

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
+ + + + +
ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE AND CANNABIS BOARD
+ + + + +
ROLL CALL HEARING

-----=
IN THE MATTER OF: :
 :
Team Columbia, LLC, :
t/a TBD :
1817 Columbia Road NW : Roll Call
Retailer Class C - ANC 1C: Hearing
License #ABRA-126251 :
Case #23-PRO-00100 :
 :
(New Application) :
-----=

Tuesday
December 26, 2023

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

PRESENT:

LAVERNE FLETCHER, ABC Board's Agent

ALSO PRESENT:

DENIS JAMES, Protestant's Counsel
CAMERON MIXON, Applicant's Counsel

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

2 10:39 a.m.

3 MS. FLETCHER: We have one more case
4 on the calendar today. This is the matter of
5 Team Columbia, LLC, trading as To Be Determined,
6 Case Number 23-PRO-00100, 1817 Columbia Road
7 Northwest, license number ABRA-126251. This is a
8 Retailer Class C restaurant new application. The
9 protest issues are adverse impact on peace,
10 order, and quiet.

11 My name is LaVerne Fletcher,
12 conducting the roll call hearing as the Board's
13 agent. Is anyone present on behalf of the
14 establishment?

15 MR. MIXON: Cameron Mixon, Veritas Law
16 Firm, counsel to Team Columbia, LLC.

17 MS. FLETCHER: Thank you, Mr. Mixon.
18 Would you spell your name for the record, please?

19 MR. MIXON: C-A-M-E-R-O-N, M-I-X-O-N.

20 MS. FLETCHER: Thank you very much.
21 Is anyone present on behalf of the Kalorama
22 Citizens Association?

23 MR. JAMES: Good morning, Ms.
24 Fletcher. It's Denis James speaking.

25 MS. FLETCHER: Good morning, Mr.

1 James.

2 MR. JAMES: Sorry I'm only phoning in
3 today, I tried to do the WebEx but it wouldn't
4 connect to me. It showed me that I was in the
5 waiting room, but I couldn't get past that.

6 MS. FLETCHER: Well, I'm glad you were
7 able to dial in okay. Mr. James, would you spell
8 your name for the record, please?

9 MR. JAMES: Yes, D-E-N-I-S, J-A-M-E-S.

10 MS. FLETCHER: And so, Mr. James, I'll
11 just note that you did indicate in your protest
12 letter that you held the meeting regarding the
13 protest, and gave the applicant at least seven
14 day notice of the meeting that was held.

15 MR. JAMES: That's correct.

16 MS. FLETCHER: Thank you. The
17 Kalorama Citizens Association thus has standing
18 as a protestant. We need to set a date for
19 mediation, a status hearing, and a protest
20 hearing. And I'll give you the dates for the
21 status and protest hearing first. The status
22 hearing is set for January 24, 2024 at 10:30
23 a.m., the status hearing is set for February 14 -
24 -

25 MR. JAMES: Actually, you just gave us

1 the -- you called it the status hearing for
2 1/24/24, excuse me.

3 MS. FLETCHER: That's right. What did
4 I say next? The status hearing is 1/24/24 at
5 10:30, did I say something different than that?

6 MR. JAMES: No, but then you started
7 to say status hearing again, I beg your pardon.

8 MS. FLETCHER: Oh, I started -- oh,
9 okay. I should have said protest hearing. Thank
10 you, Mr. James. The protest hearing is set for
11 February 14, 2024 at 1:30. That's for the
12 protest hearing.

13 MR. JAMES: Thank you.

14 MS. FLETCHER: You're welcome. I will
15 give you the next available date for mediation.

16 MR. JAMES: We have both -- we've
17 exchanged drafts of a settlement agreement, and I
18 hope that we'll work through and achieve one.
19 But, of course, we'll be happy to attend
20 mediation if we haven't come to a conclusion.

21 MS. FLETCHER: Okay. Then, how about
22 scheduling mediation for Tuesday, January 9 just
23 in case? That's the next available date,
24 Tuesday, January 9 at 10:30 or 11:30.

25 MR. JAMES: This would be by WebEx, is

1 that right?

