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Jason Ruth
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Dear Mr. Ruth,

I am reaching out regarding concerns about the status of mixed beverage private bar permits. First and foremost, the ABC Commission is here to assist and serve as a resource for ABC permit holders. We want you to be successful in your business. We also know how difficult this past year has been for you and fellow bar owners, and we do not intend to add any obstacles at the time you and fellow bar owners are ready to re-open for business with active ABC permits.

The cancellation of unpaid mixed beverage private bar permits is part of the standard process required by state law and that the ABC Commission follows each year. While these permits show "cancelled" on our website, we have moved them to an inactive status for the time being. Traditionally, if ABC permits lapse, they would need to go through the entire ABC application process. However, due to the COVID-19 circumstances, we are committed to working with those impacted to ensure the process is streamlined and return your ABC permit to an active status when you are ready to reopen.

Please do not hesitate to reach out to the ABC Commission if we can assist you with any questions or concerns.

Respectfully,

A.D. Zander Guy
Chairman