# THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE AND CANNABIS BOARD

In the Matter of:	)		
Capitol City Brewing Company, LLC	)		
t/a Capitol City Brewing Company	)	Case No.:	22-CMP-00080
	)	License No.:	
Holder of a	)	Order No.:	2024-411
Retailer's Class CT License	)		
	)		
at premises	)		
1100 New York Avenue, NW	)		
Washington, D.C. 20005	)		
	)		

**BEFORE:** Donovan Anderson, Chairperson

James Short, Member Silas Grant, Jr., Member

ALSO PRESENT: Capitol City Brewing Company, LLC, t/a Capitol City Brewing Company,

Respondent

Andrew S. Coughlin, Assistant Attorney General

Office of the Attorney General for the District of Columbia

Martha Jenkins, General Counsel

Alcoholic Beverage and Cannabis Administration

## ORDER APPROVING THE OFFER-IN-COMPROMISE

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 15th day of May 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, Member

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 CONTROL BOARD



IN THE MATTER OF:

Capitol City Brewing Company, LLC t/a Capitol City Brewing Company

Case No. 22-CMP-00080 License No. 016838 Retailer Class CT

Respondent.

### 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 Control Board (Board), as authorized by 23 DCMR § 1611.5, for approval by the Board.

The Parties understand that if the Board approves the OIC, this case will conclude. Respondent will be obligated to abide by the terms of the OIC shown below. If the Board does not approve the OIC, litigation of this Show Cause Hearing will continue.

Respondent has been advised that there is no obligation to accept an OIC. Respondent has been advised, through service of the Notice of Show Cause Hearing that at any Show Cause Hearing or other proceedings, respondent may: be represented by legal counsel, have subpoenas issued to require the 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.

<u>Charge I</u>: Served and sold alcoholic beverages in your establishment without an ABC manager or owner on premises in violation of D.C. Code § 25-701 and 23 DCMR § 707.1.

Statutory Authority: D.C. Code § 25-823(a)(1).

<u>Fine</u>: \$250 payable within 30 days or its license shall be suspended indefinitely until the fine is paid.

<u>Charge II</u>: Made a false or misleading statement during inspection while selling and serving alcoholic beverages on premises in violation of D.C. Code § 25-823(a)(5)(C) and 23 DCMR § 707.1.

Statutory Authority: D.C. Code § 25-823(a)(5)(C).

<u>Fine</u>: \$1,000 payable within 30 days or its license shall be suspended indefinitely until the fine is paid.

Dated: May 10, 2024.

Respectfully submitted,

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### **CONSENT OF RESPONDENT**

By this Offer in Compromise (OIC), I agree to accept and perform its terms. I acknowledge the validity of the OIC and waive further litigation including the motion of reconsideration to which I would have a right under 23 DCMR § 1719.1. 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.

Matt Benkert

Capitol City Brewing Company, LLC,

t/a Capitol City Brewing Company, Respondent

## **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

On May 10, 2024, I served the foregoing by email to:

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/s/ Andrew S. Coughlin
Andrew S. Coughlin
Assistant Attorney General