THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE CONTROL BOARD

In the Matter of:)		
Starlight, Inc.)		
t/a Kogod Liquors)		
)	Case No.:	19-CC-00011
Holder of a)	License No.:	ABRA-024868
Retailer's Class A License)	Order No.:	2019-505
)		
at premises)		
441 New Jersey Avenue, NW)		
Washington, D.C. 20001)		
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BEFORE:

Donovan Anderson, Chairperson

Mike Silverstein, Member James Short, Member Bobby Cato, Member

Rema Wahabzadah, Member

ALSO PRESENT: Starlight, Inc., t/a Kogod Liquors. Respondent

Jessica Krupke, Assistant Attorney General,

on behalf of the District of Columbia

Martha Jenkins, General Counsel

Alcoholic Beverage Regulation Administration

ORDER APPROVING THE OFFER-IN-COMPROMISE

This matter arises from a Notice of Status and Show Cause Hearing (Notice) issued by the Alcoholic Beverage Control Board (Board) in the matter of Starlight, Inc., t/a Kogod Liquors (Respondent), located at 441 New Jersey Avenue, NW, Washington, D.C. 20001.

The Alcoholic Beverage Regulation Administration (ABRA) served the Notice in Case No. 19-CC-00011 on the Respondent on May 20, 2019. ABRA Show Cause File No. 19-CC-00011. Notice of Status and Show Cause Hearing (May 15, 2019). The Notice

charges the Respondent with two (2) violations, which if proven true, would justify the imposition of a fine, as well as the suspension or revocation of the Respondent's license.

Specifically, the Notice in Case No. 19-CC-00011, charged the Respondent with the following violations:

Charge I: [On Thursday, January 24, 2019], [y]ou or another person at the

licensed establishment sold or delivered alcoholic beverages to a person under 21 years of age, in violation of D.C. Official Code §

25-781(a)(1)...

Charge II: [On Thursday, January 24, 2019], [y]ou or your agent or employee

failed to take steps reasonably necessary to ascertain whether a person to whom you sold, delivered, or served an alcoholic beverage was of legal drinking age, in violation of D.C. Official

Code § 25-783(b)...

ABRA Show Cause File No. 19-CC-00011, Notice of Status Hearing and Show Cause Hearing, 2-3 (May 15, 2019).

At the Show Cause Status Hearing held on June 26, 2019, the Respondent and the Government entered into an Offer-in-Compromise (OIC), which resolved the charges set forth above.

The terms of the OIC are as follows:

- 1. For Charge I The Respondent shall pay a \$3,000 fine for the violation alleged in Charge I and shall have its license suspended for five (5) days; with all five (5) days stayed for one (1) year.
- 2. For Charge II The Respondent shall pay a \$1,500 fine for the violation alleged in Charge II.

By agreeing to the terms of the OIC, the Respondent waives its right to a Show Cause Hearing and appeal. The OIC has been reduced to writing and is formally approved through this Order.

ORDER

Therefore, the Board, on this 26th day of June, 2019, hereby **APPROVES** the OIC proffered by the Government and the Respondent and **ORDERS** Starlight, Inc., t/a Kogod Liquors, to comply with the terms of the OIC.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the Respondent will:

- (1) Remit the total fine in the sum of \$4,500 payable on or before July 26, 2019; and
- (2) Incur a five (5) day suspension, with all five (5) days stayed for one (1) year.

Failure to remit the amount in full within the time specified will result in the suspension of the license until the amount is paid.

A copy of this Order shall be sent to the Respondent and to the Government.

District of Columbia Alcoholic Beverage Control Board

Donovan Anderson, Chairperson

Mike Silverstein, Member

James Short, Member

Bobby Cato, Member

Rema Wahabzadah, Member

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).