

**THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE CONTROL BOARD**

In the Matter of:

Empire DC, LLC
t/a Empire Lounge

Holder of a
Retailer's Class CT License

at premises
1909 9th Street, NW
Washington, D.C. 20001

License No.: ABRA-110702
Order No.: 2020-037

BEFORE: Donovan Anderson, Chairperson
James Short, Member
Bobby Cato, Member
Rema Wahabzadah, Member
Rafi Crockett, Member

ORDER TO CEASE AND DESIST

The Alcoholic Beverage Control Board (Board) has determined that the Application for renewal filed by Empire DC, LLC t/a Empire Lounge (Licensee), located at 1909 9th Street, NW, Washington, D.C., a Retailer's Class CT License, was protested by the Advisory Neighborhood Commission (ANC) 1B and Tony Behzad, Property Owner.

On December 9, 2019, a Roll Call Hearing was held and the Board dismissed the Application because the Licensee failed to appear at the Roll Call Hearing. *See* Board Order No. 2019-911.

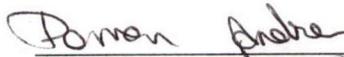
The Alcoholic Beverage Regulation Administration (ABRA) has reviewed its records and determined that the Licensee did not file a Request for Reinstatement with the Board within ten (10) days from the date of Order No. 2019-911, dated December 11, 2019. Nor did the Licensee re-file a Renewal Application pursuant to Title 23 of the District of Columbia Municipal Regulations (DCMR) § 1606.

Pursuant to D.C. Official Code § 25-829 you are therefore **ORDERED** by the Board on this 15th day of January, 2020, to **STOP selling, serving, or permitting the consumption of**

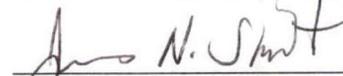
alcoholic beverages at the Licensee's establishment. The Licensee may not allow the sale, service, or permitting the consumption of alcoholic beverages on the licensed premises until the ABC License is reinstated by the Board.

A copy of this Order is being forwarded to the Metropolitan Police Department and the D.C. licensed wholesalers to ensure compliance. Failure to comply with this Order will subject the Licensee to the maximum civil penalties provided by law.

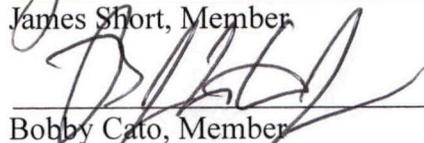
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Pursuant to D.C. Official Code § 25-433(d)(1), any party adversely affected may file a Motion for Reconsideration of this decision within ten (10) days of service of this Order with the Alcoholic Beverage Regulation Administration, 2000 14th Street, 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).