

**THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA  
ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE AND CANNABIS BOARD**

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<b>In the Matter of:</b>	)	
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EMB International, LLC	)	
t/a Cafe Georgetown	)	Case No.: 24-CMP-00019
	)	License No.: ABRA-106108
Holder of a	)	Order No.: 2024-628
Retailer's Class CR License	)	
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at premises	)	
3141 N Street, NW	)	
Washington, D.C. 20007	)	

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**BEFORE:** Donovan Anderson, Chairperson  
James Short, Member  
Silas Grant, Jr., Member

**ALSO PRESENT:** EMB International, LLC, t/a Cafe Georgetown, Respondent

Christopher N. Southcott, Assistant Attorney General  
Office of the Attorney General for the District of Columbia

Martha Jenkins, General Counsel  
Alcoholic Beverage and Cannabis Administration

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**ORDER APPROVING THE OFFER-IN-COMPROMISE**

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The above-mentioned parties have petitioned the Alcoholic Beverage and Cannabis Board (Board) to approve an offer-in-compromise (OIC) to settle one or more violations of Title 25 of the D.C. Official Code (Title 25) and Title 23 of the D.C. Municipal Regulations (Title 23) in accordance with D.C. Official Code § 2-509(a).

## ORDER

Therefore, on this 11th day of September 2024, the Board **APPROVES** the OIC appended to this Order. The terms of the OIC are as follows:

1. The Respondent admits to a violation of the statutes or regulations listed in the OIC attached to this Order.
2. The Respondent shall follow and abide by the terms and conditions of the attached OIC in accordance with D.C. Official Code §§ 2-509(a), 25-447(f), and 25-823(a)(6).
3. The Respondent waives all rights to notice or appearance before the Board.
4. The Respondent waives the right to a hearing, call witnesses, present evidence, and otherwise contest the charges as provided in Title 25 and Title 23.
5. The Respondent waives the right to judicial review or appeal of this Order. The Respondent further agrees not to collaterally attack the disposition imposed by this Order.
6. The parties agree that the attached OIC constitutes the entire agreement of the parties.

The Show Cause Hearing in this matter is cancelled. The Alcoholic Beverage and Cannabis Administration (ABCA) shall deliver copies of this Order to the Government and the Respondent.

District of Columbia  
Alcoholic Beverage and Cannabis Board

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*Donovan Anderson*  
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Donovan Anderson, Chairperson

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*James Short*  
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James Short, Member



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Silas Grant, Jr., Member

Pursuant to D.C. Official Code § 25-433(d)(1) (applicable to alcohol matters) or 22-C DCMR § 9720 (applicable to medical cannabis matters), 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 and Cannabis Administration, 2000 14<sup>th</sup> Street, N.W., Suite 400S, Washington, DC 20009.

Also, pursuant to section II 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 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 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).

**GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA  
ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE AND CANNABIS ADMINISTRATION  
ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE AND CANNABIS BOARD**



IN THE MATTER OF:  EMB INTERNATIONAL, LLC., t/a CAFÉ GEORGETOWN,  Respondent.	Case No. 24–CMP–00019 License No. 106108 Retailer Class CR
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**OFFER IN COMPROMISE FOR BOARD APPROVAL**

The District of Columbia, jointly with the licensee (Respondent), submits this Offer in Compromise (OIC) to the Alcoholic Beverage and Cannabis Board (the Board), as authorized by 23 DCMR § 1604.5, for approval by the Board.

The parties understand that if the Board approves the OIC, appeal and judicial review are waived under 23 DCMR § 1611.6, scheduled hearings will be vacated, and the case will conclude. Respondent will be obligated to abide by the fine, suspension, or other OIC term shown below. If the Board does not approve the OIC, the matter will be continued to the scheduled Show Cause Hearing on a date to be determined.

Respondent has been advised that there is no obligation to accept an OIC. Respondent has been advised, through service of the Notice of Status Hearing and Show Cause Hearing, that at a Show Cause Hearing, Respondent may be represented by legal counsel, have subpoenas issued to require production of witnesses and evidence, produce witnesses and evidence, cross-examine witnesses, and apply to the Board for a qualified interpreter.

The OIC terms are as follows:

Charge I: Imported alcoholic beverages without an import permit—First primary tier violation.

Statutory Authority: D.C. Code § 25–119

Term: \$1,000 to be paid within 30 days or the license shall be suspended indefinitely until this fine is paid.

Charge II: Purchased alcoholic beverages from an off-premises retailer—First primary tier violation.

Statutory Authority: D.C. Code § 25–113(a)(5)(A)

Term: \$1,000 to be paid within 30 days or the license shall be suspended indefinitely until this fine is paid.

Dated: September 10, 2024.

Respectfully submitted,

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<sup>1</sup> Admitted to the Bar under D.C. App. R. 46-A (Emergency Examination Waiver). Practicing under the direct supervision of Kimberly M. Johnson, a member of the D.C. Bar, under D.C. App. R. 46-A(d)(2).

**CONSENT OF RESPONDENT**

By this Offer in Compromise, I agree to accept and perform its terms. I acknowledge the validity of the OIC and waive a hearing to which I would have a right under D.C. Code § 25–826. I also recognize that I am waiving any right to appeal an adverse ruling of the Board that might have followed any such hearing. By this settlement, I waive all such rights. I sign this OIC without reservation, and I fully understand its meaning and my rights.

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Respondent

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DATE

**CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

On September 10, 2024, the foregoing Offer in Compromise for Board Approval was served by electronic mail or by U.S. mail, first class postage pre-paid, to:

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t/a Café Georgetown  
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/s/ Christopher N. Southcott  
Christopher N. Southcott  
Assistant Attorney General

**Signature:** Emel Bayrak Adduci  
Emel Bayrak Adduci (Sep 10, 2024 10:16 EDT)  
**Email:** emelbayrak33@gmail.com