

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
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ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE CONTROL BOARD
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MEETING

IN THE MATTER OF: :
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Addis Incorporated, :
t/a King Convenience :
Store :
1535 U Street SE :
Retailer B - ANC 8A : Show Cause Hearing
License No. 89932 : (Status)
Case #19-CC-00108 :
 :
(Sale to Minor Violation, :
Failed to Take Steps :
Necessary to Ascertain :
Legal Drinking Age, :
No ABC Manager on Duty) :

Wednesday
December 11, 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
RAFI ALIYA CROCKETT, Member
JAMES SHORT, JR., Member
REMA WAHABZADAH, Member

ALSO PRESENT:

SEYOUME WOURKNEH, Respondent
JASON FACCI, OAG

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

2 10:15 a.m.

3 MR. ANDERSON: All right, our next
4 case is case number 19-CC-00108, King Convenience
5 Store, license number 89932. Will the parties
6 please approach and identify themselves for the
7 record, please?

8 MR. WOURKNEH: My name's Seyoume
9 Wourkneh.

10 MR. ANDERSON: I can't hear you, sir.

11 MR. WOURKNEH: My name is Seyoume
12 Wourkneh.

13 MR. ANDERSON: One more -- your last
14 name -- one more --

15 MR. WOURKNEH: Wourkneh, W-O-U-R-K-N-
16 E-H.

17 MR. ANDERSON: Work?

18 MR. WOURKNEH: Wourkneh.

19 MR. ANDERSON: Wourkneh?

20 MR. WOURKNEH: Yes.

21 MR. ANDERSON: Now, I am trying to
22 address everyone by name. So when I ask you to
23 repeat your name it's because I want to hear so I
24 will try to pronounce it properly. Okay? That's
25 why I keep on asking because I'm not hearing. So

1 Mr. Wourkneh, I apologize. I am sorry. Go
2 ahead.

3 MR. FACCI: Good morning, members of
4 the board. Jason Facci on behalf of the
5 District.

6 MR. ANDERSON: Good morning, Mr.
7 Facci. Are there any preliminary matters in this
8 case?

9 MR. FACCI: Yes, we do have an offer
10 in compromise.

11 MR. ANDERSON: And what is that,
12 please?

13 MR. FACCI: With respect to charge 1,
14 a \$3000 fine to be paid within 30 days or the
15 establishment's license shall be suspended
16 indefinitely until the fine is paid. And the
17 license shall be suspended for five days with all
18 five days staid for one year. With respect to
19 charge 2, a warning. And with respect to charge
20 3, a \$600 fine to be paid within 30 days or the
21 establishment's license shall be suspended
22 indefinitely until the fine is paid.

23 MR. ANDERSON: Okay. Mr. Wourkneh,
24 it's my understanding that there is an offer in
25 compromise. And the offer in compromise states

1 that there is a fine of \$3000, payable within 30
2 days. If the fine is not paid within 30 days,
3 the license will be suspended. Along with that
4 \$3000 fine, your license will be suspended for 5
5 days. However, the days will be suspended -- or,
6 will be staid for one year. What that means is
7 that if you commit another infraction within a
8 year of -- of when the board order is issued,
9 those days will kick in. Just want to let you
10 know what that means. For charge 2, there is a
11 written warning. And for charge 3 that there is
12 a fine of \$600, also payable in 30 days. Is this
13 your understanding of the offer in compromise?

14 MR. WOURKNEH: Yes, it is.

15 MR. ANDERSON: Are you aware that by
16 accepting an offer in compromise, that you're --
17 you're giving up your right to a hearing?

18 MR. WOURKNEH: Yes.

19 MR. ANDERSON: With that said, I make
20 a motion that the offer in compromise for charge
21 1, for fine of \$3000 payable in 30 days be
22 accepted. That there is also a 5-day suspension
23 and all five days will be staid for one year.
24 For charge 2, that there is a written warning.
25 And for charge 3, there is also a charge of \$600

1 payable within 30 days. If the fine is not paid
2 within 30 days the license will be suspended. Is
3 there a second?

4 MS. CROCKETT: I second.

5 MR. ANDERSON: Ms. Crockett has second
6 the motion. All those in favor, say aye.

7 (Chorus of aye.)

8 MR. ANDERSON: Those opposed?

9 (No audible response.)

10 MR. ANDERSON: The matter passes 4-0-
11 0. The board will issue a board order. And what
12 that means is that once the board order is
13 issued, that's when the 30 days starts to run.
14 So it's 30 days from the date you receive the
15 board order. Have a great day, thank you.

16 (Whereupon, the above-entitled matter
17 went off the record at 10:19 a.m.)

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