

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
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 ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE CONTROL BOARD
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 MEETING

 IN THE MATTER OF: :
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 Lama, LLC, :
 t/a 1831 Bar/Lounge :
 1831 M Street NW :
 License #116855 : Show Cause
 Retailer CT - ANC 2B : Hearing (Status)
 Case #21-CMP-00013 :
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 (Failed to Allow an ABRA :
 Investigator to Enter :
 or Inspect Without :
 Delay Failed to Comply :
 with Mayor's Orders, No :
 ABC Manager on Duty) :

Wednesday
 July 28, 2021

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:

SIMONE ANDREWS, DC ABRA Staff
 JAMES JORDAN, DC OAG
 AMJAD KHANZADA, Licensee

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

2 10:45 a.m.

3 CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: Good morning,
4 everyone, as Chairperson of the Alcoholic
5 Beverage Control Board for District of Columbia
6 and in accordance with D.C. Code Section 2576 of
7 the Open Meetings Act.

8 I am welcoming you to the regular
9 scheduled meeting of the Alcoholic Beverage
10 Control Board.

11 This meeting has been conducted
12 pursuant to guidance made available by the
13 District of Columbia's Office of Open Government
14 regarding electronic meetings held by public
15 bodies during the public emergency.

16 Pursuant to this guidance, notice of
17 today's meeting was provided 48 hours in advance
18 of the meeting on ABRA's website on the
19 District's central meeting calendar.

20 The notice included the time, date,
21 agenda, and call-in or login information for
22 public participation. This electric meeting has
23 been hosted by a WebEx account provided by the
24 District of Columbia government.

25 Please address any questions or

1 complaints to the OOG at opengovoffice@DC.gov.

2 My name is Donovan Anderson, I'm
3 Chairman of the Board. I would like to introduce
4 the other members of the ABC Board who are also
5 participating electronically pursuant to Mayor's
6 Order 2021-096.

7 Please respond when I announce your
8 name. Mr. James Short?

9 MR. SHORT: Present.

10 CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: Ms. Rafi
11 Crockett?

12 MS. CROCKETT: Present.

13 CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: Ms. Jeni
14 Hansen?

15 MS. HANSEN: Jenny Hansen, present.

16 CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: Mr. Edward
17 Grandis?

18 MR. GRANDIS: Present.

19 CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: The Board has
20 five members in attendance for the conduct of
21 business and that constitutes a quorum.

22 Before we get on the way with today's
23 hearing calendar, I need to make a few
24 instructions very clear so that the conduct of
25 these hearings is understood by everyone.

1 There are actually nine cases
2 scheduled for today. Once the case is called I
3 will take a moment for the IT specialist to
4 elevate the right for each party to enable their
5 camera and microphone.

6 Then and only then will you have the
7 ability to enable your equipment. If your case
8 has not been heard you will remain mute and your
9 camera will be disabled.

10 At the conclusion of each case, the
11 parties will have the option to leave. If the
12 party chooses to stay, all cameras and
13 microphones for the concluded case will be
14 disabled.

15 Should you have any questions or
16 require technical assistance during the hearing,
17 please submit them using the question-and-answer
18 feature or email Simone.andras2@dc.gov.

19 Our first order of business today is
20 Case Number 21 CMP, 0013 1831 bar lounge, license
21 number 116855. Ms. Andras, can you please
22 elevate the rights of the Government and the
23 licensee in this case, please?

24 MS. ANDREWS: Sure. Mr. Jordan, your
25 rights have been elevated, Mr. Khanzada, your

1 rights have been elevated. That's all, Mr.
2 Chair.

3 CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: Thank you, Ms.
4 Andras. Good morning, I would like the parties
5 to please introduce themselves for the record
6 starting with the Government.

7 MR. JORDAN: Good morning, Mr.
8 Chairperson and Members of the Board, James
9 Jordan on behalf of the Government.

10 CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: Good morning,
11 Mr. Jordan, I've seen your name many times but
12 it's the first time you're appearing in front of
13 me so welcome, sir.

14 MR. JORDAN: Thank you, Mr.
15 Chairperson.

16 CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: Mr. and Ms.
17 Khanzada, if you have a camera -- do you have a
18 camera, sir?

19 MR. KHANZADA: Yes, sir.

20 CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: If you have a
21 camera, can you turn your camera on? If you
22 don't have one, that's fine.

23 MR. KHANZADA: Good morning.

24 CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: Could you
25 please state and spell your name for the record

1 and your relationship to this establishment?

2 MR. KHANZADA: My name is Amjad
3 Khanzada and we have the business 1831 M Street
4 Bar and Lounge. I'm the owner.

5 CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: how do you
6 pronounce your last name, sir?

7 MR. KHANZADA: Khanzada.

8 CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: Good morning.
9 Good morning, Mr. Jordan, are there any
10 preliminary matters in this case?

11 MR. JORDAN: No, Mr. Chairperson, the
12 parties do not have an offer and compromise to
13 present to the Board at this time.

14 CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: This matter
15 then is scheduled for a show-cause hearing on
16 September 29th at 1:30 p.m. And at the show-
17 cause hearing, and this is especially for you,
18 Mr. Khanzada, is this your case, Mr. Jordan?

19 MR. JORDAN: Yes, Mr. Chairperson.

20 CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: The parties are
21 required to exchange documents and witnesses
22 seven days prior to the hearing so sorry if you
23 have witnesses that you're going to call up on or
24 any documents you're going to rely upon.

25 You are required to exchange that with

1 the Government and also provide a copy of these
2 documents to our legal department.

3 If you are unsure procedurally how to
4 do that you can contact our legal office and we
5 will give you some guidance on how legally you
6 can provide us the documents and also provide the
7 documents to the other side.

8 So, again, September 29th at 1:30
9 p.m., that's when we'll have our show-cause
10 hearing. Are there any other questions?

11 MR. KHANZADA: No.

12 CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: Thank you, have
13 a great day then.

14 (Whereupon, the above-entitled matter
15 went off the record at 10:53 a.m.)
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