

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

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**In the Matter of:** )  
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Queen of Sheba, Inc. )  
t/a Queen of Sheba )  
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Holder of a )  
Retailer's Class CR License )  
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at premises )  
1503 9th Street, NW )  
Washington, D.C. 20001 )

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Case No.: 18-CMP-00202  
License No.: ABRA-073644  
Order No.: 2019-105

**BEFORE:** Donovan Anderson, Chairperson  
Nick Alberti, Member  
Mike Silverstein, Member  
James Short, Member  
Bobby Cato, Member  
Rema Wahabzadah, Member

**ALSO PRESENT:** Queen of Sheba, Inc., t/a Queen of Sheba (Respondent)  
  
Bernard C. Dietz, Counsel, on behalf of the Respondent  
  
Rebecca Barnes, Assistant Attorney General,  
on behalf of the District of Columbia  
  
Martha Jenkins, General Counsel  
Alcoholic Beverage Regulation Administration

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**ORDER APPROVING THE OFFER-IN-COMPROMISE**

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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 Queen of Sheba, Inc., t/a Queen of Sheba (Respondent) located at 1503 9th Street, NW, Washington, D.C. 20001.

The Alcoholic Beverage Regulation Administration (ABRA) served the Notice in Case No. 18-CMP-00202 on the Respondent on December 8, 2018. *ABRA Show Cause File No. 18-CMP-00202*. 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. 18-CMP-00202 charged the Respondent with the following violations:

Charge I: [On Sunday, August 5, 2018], you sold alcoholic beverages and continued operating beyond your licensed hours of sale, in violation of D.C. Official Code §§ 25-723, 25-762(13), and 823(a)(7)...

Charge II: [On Sunday, August 5, 2018], you failed to allow ABRA to investigate without delay the licensed premises or otherwise interfered with an investigation, in violation of D.C. Official Code § 25-823(a)(5)...

*ABRA Show Cause File No. 18-CMP-00202*, Notice of Status Hearing and Show Cause Hearing, 2-3 (December 5, 2018).

At the Show Cause Hearing held on February 27, 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 \$1,500 fine for the violation alleged in Charge I.
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 hereby waives its right to a Show Cause Hearing and appeal.

## **ORDER**

Therefore, the Board, on this 27th day of February, 2019, hereby **APPROVES** the OIC proffered by the Government and the Respondent.

**IT IS ORDERED** that the Respondent will:

- (1) Remit the fine in the total sum of \$3,000 in Case No. 18-CMP-00202 payable on or before April 29, 2019. 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.

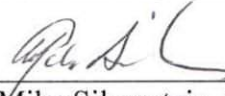
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Pursuant to D.C. Official Code § 25-433(d)(1), any party adversely affected may file a Motion for Reconsideration of this decision within ten (10) days of service of this Order with the Alcoholic Beverage Regulation Administration, 2000 14<sup>th</sup> 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).