### DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

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# ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE CONTROL BOARD

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IN THE MATTER OF:

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Black Whiskey, LLC, t/a Black Whiskey :

1410 14th Street NW : Show Cause

Retailer CT - ANC 2F : Hearing (Status)

License No. 91434 : Case #18-CMP-00199 :

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(Interfered with an : Investigation, Operating : After Hours, Violation : of Settlement Agreement) :

Wednesday, January 30, 2019

The Alcoholic Beverage Control Board met in the Alcoholic Beverage Control Hearing Room, Reeves Building, 2000 14th Street, N.W., Suite 400S, Washington, D.C. 20009, Chairperson Donovan W. Anderson, presiding.

#### PRESENT:

DONOVAN W. ANDERSON, Chairperson NICK ALBERTI, Member BOBBY CATO, JR., Member MIKE SILVERSTEIN, Member JAMES SHORT, Member

### ALSO PRESENT:

WALTER ADAMS, OAG SIDON YOHANNES, Licensee's Counsel

1	P-R-O-C-E-E-D-I-N-G-S
2	10:12 a.m.
3	CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: I guess I ran
4	ahead. I just skipped over a page, so thank you.
5	All right.
6	So the next case on our calendar is
7	Case No. 18-CMP-00199, Black Whiskey, License No.
8	91434.
9	Will the parties, please, approach and
10	identify themselves for the record, please?
11	MR. ADAMS: Good morning, Mr.
12	Chairman. Walter Adams representing the District
13	of Columbia.
14	CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: Good morning,
15	Mr. Adams.
16	MS. YOHANNES: Good morning. Sidon
17	Yohannes on behalf of the licensee.
18	CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: Good morning,
19	Ms. Yohannes.
20	Mr. Adams, I see that you are sitting
21	there, so why did you collect correct the
22	Chair by letting the Chair because the Chair

was moving forward to close the record. 1 2 MR. ADAMS: Well, actually, I do have -- there is another correction, but I'll give 3 4 that after this matter. CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: All right. All 5 So all right. 6 right. 7 MR. ADAMS: I was wondering what was 8 going on. 9 CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: Well, I just 10 skipped over a page. Anyway, are there any 11 preliminary matters in this case, Mr. Adams? 12 MR. ADAMS: There is, Mr. Chairman. 13 The parties have discussed this case prior to 14 this hearing and are able to propose an Offer in 15 Compromise for the Board's consideration. 16 In this case there are three charges 17 for -- in which we are proposing a total fine of 18 \$3,000 to be paid within a period of 30 days. 19 For Charge 1, which is interference 20 with an investigation, proposal is a fine in the 21 amount of \$1,500 to be paid within 30 days or the

establishment's license will be suspended

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indefinitely until such fine is paid.

For Charge 2, which is operating outside of the Board's approved hours, again, a fine in the amount of \$1,500 to be paid within 30 days.

And lastly for Charge 3, which is the failure to follow the settlement agreement, the District is proposing a dismissal of Charge 3.

CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: Okay. All right. Ms. Yohannes, it's my understanding that there is an Offer in Compromise. The Offer in Compromise is that for Charge 1 there is a fine of \$1,500. For Charge 2 that there is a fine of \$1,500. For charge -- that Charge 3 will be dismissed. So the total fine of \$3,000 will be payable within 30 days. If the fine is not payable in 30 days, the license will be suspended until the fine has been paid.

Is this your understanding of the Offer in Compromise?

MS. YOHANNES: Yes, it is.

CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: Is your client

1	aware that by accepting an Offer in Compromise,
2	that they are giving up their right to the
3	hearing?
4	MS. YOHANNES: Yes.
5	CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: And is your
6	client also aware that by accepting an Offer in
7	Compromise, that they are giving up their right
8	to appeal this matter?
9	MS. YOHANNES: Yes.
LO	CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: With that said,
L1	I then make the motion that the Offer in
L2	Compromise of a fine of \$1,500 for Charge 1,
L3	\$1,500 for Charge 2, that Charge 3 be dismissed,
L4	a total fine of \$3,000 will be payable in 30
L5	days. If the fine is not payable in 30 days, the
L6	license will be suspended. Is there a second?
L7	MEMBER SHORT: Second.
L8	CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: Mr. Short has
L9	seconded the motion.
20	All those in favor say aye.
21	ALL: Aye.
22	CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: Those opposed?

1	The matter passes 5-0-0.		
2	The Board will be issuing a Board		
3	Order for this matter. Thank you.		
4	(Whereupon, the Show Cause (Status)		
5	Hearing was concluded at 10:15 a.m.)		
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