2 MS. FLETCHER: Yes. Does that work
3 for you, Mr. --

4 MR. JAMES: I can make --

5 MS. FLETCHER: Can make it? Mr.
6 James, do you have a preference for 10:30 or
7 11:30?

8 MR. JAMES: Always the later --
9 latter. 11:30 would be fine, if that's
10 acceptable to Mr. Nixon.

11 MS. FLETCHER: Mr. Nixon, would that
12 work for you?

13 MR. MIXON: Are there any later times
14 on that day?

15 MS. FLETCHER: We could do, let's see,
16 we could do 1:30 or we could move to a different
17 day.

18 MR. MIXON: Yes, that would be
19 acceptable.

20 MS. FLETCHER: That'll work? Okay.
21 Mediation is scheduled for Tuesday, January 9 at
22 1:30. And I will send you the --

23 MR. JAMES: I can make --

24 MS. FLETCHER: Did you say something,
25 Mr. James?

1 MR. JAMES: I can make it -- yeah, I
2 can make that date, that time.

3 MS. FLETCHER: Okay. Well then, I'll
4 send you the WebEx invite. If the matter is
5 resolved before then, I'll cancel it. Anybody
6 have any questions at all?

7 (No audible response.)

8 MS. FLETCHER: Okay. Well, thank you
9 --

10 MR. JAMES: I don't think so.

11 MS. FLETCHER: Well, thank you for
12 that, Mr. James. In that case, the roll call
13 hearing in this matter is concluded. And thank
14 you for coming.

15 MR. JAMES: Thank you. Happy New
16 Year.

17 MS. FLETCHER: Happy New Year.

18 MR. MIXON: Thank you.

19 MR. JAMES: Take care, now.

20 (Simultaneous speaking.)

21 MS. FLETCHER: Mr. Mixon. You, too.

22 MR. MIXON: Happy New Year.

23 MS. FLETCHER: Bye-bye. The roll call
24 hearings on the calendar are concluded for today.
25 Is there anyone present that I need to speak

1 with, though that I have not spoken with?

2 Okay. I'm signing off for the day.

3 (Whereupon, the above-entitled matter
4 went off the record at 10:45 a.m.)

