# THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE CONTROL BOARD

| In the Matter of:                             | _) |              |              |
|-----------------------------------------------|----|--------------|--------------|
| Partners At 723 8th St SE, LLC                | )  |              |              |
| t/a The Ugly Mug Dining Saloon/Valor Brew Pub | )  | Case No:     | 21-CIT-00139 |
| Holder of a                                   | )  | License No.: |              |
| Retailer's Class CR License                   | )  | Order No.:   | 2022-681     |
|                                               | )  |              |              |
| at premises                                   | )  |              |              |
| 723 8th Street, SE                            | )  |              |              |
| Washington, D.C. 20003                        | )  |              |              |
|                                               | _) |              |              |

**BEFORE:** Donovan Anderson, Chairperson

James Short, Member Bobby Cato, Member

Rafi Aliya Crockett, Member

Jeni Hansen, Member

Edward S. Grandis, Member

ALSO PRESENT: Partners At 723 8th St SE, LLC, t/a The Ugly Mug Dining Saloon/Valor

Brew Pub, Respondent

Andrew S. Coughlin, 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

The above-mentioned parties have petitioned the Alcoholic Beverage Control Board (Board) to approve an offer-in-compromise (OIC) to settle one or more violations of Title 25 of the D.C. Official Code (Title 25) and Title 23 of the D.C. Municipal Regulations (Title 23) in accordance with D.C. Official Code § 2-509(a).

#### **ORDER**

Therefore, on this 5th day of October 2022, the Board **APPROVES** the OIC appended to this Order. The terms of the OIC are as follows:

- 1. The Respondent admits to a violation of the statutes or regulations listed in the OIC attached to this Order.
- 2. The Respondent shall follow and abide by the terms and conditions of the attached OIC in accordance with D.C. Official Code §§ 2-509(a), 25-447(f), and 25-823(a)(6).
- 3. The Respondent waives all rights to notice or appearance before the Board.
- 4. The Respondent waives the right to a hearing, call witnesses, present evidence, and otherwise contest the charges as provided in Title 25 and Title 23.
- 5. The Respondent waives the right to judicial review or appeal of this Order. The Respondent further agrees not to collaterally attack the disposition imposed by this Order.
- 6. The parties agree that the attached OIC constitutes the entire agreement of the parties.

The Show Cause Hearing in this matter is cancelled. ABRA shall deliver copies of this Order to the Government and the Respondent.

District of Columbia Alcoholic Beverage Control Board

Edward S. Grandis, Member

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Pursuant to D.C. Official Code§ 25-433(d)(l), 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 II 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 thi1ty (30) days of the date of service of this Order, with the District of Columbia Coult 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).

## GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE REGULATION ADMINISTRATION ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE CONTROL BOARD



IN THE MATTER OF:

Partners at 723 8<sup>th</sup> St. SE, LLC t/a THE UGLY MUG DINING SALOON /VALOR BREW PUB, Case No. 21-CIT-00139 License No. 71793 Retailer Class CR

Respondent.

### OFFER IN COMPROMISE FOR BOARD APPROVAL

The District of Columbia, jointly with the licensee (respondent) submits this Offer in Compromise (OIC) to the Alcoholic Beverage Control Board (Board), as authorized by 23 DCMR § 1611.5, for approval by the Board.

The Parties understand that if the Board approves the OIC, appeal and judicial review are waived under 23 DCMR § 1611.6, the scheduled Show Cause Hearing will be vacated and this case will conclude. Respondent will be obligated to abide by the terms of the OIC shown below. If the Board does not approve the OIC, the matter will be continued to the scheduled Show Cause Hearing, currently set for September 14, 2022.

The respondent has been advised that there is no obligation to accept the OIC. Respondent has been advised, through service of the Notices of Status Hearing and Show Cause Hearing that at a Show Cause Hearing, respondent may: be represented by legal counsel, have subpoenas issued to require the production of witnesses and evidence, produce witnesses and evidence, cross-examine witnesses, and apply to the Board for a qualified interpreter.

The OIC terms are as follows.

<u>Charge I</u>: No Owner or ABC Manager was on duty in the establishment while alcoholic beverages were being sold during the licensed operating hours.

Statutory Authority: D.C. Code § 25-701.

<u>Fine</u>: \$250 within one hundred twenty (120) days or the establishment's license shall be suspended indefinitely until this fine is paid.

Dated: September 8, 2022.

Respectfully submitted,

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#### **CONSENT OF RESPONDENT**

By this Offer in Compromise, I agree to accept and perform its terms. I acknowledge the validity of the OIC and waive a hearing to which I would have a right under D.C. Code § 25-826. I also recognize that I am waiving any right to appeal an adverse ruling of the Board that might

have followed any such hearing. By this settlement, I waive all such rights. I sign this OIC without reservation and I fully understand its meaning and my rights.

Gayro ablonski, Managing Member Partners at 723 8th St. SE, LLC t/a

The Ugly Mug Saloon/ Valor Brew Pub

723 8th Street, S.E.

Washington, D.C. 20003

9-26-22

DATE

# **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I certify that on September 8, 2022, the foregoing Offer in Compromise for Board Approval was served by electronic mail to:

Gaynor Joblonski, Managing Member Partners at 723 8<sup>th</sup> St. SE, LLC t/a The Ugly Mug Saloon/ Valor Brew Pub 723 8th Street, S.E. Washington, D.C. 20003 gaynorj@districtrg.com Respondent

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