## DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

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ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE AND CANNABIS BOARD

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IN THE MATTER OF: :

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Rewind by Decades, LLC :

t/a Rewind

1219 Connecticut Ave NW : Summary Action

Retailer CN - ANC 2B : Hearing

License No. 107182 Case #24-251-00020

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(Chief of Police Closure :

April 27, 2024) :

Wednesday
May 8, 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
COLLIN CENCI, DC OAG
ALYCIA HOGENMILLER, DC OAG
ANDREW KLINE, Applicant Counsel
CAMERON MIXON, Applicant Counsel

| 1  | P-R-O-C-E-E-D-I-N-G-S                             |  |  |  |  |
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| 2  | 11:37 a.m.  |  |  |  |  |
| 3  | CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: All right. The              |  |  |  |  |
| 4  | next case on the calendar is Case Number          |  |  |  |  |
| 5  | 24-251-00020, Rewind, License Number 107182. So   |  |  |  |  |
| 6  | let's have the parties identify themselves for    |  |  |  |  |
| 7  | the record, starting with the government.         |  |  |  |  |
| 8  | MR. CENCI: Mr. Chair, Collin Cenci,               |  |  |  |  |
| 9  | C-O-L-L-I-N C-E-N-C-I, Assistant Attorney         |  |  |  |  |
| 10 | General of the Office of the Attorney General of  |  |  |  |  |
| 11 | the District of Columbia, representing the        |  |  |  |  |
| 12 | government. And I'm joined by my co-counsel,      |  |  |  |  |
| 13 | Alycia Hogenmiller.                               |  |  |  |  |
| 14 | MS. HOGENMILLER: Good morning,                    |  |  |  |  |
| 15 | Assistant Attorney General Alycia Hogenmiller, A- |  |  |  |  |
| 16 | L-Y-C-I-A H-O-G-E-N-M-I-L-L-E-R, on behalf of     |  |  |  |  |
| 17 | the government.                                   |  |  |  |  |
| 18 | CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: Good morning.               |  |  |  |  |
| 19 | Mr. Kline?  |  |  |  |  |
| 20 | MR. KLINE: Good morning, Andrew                   |  |  |  |  |
| 21 | Kline, on behalf of the Licensee. I am with the   |  |  |  |  |
| 22 | Veritas Law Firm, A-N-D-R-E-W K-L-I-N-E.          |  |  |  |  |
| 23 | CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: Mr. Mixon?                  |  |  |  |  |
| 24 | MR. MIXON: Cameron Mixon, also with               |  |  |  |  |
| 25 | the Veritas Law Firm, Counsel for the Licensee,   |  |  |  |  |

1 C-A-M-E-R-O-N M-T-X-O-N. 2 CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: And Mr. Kline, 3 can you, for the record, why is your client not here today, sir? 4 MR. KLINE: Yes, my client is Anton, 5 and the principal of the Licensee, Antonis 6 7 Karagounis, A-N-T-O-N-I-S, Karagounis, K-A-R-A-G-8 O-U-N-I-S, is unavailable today because of a 9 previously scheduled medical procedure which requires that he undergo general anaesthesia. 10 11 And that's why he's unavailable. 12 CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: All right. 13 Thank you, sir, for that representation. All right, Mr. Cenci, can you please, 14 15 if there are any preliminary matters by the 16 government? There is an offer in 17 MR. CENCI: 18 compromise to potentially resolve this matter. can summarize the terms of the offer in 19 20 compromise onto the record, as Mr. Mixon has 21 filed the offer in compromise and attached a 2.2 revised security plan with ABCA yesterday 23 evening. CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: But what I'd 2.4

also ask for you to do, sir, is just to summarize

why we're here.

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MR. CENCI: Yes. As in the previous case that was just on the record, this arises from an incident that took place on the evening of April 26th, 2024, in which a patron of the establishment was ejected.

After being ejected, the patron immediately retrieved a firearm from his waistband and fired multiple shots into the establishment, in fact going back into the establishment and firing shots. The individual struck five members of the establishment staff and one patron.

That individual was arrested and is pending trial in D.C. Superior Court, at least as of yesterday.

The Chief of Police, as a result of this incident, identified that there were security failures for the establishment and implemented her -- prior to closing the establishment for 96 hours. After which, this Board voted to impose a summary suspension.

The parties have worked to resolve this matter and address any security deficiencies, and we believe that the revised

security plan does so. And I can read those terms into the record now.

CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: Yes, sir, go ahead.

MR. CENCI: All right. Yes, for this establishment, this revised security plan shall include terms that, after 10:00 p.m. and until closing, when the Respondent is charging a cover or providing entertainment of any form, including a DJ, upon entry all patrons will be subject to search and physical examination of all bags and purses, and pat-down searches based on the responding results.

