

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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Kat, LLC, t/a Cloud :  
Restaurant & Lounge :  
Sports Bar : Show Cause  
1919 9th Street NW : Hearing  
Retailer CT - ANC 1B :  
License #93572 :  
Case #22-CMP-00095 :  
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(Increase in Occupancy :  
Without Board Approval) :  
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Wednesday  
September 13, 2023

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

PRESENT:

- DONOVAN W. ANDERSON, Chairperson
- BOBBY CATO, JR., Member
- EDWARD S. GRANDIS, Member
- JENI HANSEN, Member
- JAMES SHORT, JR., Member

ALSO PRESENT:

- JOSE ORELLANA, DC ABCA Staff

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

2 2:43 p.m.

3 CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: Good afternoon.

4 We're back on the record. We're back on the  
5 record. Good afternoon, everyone.

6 My name is Donovan Anderson. I'm  
7 Chairman of the ABC Board. Good afternoon and  
8 welcome to the afternoon session of the ABC  
9 Board.

10 We should be joined this afternoon by  
11 four other Board members. Other Board members  
12 who should be, who will participate this  
13 afternoon are Mr. James Short, Mr. Bobby Cato,  
14 Ms. Jeni Hansen, and Mr. Edward Grandis. The  
15 Board has five members in attendance for the  
16 conduct of business. And that constitutes a  
17 quorum.

18 Before we get underway with today's,  
19 this afternoon's hearing calendar, I need to take  
20 a few moments to make instructions very clear so  
21 the conduct of this hearing is understood by  
22 everyone.

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24 this, one, two, there are eight cases on this  
25 afternoon's calendar, but there is actually one

1 hearing, one actual protest hearing. But I will  
2 call the cases in order.

3 I want to apologize to the parties.  
4 Normally the afternoon hearings would start at  
5 1:30. But the Board was on recess for three  
6 weeks this summer, and today is our first day  
7 back. And we had a significant amount of  
8 administrative matters that had to be addressed  
9 this morning, so we started late this morning.  
10 And as you notice, our morning session actually  
11 was over at, almost at quarter, at 2:10.

12 And so I do apologize for us being  
13 late. I know that you were here. I, at least  
14 knowing that the hearing was supposed to start at  
15 2:00, because I did advise the parties this  
16 morning that the afternoon schedule, calendar  
17 would start at 2:00. But here we are 2:45 that  
18 we're now starting.

19 So I do apologize for us being late.  
20 But it's because we have, we had a lot of  
21 business to take care of because of the fact that  
22 the Board was in recess for the past three weeks.  
23 So, please, on behalf of myself and the Board, I  
24 apologize for our tardiness.

25 And so let's now go to the cases that

1 are on our afternoon calendar. The first case on  
2 our afternoon calendar is a show cause hearing,  
3 Case No. 22-CMP-00095, Cloud Restaurant & Lounge  
4 Sports Bar.

5 This case has been cancelled. An  
6 offer in compromise was provided to the Board.  
7 The Board approved this on our legal agenda  
8 earlier today.

9 (Whereupon, the above-entitled matter  
10 went off the record at 2:46 p.m.)  
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