

**THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE CONTROL BOARD**

In the Matter of:

Yegna Restaurant and Lounge, Inc.
t/a Asefu's Palace

Applicant for a Renewal of a
Retailer's Class CT License

at premises
1920 9th Street, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20001

Case No.: 20-PRO-00035

License No.: 112748

Order No.: 2020-337

BEFORE: Donovan Anderson, Chairperson
James Short, Member
Bobby Cato, Member
Rema Wahabzadah, Member
Rafi Crockett, Member
Jeni Hansen, Member
Edward S. Grandis, Member

ALSO PRESENT: Asefu Alemayehu, t/a Yegna, Applicant

Dan Orlasky and Evan Schlom, on behalf of A Group of Eight Individuals,
Protestant

Martha Jenkins, Esq., General Counsel
Alcoholic Beverage Regulation Administration

ORDER DENYING MOTION FOR RECONSIDERATION

In Board Order No. 2020-291, issued on September 30, 2020, the Alcoholic Beverage Control Board dismissed the Renewal Application filed by Asefu Alemayehu, t/a Yegna, (Applicant) because the Applicant failed to appear at the required Roll Call Hearing on September 28, 2020. Subsequently, the Applicant filed a motion for reinstatement and reconsideration claiming that the Applicant did not receive notice of the Roll Call Hearing. *Mot. for Recon.*, at 2. The motion was opposed by the Group of Eight.

The Board's records show that notice of the hearing was properly and timely sent using the contact information on file with the Board, and a link to the online Webex hearing was properly sent to the Applicant. For these reasons, there is no factual support for the contention made by the Applicant, and the Applicant has failed to prove good cause in accordance with 23 DCMR § 1603.4 (West Supp. 2020). The Board further reminds the Applicant that it is solely the responsibility of the license holder to ensure that accurate contact information is provided to the Board, and that the Applicant checks the provided contact locations for Board communications.

ORDER

Therefore, the Board, on this 21st day of October 2020, hereby **DENIES** the motion for reinstatement and consideration. A copy of this Order shall be provided to the parties.

District of Columbia
Alcoholic Beverage Control Board

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Pursuant to D.C. Official Code § 25-433(d)(1), any party adversely affected may file a Motion for Reconsideration of this decision within ten (10) days of service of this Order with the Alcoholic Beverage Regulation Administration, 2000 14th Street, N.W., Suite 400S, Washington, DC 20009.

Also, pursuant to section 11 of the District of Columbia Administrative Procedure Act, Pub. L. 90-614, 82 Stat. 1209, D.C. Official Code §2-510 (2001), and Rule 15 of the District of Columbia Court of Appeals, any party adversely affected has the right to appeal this Order by filing a petition for review, within thirty (30) days of the date of service of this Order, with the District of Columbia Court of Appeals, 430 E Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20001; (202/879-1010). However, the timely filing of a Motion for Reconsideration pursuant to 23 DCMR §1719.1 (2008) stays the time for filing a petition for review in the District of Columbia Court of Appeals until the Board rules on the motion. See D.C. App. Rule 15(b) (2004).