5

6

7

8

9

10

11

12

13

14

15

16

17

18

19

20

21

22

23

24

25

| | | | | | |
|--|--|---|--|---|--|
| A | date 3:18 4:15,23 6:2 dates 3:20 day 3:14 5:14,17 7:2 December 1:11 Denis 1:18 2:24 Determined 2:5 dial 3:7 different 4:5 5:16 DISTRICT 1:1 drafts 4:17 | L | Kalorama 2:21 3:17 | R | quiet 2:10 |
| a.m 2:2 3:23 7:4 ABC 1:16 able 3:7 above-entitled 7:3 ABRA-126251 1:8 2:7 acceptable 5:10,19 achieve 4:18 adverse 2:9 agent 1:14,16 2:13 agreement 4:17 Alcoholic 1:2,13 ANC 1:7 Anybody 6:5 applicant 3:13 Applicant's 1:19 application 1:9 2:8 Association 2:22 3:17 attend 4:19 audible 6:7 available 4:15,23 | E | LaVerne 1:13,16 2:11 Law 2:15 let's 5:15 letter 3:12 license 1:8 2:7 LLC 1:6 2:5,16 | M | record 2:18 3:8 7:4 regarding 3:12 resolved 6:5 response 6:7 restaurant 2:8 Retailer 1:7 2:8 right 4:3 5:1 Road 1:7 2:6 roll 1:3,7 2:12 6:12,23 room 3:5 | |
| B | establishment 2:14 exchanged 4:17 excuse 4:2 | M-I-X-O-N 2:19 matter 1:5 2:4 6:4,13 7:3 mediation 3:19 4:15,20 4:22 5:21 meeting 3:12,14 met 1:13 Mixon 1:19 2:15,15,17 2:19 5:10,11,13,18 6:18,21,22 morning 2:23,25 move 5:16 | N | S | scheduled 5:21 scheduling 4:22 see 5:15 send 5:22 6:4 set 3:18,22,23 4:10 settlement 4:17 seven 3:13 showed 3:4 signing 7:2 Simultaneous 6:20 Sorry 3:2 speak 6:25 speaking 2:24 6:20 spell 2:18 3:7 spoken 7:1 standing 3:17 started 4:6,8 status 3:19,21,21,23 4:1,4,7 |
| beg 4:7 behalf 2:13,21 Beverage 1:2,13 Board 1:2,13 Board's 1:14,16 2:12 Bye-bye 6:23 | F | name 2:11,18 3:8 need 3:18 6:25 new 1:9 2:8 6:15,17,22 Northwest 2:7 note 3:11 notice 3:14 number 2:6,7 NW 1:7 | O | T | t/a 1:6 Take 6:19 TBD 1:6 Team 1:6 2:5,16 thank 2:17,20 3:16 4:9 4:13 6:8,11,13,15,18 think 6:10 time 6:2 times 5:13 today 2:4 3:3 6:24 trading 2:5 tried 3:3 Tuesday 1:11 4:22,24 5:21 |
| C | February 3:23 4:11 fine 5:9 Firm 2:16 first 3:21 Fletcher 1:14,16 2:3,11 2:17,20,24,25 3:6,10 3:16 4:3,8,14,21 5:2,5 5:11,15,20,24 6:3,8 6:11,17,21,23 | O | oh 4:8,8 okay 3:7 4:9,21 5:20 6:3 6:8 7:2 order 2:10 | U | |
| C 1:7 2:8 C-A-M-E-R-O-N 2:19 calendar 2:4 6:24 call 1:3,7 2:12 6:12,23 called 4:1 Cameron 1:19 2:15 cancel 6:5 Cannabis 1:2,13 care 6:19 case 1:8 2:3,6 4:23 6:12 Citizens 2:22 3:17 Class 1:7 2:8 Columbia 1:1,6,7 2:5,6 2:16 come 4:20 coming 6:14 concluded 6:13,24 conclusion 4:20 conducting 2:12 connect 3:4 correct 3:15 counsel 1:18,19 2:16 course 4:19 | G | P | oh 4:8,8 okay 3:7 4:9,21 5:20 6:3 6:8 7:2 order 2:10 | V | Veritas 2:15 videoconference 1:13 |
| D | give 3:20 4:15 glad 3:6 Good 2:23,25 | P-R-O-C-E-E-D-I-N-G-S 2:1 pardon 4:7 peace 2:9 phoning 3:2 please 2:18 3:8 preference 5:6 present 1:15,17 2:13,21 6:25 presiding 1:14 protest 2:9 3:11,13,19 3:21 4:9,10,12 protestant 3:18 Protestant's 1:18 | Q | W | |
| D-E-N-I-S 3:9 | H | questions 6:6 | | | |
| | happy 4:19 6:15,17,22 hearing 1:3,7 2:12 3:19 3:20,21,22,23 4:1,4,7 4:9,10,12 6:13 hearings 6:24 held 3:12,14 hope 4:18 | | | | |
| | I | | | | |
| | impact 2:9 indicate 3:11 invite 6:4 issues 2:9 | | | | |
| | J | | | | |
| | J-A-M-E-S 3:9 James 1:18 2:23,24 3:1 3:2,7,9,10,15,25 4:6 4:10,13,16,25 5:4,6,8 5:23,25 6:1,10,12,15 6:19 January 3:22 4:22,24 5:21 | | | | |
| | K | | | | |

waiting 3:5
we'll 4:18,19
we've 4:16
WebEx 1:13 3:3 4:25
6:4
welcome 4:14
went 7:4
work 4:18 5:2,12,20
wouldn't 3:3

X

Y

yeah 6:1
Year 6:16,17,22

Z

0

1

1/24/24 4:2,4
1:30 4:11 5:16,22
10:30 3:22 4:5,24 5:6
10:39 2:2
10:45 7:4
11:30 4:24 5:7,9
14 3:23 4:11
1817 1:7 2:6
1C 1:7

2

2023 1:11
2024 3:22 4:11
23-PRO-00100 1:8 2:6
24 3:22
26 1:11

3

4

5

6

7

8

9

9 4:22,24 5:21

C E R T I F I C A T E

This is to certify that the foregoing transcript

In the matter of: Team Columbia

Before: DC ABCA

Date: 12-26-23

Place: teleconference

was duly recorded and accurately transcribed under my direction; further, that said transcript is a true and accurate complete record of the proceedings.



Court Reporter

NEAL R. GROSS

COURT REPORTERS AND TRANSCRIBERS

1716 14TH ST., N.W., STE. 200

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20009-7831