

IN THE MATTER OF: :

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District Soul Food :  
Restaurant & Lounge, LLC, : Protest  
t/a District Soul Food & : Hearing  
Lounge : (Status)  
500 8th Street SE, :  
Retailer CR - ANC 6B :  
License No. 112072 :  
Case #19-PRO-00078 :  
 :  
(Application to Renew the:  
License) :

Wednesday,  
August 7, 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  
BOBBY CATO, JR., Member  
MIKE SILVERSTEIN, Member

**JAMES SHORT, Member**

**RAFI A. CROCKETT, Member**

## P-R-O-C-E-E-D-I-N-G-S

9:37 a.m.

CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: Good morning, everyone. I would like to welcome you to the regularly scheduled meeting of the District of Columbia Alcoholic Beverage Control Board. Please know that today's hearings will be conducted in accordance with D.C. Official Code Section 2-574 of the Open Meetings Act.

Today is August 7, 2019. I would like to introduce Members of the Board with us today.

To my far right is Ms. Rafi Crockett. To my immediate right is Mr. Bobby Cato. To my far left is Mr. Mike Silverstein and to my immediate left is Mr. James Short. My name is Donovan Anderson. I'm Chairman of the Board. We have five Members with us today. We do have a quorum.

I would like to mention two things before we get started. First of all, if you have any electronic devices, pagers or such, please, turn them off to avoid any interruption of the

1 proceeding.

2 Secondly, there is a piece of paper on  
3 each table. When you come forward as your case  
4 is called, please, take a seat at the table and,  
5 please, sign-in. This is to ensure the correct  
6 spelling of your name for the record.

7 Additionally, when you introduce  
8 yourself for the record, please, spell your name  
9 aloud for the court reporter.

10 I would note that the approximate time  
11 is 9:40 a.m.

12 Our first order of business today is  
13 a Protest Hearing (Status), Case No. 19-PRO-  
14 00078, District Soul Food & Lounge, License No.  
15 112072.

16 This case has been continued to  
17 September 18, 2019 at 9:30.

18 (Whereupon, the Protest (Status)  
19 Hearing was concluded at 9:40 a.m.)  
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This is to certify that the foregoing transcript

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Date: 08-07-19

Place: Washington, DC

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Court Reporter

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