

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
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ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE AND CANNABIS BOARD
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MEETING

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IN THE MATTER OF:
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The McKenzie Group, LLC, :
t/a Ocean Lounge :
1220 H Street NE : Show Cause
Retailer CT - ANC 6A : Hearing (Status)
License No. 114106 :
Case #23-251-00024 :
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(Failed to Provide Video :
Footage within 48 hours, :
Failed to follow :
Settlement Agreement, :
Failed to have Security :
Cameras Operational.) :
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Thursday
April 11, 2024

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

PRESENT:

DONOVAN W. ANDERSON, Chairperson
SILAS GRANT, JR., Member
JAMES SHORT, JR., Member

ALSO PRESENT:

JOSE ORELLANA, DC ABCA Staff
PAMELA MCKENZIE, Licensee
MATTHEW BROWN, DC OAG

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

2 2:00 p.m.

3 CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: The next case
4 on our calendar is Case Number 23-251-00024,
5 Ocean Lounge, License Number 114106.

6 Good afternoon, Mr. Orellana. Can you
7 please elevate the rights of the Licensee and the
8 Government in this case?

9 MR. ORELLANA: Good afternoon. Pamela
10 McKenzie, your access has been elevated.

11 Matthew Brown, your access has been
12 elevated.

13 And that is all, Chairman.

14 CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: Thank you.

15 MS. MCKENZIE: Pamela McKenzie is
16 present.

17 CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: Do you have a
18 camera you can turn on, Ms. McKenzie?

19 MS. MCKENZIE: Yes.

20 CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: All right.
21 Thank you.

22 Mr. Brown, good afternoon. Can you
23 please identify yourself for the record? You're
24 on mute, Mr. Brown. I can't hear you. I still
25 can't hear you, Mr. Brown. Do you want to log

1 off, and then we'll have Mr. Orellana allow you
2 to enter? It's better. So go ahead.

3 MR. BROWN: Okay. Good afternoon.
4 Sorry about that. Matthew Brown on behalf of the
5 Government, M-A-T-T-H-E-W, B-R-O-W-N.

6 CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: Good afternoon
7 again, Mr. Brown.

8 Ms. McKenzie, can you please spell and
9 state your name for the record and identify who
10 your client is?

11 MS. MCKENZIE: Pamela is spelled P-A-
12 M-E-L-A, McKenzie, M-C-K-E-N-Z-I-E. I am the
13 owner of the Ocean Lounge.

14 CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: All right.
15 Thank you, ma'am.

16 Mr. Brown, are there any preliminary
17 matters in this case?

18 MR. BROWN: Not on our end, Mr.
19 Chairman.

20 CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: All right. All
21 right. Thank you.

22 This matter, then, is scheduled for a
23 show-cause hearing on May 22nd at 1:30 p.m. I
24 would like to remind both parties that if this
25 matter actually goes to a hearing, seven days

1 prior to the hearing, the parties are required to
2 exchange documents and witnessed with each other
3 and with the Agency.

4 Failure by either party to exchange
5 documents and witnesses -- unless reasonable and
6 good cause is shown, the Board is empowered to
7 prevent that side from relying on documents and
8 witnesses that have not been disclosed seven days
9 previously.

10 Any questions, Mr. Brown?

11 MR. BROWN: No, Mr. Chairman.

12 CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: Ms. McKenzie,
13 any questions, ma'am?

14 MS. MCKENZIE: I have no questions,
15 Chairman.

16 CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: All right.
17 Thank you.

18 Then I will -- if this matter is not
19 settled through an offer in compromise, I will
20 see you on May 22nd at 1:30. Have a great day.
21 Thank you very much.

22 MS. MCKENZIE: Thank you. You as well.

23 MR. BROWN: Thank you.

24 (Whereupon, the above-entitled matter
25 went off the record at 2:04 p.m.)

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