## THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE CONTROL BOARD

In the Matter of:	)	
M&M Bar and Restaurant, LLC t/a Asmara Lounge and Restaurant	) Case No.: ) License No: ) Order No:	18-PRO-18-AUD-00022 102180 2018-547
Holder of a Retailer's Class CR License	)	
at premises 2218 18 <sup>th</sup> Street, N.W. Washington, D.C. 20009	) ) ) )	

**BEFORE:** Donovan Anderson, Chairperson

Nick Alberti, Member Mike Silverstein, Member James Short, Member Donald Isaac, Sr., Member Bobby Cato, Member Rema Wahabzadah, Member

ALSO PRESENT: M&M Bar and Restaurant, LLC, t/a Asmara Lounge, Respondent

Jessica Gunzel, Assistant Attorney General

Office of the Attorney General for the District of Columbia

Martha Jenkins, General Counsel

Alcoholic Beverage Regulation Administration

## ORDER ISSUING WARNING

In the matter of the M&M Bar and Restaurant, LLC, t/a Asmara Lounge and Restaurant, (Respondent), the Respondent was charged with violating D.C. Official Code § 25-113(j)(3)(A), an offense related to the Respondent's failure to maintain books and records on the licensed premises for three years. It is evident to the Alcoholic Beverage Control Board (Board) however, that the ABRA investigative report alleges that the Respondent failed to maintain his books and records as required under D.C. Official Code § 25-113(j)(3)(C).

This distinction is critical, not only because the Board is more concerned with a scenario where the books and records are not maintained at all, but also because of the limitations under

the civil penalty schedule pursuant to 23 DCMR § 800. In light of the fact that the Respondent was charged with D.C. Official Code § 25-113(j)(3)(A), the Board has no choice but to issue a mandatory warning in this matter.

## **ORDER**

Therefore, the Board, on this 26th day of September 2018, hereby issues a **WARNING** to the Respondent for the offense detailed in Case No. 18-AUD-00022. The Respondent is strongly advised to maintain its books and records in accordance with the law.

A copy of this Order shall be provided to the Respondent and to the Government.

District of Columbia Alcoholic Beverage Control Board

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Mike Silverstein, Member

James Short, Member

Donald Isaac, Sr., Member

Bobby Cato, Member

Rema Wahabzadah, Member

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, Reeves Center, 2000 14th Street, NW, 400S, Washington, D.C. 20009.

Also, pursuant to section 11 of the District of Columbia Administrative Procedure Act, Pub. L. 90-614, 82 Stat. 1209, D.C. 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. However, the timely filing of a Motion for Reconsideration pursuant to 23 DCMR § 1719.1 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).