All patrons shall be subject to those search requirements upon first entry or re-entry. The establishment shall not allow any employees, patrons, or any other members of the staff to bring firearms, knives, or other deadly weapons into the establishment at any time.

The security personnel shall be equipped with portable two-way radios with ear pieces, and at least 15 radios shall be in use at any given time while the establishment is open.

Respondent will preserve all crime scenes, scenes of violent incidents. And all

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staff security will remain on scene until interviewed by MPD or ABCA and excused by them. All staff must provide accurate information during investigations by MPD and ABCA.

All security cameras will be kept in working order while the establishment is operating. The Respondent shall maintain all security footage for at least 30 days. A diagram that shows the location of all security cameras for the establishment and their field of view will be submitted to ABCA. And that was attached to the revised security plan that was already filed.

Respondent shall implement training and certification on how to screen for weapons and implement all terms of this revised security plan which, from my understanding, the establishment has already done.

And security personnel shall wear uniforms with the word staff or security for easy identification.

And if this offer in compromise is approved for reopening the establishment, we'll have a compliance walk-through conducted where Applicant and enforcement will determine that all

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provisions of the offer in compromise are being adhered to.

And I just want to note for the record that this establishment shares a street address with the establishment that was mentioned in the previous case, Decades. These two establishments are connected by a door. They share staff, they share security, they share management.

And so it is our understanding that the establishments, when operating in this nightclub fashion, as was happening on the evening of this incident, that access between the two establishments is basically relatively free. Once you are allowed past security, you can freely go from Decades to Rewind, and Rewind to Decades.

And as such, the terms of requiring security, use 15 radios, things along those lines, are to be folded in with Decades. So it's not that it will be 30 radios in use, 15 for Decades and 15 for Rewind. It's 15 across both establishments which are connected and accessible to staff and members of the public.

CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: Thank you, sir.

And so the recommendation is that if the Board

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1 was to accept this offer in compromise, that the 2 rights of the public will be protected? MR. CENCI: Yes. 3 The terms of this security plan, we believe, address the potential 4 5 imminent danger to the members of the public of the District of Columbia. And as such, the 6 7 government does recommend that the Board accept 8 this offer in compromise. 9 CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: Thank you, sir. 10 Any questions by any Board members of the 11 government? Hearing none, I therefore make 12 13 a motion that the offer, I'm sorry, I apologize. 14 Mr. Kline, the government has just read the --15 summarized the terms of the offer in compromise. 16 Is this your understanding of the offer in 17 compromise, sir? 18 Yes, it is, Mr. Chair. MR. KLINE: 19 CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: And is your 20 client aware that by accepting that offer in 21 compromise that they're giving up their right to 2.2 a hearing? 23 MR. KLINE: Yes. 2.4 CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: And does your 25 client also -- is your client also aware that by

| 1  | accepting an offer in compromise that they're     |
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| 2  | giving up their right to appeal this matter?      |
| 3  | MR. KLINE: Yes.                                   |
| 4  | CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: All right.                  |
| 5  | Thank you, sir.                                   |
| 6  | With that said, I therefore make a                |
| 7  | motion that the offer in compromise be accepted.  |
| 8  | Is there a second?                                |
| 9  | MEMBER GRANT: Mr. Grant, I second.                |
| 10 | CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: Mr. Grant has               |
| 11 | seconded the motion. We'll have a roll call       |
| 12 | vote. Mr. Short?                                  |
| 13 | MEMBER SHORT: Mr. Short, I agree.                 |
| 14 | CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: Mr. Grant?                  |
| 15 | MEMBER GRANT: Mr. Grant, I agree.                 |
| 16 | CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: Mr. Anderson,               |
| 17 | I agree. The matter passes three to nothing,      |
| 18 | 3/0. Thank you very much.                         |
| 19 | I want to thank the parties for                   |
| 20 | protecting the rights of the public by agreeing   |
| 21 | to an offer in compromise. And, Mr. Kline, I      |
| 22 | just would like you to share the comments if it's |
| 23 | the same it's my understanding it's the same      |
| 24 | owner   |
| 25 | MR. KLINE: Yes.                                   |

| 1  | CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: that you                 |
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| 2  | share my comments with the owner regarding the |
| 3  | operation of the business, sir.                |
| 4  | MR. KLINE: I certainly will so do.             |
| 5  | Thank you.                                     |
| 6  | CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: All right,               |
| 7  | thank you very much. Have a great day.         |
| 8  | (Whereupon, the above-entitled matter          |
| 9  | went off the record at 11:46 a.m.)             |
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