

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
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ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE CONTROL BOARD
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MEETING

IN THE MATTER OF: :

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Letena Ethiopian :
Restaurant, LLC, :
t/a Letena : Show Cause
3100 14th Street NW : Hearing
Retailer CR - ANC 1A : (Status)
License No. 104754 :
Case #18-CMP-00169 :
:
(Failed to have a :
Sidewalk Café Endorsement - :
Two Charges) :

Wednesday,
March 6, 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
NICK ALBERTI, Member
BOBBY CATO, JR., Member
MIKE SILVERSTEIN, Member

ALSO PRESENT:

YAMROT EZINEH, Licensee
AMY SCHMIDT, OAG

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

9:47 a.m.

CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: The next case on our calendar is Case No. 18-CMP-00169, Letena, License No. 104754.

Will the parties, please, approach and identify themselves for the record, please?

MS. SCHMIDT: Good morning. Amy Schmidt, Assistant Attorney General, on behalf of the District of Columbia.

CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: Good morning, Ms. Schmidt.

MR. EZINEH: Yamrot Ezineh.

CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: I didn't get your last name.

MR. EZINEH: Yamrot Ezineh. Ezineh, E-Z-I-N-E-Z.

CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: Good morning, ma'am.

MR. EZINEH: Good morning.

CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: There is a sign-in sheet. Can you, please, sign-in, too?

1 And what's your relationship to this
2 establishment, ma'am?

3 MR. EZINEH: Owner.

4 CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: Okay. All
5 right. Thank you.

6 All right. Ms. Schmidt, are there any
7 preliminary matters in this case?

8 MS. SCHMIDT: No, there are not.

9 CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: All right.
10 Then this matter then is scheduled for a Show
11 Cause Hearing on April 3rd at 11:00 a.m.

12 Yes, this matter is scheduled for a
13 Show Cause Hearing on April the 3rd at 11:00 a.m.

14 MS. SCHMIDT: Thank you.

15 CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: And what this
16 means, ma'am, on April 3rd you can come here. If
17 you have any documents, if you have any witnesses
18 to defend your position, you do that.

19 What I'm also asking from both sides
20 seven days before April 3rd, you are supposed to
21 exchange your documents and witnesses with each
22 side. So therefore, whatever documents you are

1 going to rely on or whatever witnesses you are
2 going to rely on, you need to exchange that with
3 the Government and the Government needs to
4 exchange, provide that to you and a copy be
5 provided to the Agency.

6 If you do not understand what the
7 process is, please, reach out to the Agency, our
8 attorney, they will walk you through the process
9 and let you know what it is that you are supposed
10 to do. You don't need to be an attorney to do
11 this matter, but there are certain procedures
12 that I expect to be followed. And if you don't
13 understand how to do it, please, reach out to the
14 Agency and they will let you know the process
15 that needs to be followed.

16 MR. EZINEH: Okay.

17 CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: Okay. Thank
18 you. All right. So April 3rd at 11:00 a.m.

19 (Whereupon, the Show Cause (Status)
20 Hearing was concluded at 9:49 a.m.)
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