THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE CONTROL BOARD

In the Matter of:

Acostas Group Corporation t/a DC Grill Express

Holder of a Retailer's Class CR License

1917 18th Street, N.W.

Washington, D.C. 20009

License No:

099452

Case No.:

N/A

Order No:

2018-063

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:

Jose Acostas on behalf of Acostas Group Corporation, t/a DC Grill

Express, Petitioner

ORDER LIFTING CEASE AND DESIST

INTRODUCTION

On February 7, 2018, the Alcoholic Beverage Control (Board) reviewed compelling evidence that DC Grill Express and Aziz Ahmed are in violation of D.C. Official Code § 25-405 and 23 DCMR §703.1 and improperly superintending the business pursuant to D.C. Official Code § 25-823(a)(3). Both parties were ordered to cease and desist and surrender the license to ABRA for safekeeping in accordance with D.C. Official Code §§ 25-791 and 25-829. The Board held a hearing at the request of the Petitioner pursuant to D.C. Official Code § 25-829 on February 14, 2018. At the hearing, Jose Acostas, the current owner of Acostas Group Corporation, t/a DC Express attended. Based on his representations, the Board is satisfied that he retains adequate control of the business and that Mr. Ahmed has obtained an ABC Manager's license.

ORDER

Therefore, the Board, on this 14th day of February 2018, hereby **VACATES** the cease and desist imposed by Board Order No. 2018-054. ABRA may return the license to the Petitioner and the Petitioner may resume selling, service, and permitting the consumption of alcoholic beverages on its premises in accordance with its license. ABRA shall provide a copy of this Order to Mr. Acostas.

District of Columbia Alcoholic Beverage Control Board

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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, 2000 14th Street, N.W., Suite 400S, Washington, DC 20009.

Also, pursuant to section 11 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 (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; (202/879-1010). However, the timely filing of a Motion for Reconsideration pursuant to 23 DCMR §1719.1 (2008) 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).