# THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE AND CANNABIS BOARD

In the Matter of:	)	
Stonerz DC, LLC	) Case No.:	24-ULC-00017
t/a Farmerz DC Cannabis Store/	) License No.:	N/A
Stonerz/Farmerz Stonerz DC	) Order No.:	2024-688
Cease and Desist	)	
at premises	)	
3236 Prospect Street, N.W.	)	
Washington, D.C. 20002	)	

**BEFORE:** Donovan Anderson, Chairperson

James Short, Member Silas Grant, Jr., Member

**PARTIES:** Nagib Fouad Khallouf, Respondent

Kawsur A. Ruma, Landlord Respondent

Alycia K. Hogenmiller, Assistant Attorney General

Office of the Attorney General for the District of Columbia

#### ORDER APPROVING OFFER-IN-COMPROMISE

Nagib Fouad Khallouf (Respondent) appeared before the Alcoholic Beverage Control Board on October 2, 2024. At the hearing, the Respondent and the Government presented an Offer-in-Compromise (OIC) to resolve the summary closure issued in Case No. 24-ULC-00017. The Board approved the OIC at the hearing.

#### **ORDER**

Therefore, on this 2nd day of October 2024, the Board **APPROVES** the OIC presented by the parties, which contains the following terms:

1. The Respondent voluntarily waives the right to present evidence, have a hearing, judicial review, or appeal of this matter;

- 2. The Respondent agrees to abide and comply with the terms of the offer-in-compromise attached to this Order; and
- 3. The Board notes that the Property Owner, Kawsur A. Ruma, is not subject to the agreement.

A copy of this Order shall be provided to the parties.

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 AND CANNABIS BOARD



IN THE MATTER OF:

STONERZ DC, LLC/FARMERZ DC CANNABIS STORE/STONERZ/FARMERZ STONERZ, DC

Respondent.

Case No. 24-ULC-00017

## 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 (Board), as authorized by 22-C DCMR § 6213, 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 summary closure 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 Summary Closure, that at any summary closure hearing or other proceedings, 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:

- (1) <u>Cease Operations</u>: Respondent shall cease operating as an unlicensed cannabis retailer selling cannabis and cannabis products or take any other actions that violate D.C. Code § 7-1671.08.
  - a. Respondent shall cancel its lease at 521 H Street, NE, Washington, DC 20002.
  - b. The District of Columbia shall have the authority to enforce this Offer in Compromise and the Board's August 14, 2024 Cease and Desist Order (Board Order No. 2024-577) in Superior Court of the District of Columbia or by any other avenue as outlined in D.C. Code § 7-1671.12a(f).
- (2) Collection of Personal Items: Respondent may schedule with Alcoholic Beverage and Cannabis Administration (ABCA) enforcement a mutually convenient time to retrieve personal items (as listed in (2)b) from 521 H Street, NE, Washington, DC 20002. Respondent shall be accompanied by a representative from ABCA and the Metropolitan Police Department (MPD).
  - a. If Respondent wishes to schedule a time to retrieve personal items, it shall contact
     ABCA enforcement within seven days of signing this Offer in Compromise.
     ABCA will not return to Respondent any items seized by ABCA or MPD.
  - b. Personal items Respondent may retrieve are pocketbooks, iPads, laptops, Khallouf's medicine, makeup containers, makeup, perfume bottles, computers, tables, desks, display cases, décor, couches, tools, cleaning supplies, wall art, tobacco products and accessories, printers, label printers, cameras, security equipment, credit card terminal, window signs, figurine boxes, and TVs.

Dated: September 27, 2024

Respectfully submitted,

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# **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 § 7-1671.08(h). 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.

Nagib Fouad Khallouf, StonerzDC

Respondent

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## **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

On September 30, 2024, the foregoing Offer in Compromise for Board Approval was

#### served to:

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Representative for Respondent (By E-Mail)

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Respondent (by E-Mail)

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