before we get to  
19 hearing. We have some more talking to do, just  
20 to alert the Board, but if not, then we'll be  
21 ready to get a hearing.

22 CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: Thank you, Mr.  
23 Kline, for that representation. If this matter  
24 goes to a hearing, then this matter is scheduled  
25 for a show cause hearing on March 1, 2023 at 1:30

1 p.m. I just want to remind both parties that  
2 seven days prior to the hearing you are required  
3 to exchange your documents or witnesses that you  
4 will rely on at the hearing. Failure on the on  
5 the part of the parties to disclose documents and  
6 witnesses the Board might prevent you from  
7 relying on both documents and witnesses that have  
8 not been disclosed seven days prior to the  
9 hearing. So, that's where we are for case #22-  
10 251-00025.

11 The next case is case #22-251-00026.  
12 Are there any preliminary matters in that case?

13 MR. CELO: No, Mr. Chair.

14 MR. KLINE: Same representation, at  
15 this point we do not, but we think it's likely  
16 that we will before the hearing.

17 CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: This matter is  
18 scheduled for a show cause hearing on March 8,  
19 2023 at 10:30 a.m. Again, reminding the parties  
20 that if this matter goes to a show cause hearing,  
21 seven days prior to the hearing the parties much  
22 exchange documents and witnesses. Failure on the  
23 parties to exchange documents and witnesses, the  
24 Board might prevent that party from relying on  
25 documents and witnesses that have not been

1 disclosed seven days prior to the hearing. Any  
2 questions by either side?

3 MR. CELO: No, Mr. Chair.

4 MR. KLINE: No.

5 CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: Thank you very  
6 much. Have a great day.

7 MR. KLINE: Thank you.

8 (Whereupon, the above-entitled matter  
9 went off the record at 11:01 a.m.)

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Court Reporter

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