## DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA <br> + + + + +

ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE CONTROL BOARD

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ROLL CALL HEARING

| IN THE MATTER OF: |  |
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| Eleana, LLC |  |
| t/a Secret Lounge |  |
| 1928 9th Street NW | Roll Call |
| Retailer CT - ANC 1B | Hearing |
| License No. 107123 |  |
| Case \#22-PRO-00118 |  |
| (License Renewal) |  |

Monday
December 19th, 2022

The Alcoholic Beverage Control Board met via WebEx videoconference, LaVerne Fletcher, Board's Agent, presiding.

PRESENT:
LAVERNE FLETCHER, ABRA Board's Agent

## ALSO PRESENT:

DEREGE DANEALE, Applicant RICHARD BIANCO, Applicant Counsel
DAN ORLASKEY, ANC 1B
P-R-O-C-E-E-D-I-N-G-S

11:09 a.m.
MS. FLETCHER: The next case on the calendar is Secret Lounge. This is case number 22-PRO-00118. Eleana, LLC 1928 9th Street, NW. License number ABRA 107123. This is a Retailer Class CT license renewal. Protest issues are adverse impact on peace, order and quiet and parking.

My name is LaVerne Fletcher conducting the Roll Call Hearing as the Board's agent.

Is anyone present on behalf of Secret Lounge?

MR. BIANCO: Good morning, Ms. Fletcher, this is Richard Bianco. My name is spelled R-I-C-H-A-R-D B-I-A-N-C-O. I'm counsel for Secret Lounge. With me is my client, Derege Daneale. I'll let him introduce himself and spell his name.

MS. FLETCHER: Thank you, Mr. Bianco. Mr. Daneale, are you there? You're on mute.

MR. DANEALE: Sorry guys. Hi, good morning, everybody. My name is Derege Daneale D-E-R-E-G-E last name is Daneale D-A-N-E-A-L-E.

MS. FLETCHER: Thank you very much.

Anyone present on behalf of ANC 1B?
MR. ORLASKEY: Yes, Commissioner Dan Orlaskey, 1B02. That's D-A-N-I-E-L O-R-L-A-S-K-E-Y.

MS. FLETCHER: Thank you, Mr.
Orlaskey, ANC 1B does have standing as a protestant. We need to set a date for a status and a protest hearing. I'll give you the date for the status and protest hearing. The date for the status hearing is March 1st, 2023 at 10:30 a.m. The protest hearing is set for March 29th at 1:30 p.m. I'll give you the next available date for mediation. The next available day is Thursday, December 12 any time between 10:00 and 1:30.

MR. ORLASKEY: Did you say December the 12th?

MS. FLETCHER: If I did, I meant to say January. I could've said December, (Laughter.) but $I$ did mean to say January $12 t h$.

MR. ORLASKEY: Okay, thank you.
MS. FLETCHER: You're welcome and that would be any time between 10:00 and 1:30, Thursday, January 12.

MR. ORLASKEY: Any time works for me.

MS. FLETCHER: Okay, thank you. (Simultaneous speaking.) Who just said any time works for me?

MR. ORLASKEY: That was me, Commissioner Orlaskey.

MR. BIANCO: And, I can do early, but I have another mediation set at 1:30 that afternoon. I can do 10:00 a.m.

MS. FLETCHER: Okay, well so, Mr. Bianco, if you want to do 10:00, we can do 10:00. What time is your other one?

MR. BIANCO: 1:30, so I can do (Simultaneous speaking.)

MS. FLETCHER: That gives us time, right?

MR. BIANCO: Yeah, so I can do 10:00 or 11:00, 12:00 might be pushing it.

MR. ORLASKEY: Let me just clarify something, so I'm not going to be the commissioner anymore after January 2nd, so there will be another person that is going to have handle these mediations. So really any time you guys want to decide on, go ahead, but you're probably going to have to talk to him to see if it works for that person. I know we're in a
really kind of a weird transitional time right now.

MS. FLETCHER: Yes.
MR. ORLASKEY: So, I don't want to put any restrictions on what times work for you since it's not going to be me anyway.

MS. FLETCHER: Exactly. Mr. Orlaskey

MR. ORLASKEY: So whatever you guys want to do is fine.

MS. FLETCHER: You're leaving us?
MR. ORLASKEY: I am. Yeah, I am.
MS. FLETCHER: Oh no.
MR. ORLASKEY: I know, you're going to miss me. I'm just kidding. (Laughter.) I'll stop in every now and then just to say hi.

MS. FLETCHER: Do you know who's replacing you?

MR. ORLASKEY: His name is Sean Houlihan. He's the 1B02, because 1B02 is now a totally different district, it's been redistricted.

MS. FLETCHER: Okay.
MR. ORLASKEY: So, it's all changed around, but he'll be handling, I believe, these
protests are that in that new 1B02.
MS. FLETCHER: Do you by any chance know how to spell Houlihan?

MR. ORLASKEY: I can take a shot at it.

MS. FLETCHER: Okay.
MR. ORLASKEY: H-O-U-L-I-H-A-N.
MS. FLETCHER: Okay, that's what I wrote.

MR. ORLASKEY: And I believe his first name is $\mathrm{S}-\mathrm{E}-\mathrm{A}-\mathrm{N}$, but I could be wrong on that one.

MS. FLETCHER: Okay. Well, so I've gone ahead and scheduled the mediation for Thursday, January 12 at 10:00. If anything changes, you can let me know and I'll let Mr. Bianco know and we'll go from there.

MR. ORLASKEY: Yeah, the e-mail address for 1B02 is going to shift over to him once he takes his oath and becomes the new commissioner, so whatever e-mails you send, he'll get.

MS. FLETCHER: Okay.
MR. ORLASKEY: But now until the end of the year or the beginning of the new year.

MS. FLETCHER: Okay. Well, thank you. Mr. Orlaskey, if I don't see you anymore, it's been nice working with you.

MR. ORLASKEY: Oh you, too. You, too. Always a pleasure.

MS. FLETCHER: Well, then the roll call hearing in this matter is concluded.
(Whereupon, the proceeding went off the record at 11:15 a.m.)

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