## THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE CONTROL BOARD

In the Matter of:

LEI AG Embassy Row, LLC, t/a

The Embassy Row Hotel

Hölder of a

Retailer's Class CH License

2015 Massachusetts Avenue, N.W.

Washington, D.C. 20036

Case No.: 18-CMP-00082

License No.: 093645 Order No:

2018-500

**BEFORE:** 

Donovan Anderson, Chairperson

Nick Alberti, Member Mike Silverstein, Member James Short, Member Donald Isaac, Sr., Member Bobby Cato, Member

Rema Wahabzadah, Member

ALSO PRESENT:

LEI AG Embassy Row, LLC, t/a The Embassy Row Hotel, Respondent

Michael Fonseca, Counsel, on behalf of the Respondent

Fernando Rivero, Assistant Attorney General

Office of the Attorney General for the District of Columbia

Martha Jenkins, General Counsel

Alcoholic Beverage Regulation Administration

## ORDER APPROVING THE OFFER-IN-COMPROMISE

This matter arises from the allegations and charges filed by the Office of the Attorney General for the District of Columbia contained in the Notice of Status Hearing and Show Cause for Case Number 18-CMP-00082. The Notice charges LEI AG Embassy Row, LLC, t/a The Embassy Row Hotel, (Respondent) with failing to have a licensed manager present in violation of D.C. Official Code § 25-701 and 23 DCMR § 707.1. The Government and the Respondent appeared before the Alcoholic Beverage Control Board on August 15, 2018, and requested the approval of an offer-in-compromise (OIC), which the Board approved.

## ORDER

Therefore, on this 15th day of August 2018, the Board hereby **APPROVES** the OIC. Per the OIC, the Respondent agrees and is subject to the following:

- 1. The Respondent understands the charges filed against it and knowingly and voluntarily enters this plea. The Respondent further agrees, except for any charges that have been dismissed, that it committed the charges described by the Office of the Attorney General in the notice identified above.
- 2. The designated representative appearing at the hearing is authorized to enter this plea.
- 3. The Respondent waives the right for appeal and judicial review of this Order.
- 4. The Respondent shall pay a fine of \$2,000 for the offense described by Charge I.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the Respondent must pay all fines imposed by the Board within thirty (30) days from the date of this Order, or its license shall be immediately suspended until all amounts owed are paid.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, in accordance with 23 DCMR § 800.1, the violations found by the Board in this Order shall be deemed one secondary tier violation.

The Board further **ADVISES** the Respondent that its violation history shows that the present violation is the Respondent's sixth secondary tier violation and fourth violation of the licensed manager rule since 2015. In light of this history, it would behoove the Respondent to take steps to ensure that this violation does not occur again or it may face more severe enforcement actions in the future.

The ABRA shall deliver copies of this Order to the Government and the Respondent.

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, Reeves Center, 2000 14th Street, NW, 400S, Washington, D.C. 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 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).