## DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

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## ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE CONTROL BOARD

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IN THE MATTER OF:

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Rito Loco, LLC, t/a Rito Loco-El Techo

606 Florida Avenue NW : Protest

Retailer CR - ANC 6E : Hearing (Status)

License No. 104119 : Case #19-PRO-00083 :

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(Application to Renew : the License) :

Wednesday, September 18, 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 BOBBY CATO, JR., Member

JAMES SHORT, Member

RAFI CROCKETT, Member

ALSO PRESENT:

ANDREW KLINE, APPLICANT COUNSEL

LOUIE HANKINS, APPLICANT

JEREMY STEED, PROTESTANT

ANITA NORMAN, PROTESTANT

1	P-R-O-C-E-E-D-I-N-G-S
2	9:43 a.m.
3	CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: The next matter
4	is Case No. 19-PRO-000083, Rito Loco-El Techo,
5	License No. 104119.
6	Will the parties, please, approach and
7	identify themselves for the record, please? We
8	will start with the licensee.
9	MR. KLINE: Andrew Kline on behalf of
10	the applicant.
11	CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: Good morning,
12	Mr. Kline.
13	MR. KLINE: Good morning.
14	MR. HANKINS: Louie Hankins, business
15	owner.
16	CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: I didn't get
17	your last name, sir.
18	MR. HANKINS: Hankins.
19	CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: Good morning,
20	Mr. Akers?
21	MR. HANKINS: Hankins.
22	MR. KLINE: Hankins.

1	CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: Hankins. Good
2	morning, Mr. Hankins.
3	MR. KLINE: H-A-N-K-I-N-S.
4	CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: Good morning.
5	MR. STEED: Jeremy Steed on behalf of
6	the protestants.
7	CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: Good morning,
8	Mr. Steed.
9	MS. NORMAN: Anita Norman on behalf of
10	protestants.
11	CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: Good morning,
12	Ms. Norman.
13	Are there any preliminary matters that
14	the parties need to bring to the Board's
15	attention?
16	MR. KLINE: The only one that I'm
17	aware of is we have not yet had mediation in this
18	case and we need to schedule a mediation.
19	CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: All right. We
20	will make sure that the Board's Agent schedules
21	that as soon as possible.
22	All right. This matter is scheduled

for a Protest Hearing on October 30th at 4:30 p.m.

And I'm hoping that -- currently we

have two hearings scheduled for October 30th at

4:30, so if the parties are going to do any type

of settlement agreement, which I always support

6 settlement agreements, please, let us know in

time, because it's impossible for us to have two

Protest Hearings at 4:30 on October 30th.

So one -- if it's not settled, one will be changed. I'm not sure yet. All right.

Any other preliminary matter that needs to be discussed?

MR. KLINE: I'm not aware of any.

CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: All right. Now that we have scheduled this matter for a Protest Hearing, there are a few things that I would like to instruct you about, so that the Protest Hearing is focused and addresses only those issues that are being protested.

You either have already received or will soon be receiving an email from Imani
Moreland that contains a copy of the Protest

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Information Form (PIF) and a copy of the Exhibit Form.

Both parties are required to complete and submit the Protest Information Form (PIF) and the Exhibit Form at least seven days before the date of the hearing.

If we do not receive a copy of your forms seven days before the hearing, your application or your protest may be subject to dismissal.

These documents not only need to be submitted to ABRA, but to the opposing party as well.

Please note that these documents greatly assist the Board in narrowing the protest issues, facilitating the process and keeping the parties on point during the hearing.

Each side will have 90 minutes to present their case. This includes all direct and cross-examination of witnesses.

The Board does not intend to hear testimony on matters that are not relevant to

1	these issues that are being protested nor will
2	the Board tolerate repetitive testimony.
3	Are there any questions?
4	We thank you greatly for your
5	cooperation. If you have any questions at any
6	time leading up to the hearing, please do not
7	hesitate to contact Assistant General Counsel
8	April Randall at (202) 442-4353.
9	Thank you very much for being here
10	this morning.
11	MR. KLINE: Thank you.
12	MR. HANKINS: Thank you.
13	CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: You're welcome.
14	(Whereupon, the Protest (Status)
15	Hearing was concluded at 9:46 a.m.)
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