



**ALSO PRESENT:**

**WALTER ADAMS, DC OAG**

**BERNARD C. DIETZ, Licensee Counsel**

**Aster Tekle, Licensee**

**Almaz Zegaya, Licensee**

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

2 10:13 a.m.

3 CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: The next case  
4 on our calendar Show Cause Hearing (Status)  
5 Calendar is Case No. 18-AUD-00022, Asmara Lounge  
6 and Restaurant, License No. 102180.

7 Would the parties, please, approach  
8 and identify themselves for the record, please?

9 MR. DIETZ: Good morning. I'm Bernard  
10 C. Dietz representing the licensee. I have with  
11 me Ms. Aster Tekle, who is the managing member of  
12 the organization.

13 CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: Good morning,  
14 Mr. Dietz. And who else is that? There is  
15 another -- two other people.

16 MS. ZEGAYA: I'm Almaz Zegaya.

17 CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: I'm sorry,  
18 ma'am?

19 MS. ZEGAYA: Almaz Zegaya.

20 CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: And you are  
21 whom?

22 MS. ZEGAYA: The owner.

1 CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: All right.  
2 There is a sign-in sheet.

3 MS. ZEGAYA: There is two owners.

4 CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: Okay. Fine.  
5 There is a sign-in sheet, please, sign-in.

6 MS. ZEGAYA: Yes, okay.

7 MR. ADAMS: Good morning, Mr.  
8 Chairman. Walter Adams representing the District  
9 of Columbia.

10 CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: Good morning,  
11 Mr. Adams.

12 Are there any preliminary matters in  
13 this case?

14 MR. ADAMS: Mr. Chairman, can the  
15 Board provide a brief indulgence?

16 CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: Sure.

17 MR. ADAMS: The parties are ready, Mr.  
18 Chairman.

19 CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: You said -- I'm  
20 sorry?

21 MR. ADAMS: The parties are prepared,  
22 Mr. Chairman.

1 CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: All right.  
2 Then this matter then is scheduled for a Show  
3 Cause Hearing on October 31st at 11:00 a.m.

4 MR. ADAMS: Yes.

5 CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: October 31st at  
6 11:00 a.m.

7 MS. ZEGAYA: Thank you.

8 MR. ADAMS: Yes, Mr. Chairman.

9 CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: Thank you.

10 (Whereupon, the Show Cause (Status)  
11 Hearing was concluded at 10:15 a.m.)  
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Place: Washington, DC

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Court Reporter

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