

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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508 K St. Rebel Taco, LLC:           :  
t/a Rebel Taco                       :  
508 K Street NW                      :  
Retailer CR - ANC 6E                : Show Cause  
License No. 119836                  : Hearing (Status)  
Case #23-CIT-00787 &               :  
Case #23-CIT-00788                 :  
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(Failed to File                      :  
Quarterly Statement)               :  
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Wednesday  
May 22, 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  
JEFF GRANGER, Licensee  
SEAN MORRIS, Licensee Counsel  
JOSE JEAN-BAPTISTE, DC OAG

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

2 10:53 a.m.

3 CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: The next case  
4 on our calendar is case number 23-CIT-00787 and  
5 case number 23-CIT-00788, Rebel Taco, license  
6 number 119836.

7 Mr. Orellana, good morning. Can you  
8 please elevate the rights of the government and  
9 the licensee in this case.

10 MR. ORELLANA: Sean Morris, your  
11 access has been elevated, and Jose Jean-Baptiste,  
12 your access has been elevated, and that appears  
13 to be all, Chairman.

14 CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: Thank you.  
15 Mr. Morris, can you turn your camera on, sir,  
16 please? Ah, good morning.

17 MR. MORRIS: Good morning.

18 CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: Good morning,  
19 Mr. Baptiste. Can you please spell and state  
20 your name for the record and identify yourself.

21 MR. JEAN-BAPTISTE: Good morning,  
22 Mr. Chairperson and the Board. My name is Jose  
23 Jean-Baptiste and it's spelled J-O-S-E J-E-A-N,  
24 hyphen, B-A-P-T-I-S-T-E, here on behalf of the  
25 District of Columbia.

1 CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: Good morning,  
2 Mr. Jean-Baptiste. Mr. Morris, can you please  
3 spell and state your name for the record?

4 MR. MORRIS: Of course. Good morning,  
5 Mr. Chairman. Sean Morris, first name S-E-A-N,  
6 last name Morris, M-O-R-R-I-S. And Mr. Chairman,  
7 I also wanted to make you aware that Jeff Granger  
8 is also on the meeting this morning on behalf of  
9 the licensee. And I just wanted to just state  
10 that for the record that he's also here in  
11 attendance.

12 CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: And I need you,  
13 Mr. Granger, please unmute yourself and please  
14 spell and state your name for the record, sir.

15 MR. GRANGER: Jeff Granger, J-E-F-F  
16 G-R-A-N-G-E-R.

17 CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: All right,  
18 thank you. Mr. Jean-Baptiste, for case  
19 number 23-CIT-00787, are there any preliminary  
20 matters?

21 MR. JEAN-BAPTISTE: Yes,  
22 Mr. Chairperson. I believe that we have reached  
23 an Offer-in-Compromise for this case and we're  
24 ready to read it on the record.

25 CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: And what is

1 that, sir?

2 MR. JEAN-BAPTISTE: So, for case  
3 number 23-CIT-00787, the establishment agrees to  
4 pay \$750 within thirty days for failure to file  
5 the required quarterly statement for the period  
6 of July 2023 to September 2023.

7 CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: All right, sir.  
8 All right, and that's the extent of the Offer-in-  
9 Compromise, sir?

10 MR. JEAN-BAPTISTE: Well, yes. And  
11 also, it was a global Offer-in-Compromise for  
12 also case number 23-CIT-00788. The establishment  
13 agrees to pay \$750 within thirty days for failing  
14 to have an ABC manager on duty.

15 CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: All right. All  
16 right, and that's the extent of -- those are all  
17 the terms?

18 MR. JEAN-BAPTISTE: Yes, and also  
19 submitting pending quarterly statements if they  
20 have not been submitted yet. That's the extent  
21 of the terms.

22 CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: All right,  
23 thank you, sir. All right, so Mr. Morris, it's  
24 my understanding that there's an Offer-in-  
25 Compromise for both cases, in case 23-CIT-00787,

1 that there is a fine of \$750, payable within  
2 thirty days, and the standard is if the fine is  
3 not paid within thirty days, the license will be  
4 suspended indefinitely until the fine has been  
5 paid; and that your client is supposed to file  
6 any outstanding quarterly statements that have  
7 not previously been filed and are outstanding.

8 Mr. Granger, can you please mute your  
9 line, sir. For case number 23-CIT-00788, and for  
10 no ABC manager on duty, that there's also a fine  
11 of \$750, payable within thirty days. If the fine  
12 is not paid within thirty days, the license will  
13 be suspended indefinitely until the fine has been  
14 paid.

15 Is this your understanding, sir, of  
16 the Offer-in-Compromise?

17 MR. MORRIS: Yes, it is, Mr. Chairman.  
18 And the licensee accepts the terms of the Offer-  
19 in-Compromise.

20 CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: And is your  
21 client aware that by accepting an Offer-in-  
22 Compromise, that he's giving up his right to a  
23 hearing?

24 MR. MORRIS: Yes, he is.

25 CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: And is your

1 client also aware that by accepting an Offer-in-  
2 Compromise, that he's giving up his right to  
3 appeal this matter?

4 MR. MORRIS: Yes, he's aware of that  
5 as well.

6 CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: All right, with  
7 that said, I make a motion that the Offer-in-  
8 Compromise be accepted for case number  
9 23-CIT-00787, \$750 fine payable in thirty days.  
10 If the fine is not paid, the licenses will be  
11 suspended indefinitely until the fine has been  
12 paid. All outstanding quarterly statements will  
13 be filed.

14 And for case number 23-CIT-00788, no  
15 ABC manager on duty, therefore, for another fine  
16 of \$750, payable within thirty days. If the fine  
17 has not been paid in thirty days, the license  
18 will be suspended indefinitely until the fine has  
19 been paid. Is there a second?

20 Mr. Short has seconded the motion.  
21 We'll have a roll call vote. Mr. Short?

22 MEMBER SHORT: Short, I agree.

23 CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: Mr. Grant.

24 MEMBER GRANT: Mr. Grant, I agree.

25 CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: And

1 Mr. Anderson, I agree. The matter passes 3-0.  
2 Thank you very much. The Agency will issue a  
3 Board Order. This Board will issue a Board Order  
4 incorporating the terms of the Offer-in-  
5 Compromise. Yes.

6 MR. GRANGER: Just wanted to go on  
7 record and say both of those fines have already  
8 been paid.

9 CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: Oh, that's even  
10 better news. Thank you, Mr. Granger, for that  
11 representation that you have made. So, we'll  
12 issue a Board Order incorporating the terms and  
13 stating that. So, thank you very much. Have a  
14 great day.

15 (Whereupon, the above-entitled matter  
16 went off the record at 11:00 a.m.)  
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