

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

In the Matter of:)
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Hope Lounge, LLC)
t/a Medusa Lounge)
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Applicant for a Renewal of a)
Retailer's Class CT License)
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at premises)
2632 Georgia Avenue, NW, Unit #2)
Washington, D.C. 20001)
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Case No.: 20-PRO-00014
License No.: ABRA-106785
Order No.: 2020-278

Hope Lounge, LLC, t/a Medusa Lounge, Applicant

George Nehmetallah, on behalf of A Group of Five or More Individuals, Protestant

BEFORE: Donovan Anderson, Chairperson
James Short, Member
Bobby Cato, Member
Rema Wahabzadah, Member
Rafi Aliya Crockett, Member
Jeni Hansen, Member
Edward S. Grandis, Member

ORDER ON SECOND DISMISSAL OF RENEWAL APPLICATION

On September 24, 2019, Hope Lounge, LLC, t/a Medusa Lounge (Applicant), filed its initial Application for renewal of its Retailer's Class CT License, which was protested by a Group of Five Individuals. See ABRA Licensing File No. ABRA-106785; ABRA Protest File No. 19-PRO-00124.

On December 2, 2019, the Alcoholic Beverage Control Board (Board) dismissed the initial Application because the Applicant failed to appear at the Roll Call Hearing. See Board Order No. 2019-893.

On January 17, 2020, the Applicant filed a second Application for renewal of its Retailer's Class CT License, which was protested, and came before Board for a Roll Call Hearing on September 14, 2020.

On September 14, 2020, the Board, once again, dismissed the second Application because the Applicant failed to appear at the Roll Call Hearing. The Applicant may file a Request for Reinstatement of its Application with the Board within ten (10) days from the date of this Order, demonstrating good cause why he continues to fail to appear at the Roll Call Hearings.

The Applicant is on notice that pursuant 23 DCMR § 1606.5, if its re-filed second renewal application is dismissed for failure to appear at a hearing and it is not reinstated by the Board for good cause, the license renewal application shall be denied.

ORDER

The Board does hereby, this 16th day of September, 2020, **DISMISS** the second Renewal Application. Copies of this Order shall be sent to the Applicant and George Nehmetallah, on behalf of the Group of Five or More Individuals.

District of Columbia
Alcoholic Beverage Control Board

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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).