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Commission Meeting Summary

September 9, 2020

ABC Commission Office Complex Hearing Room 101 – 10:00 AM

SECTION I

CONTESTED CASES

ALJ Decision:

1. T/A EZ Pass Tobacco and Vape

Moefo, Inc. 701 Phillips Road Kinston, NC 28504 00268676AK-999 AK AL Lenoir County ABC Board

Imposition of Decision of Administrative Law Judge: 15-day suspension and a payment of \$500.00 on the charges of (1) possessing adulterants intended for defrauding a drug or alcohol screening test and (2) failing to keep the premises clean and well-lit to avoid undue hazards.

2. T/A Lawson Park Citgo

H and M Citgo, LLC 103 Rhem Street New Bern, NC 28562 00230781AK-999 AK ALE District I

Imposition of Decision of Administrative Law Judge: 14-day suspension and payment of \$750.00 on the charges of (1) failing to superintend and (2) selling an alcoholic beverage to an underage person.

3. T/A Samuel C. Hart American Legion Post 14 Amhart Corporation 5865 South Main Street Salisbury, NC 28147 18461A-998 AJ CF ALE District VI

Offer in Compromise: 15-day suspension and payment of \$500.00 on the charges of (1) possessing gambling equipment, (2) failing to ensure members' alcoholic beverages were properly labeled and (3) failing to ensure members' alcoholic beverages were properly stored on the premises.

SECTION II

OFFERS IN COMPROMISE

Suspension:

4. T/A Latitude 35 Degrees Stooges, Inc.

1217 Hay Street Fayetteville, NC 28305 00185361AJ-999 AJ AL AN AY Cumberland County ABC Board

Offer in Compromise: 46-day suspension, avoided upon payment of \$4,600.00 on the charges of (1) giving an alcoholic beverage to an underage person (2) failing to deface tax stamp on a bottle once empty.

5. T/A Birdsong Brewing Company

Birdsong Brewing, LLC 1016 North Davidson Street Charlotte, NC 28206 00194774CM-998 AE BL DG ALE District VI

Offer in Compromise: 30-day suspension, avoided upon payment of \$3,000.00 on the charges of (1) cooperative advertising between industry member and retailer and (2) selling or possessing for sale an alcoholic beverage product that had not first been approved by the ABC Commission for sale in this State.

6. T/A Brown's Billiards

David Byron Huffman, LLC 5500-107 Atlantic Springs Road Raleigh, NC 27616 00133123AJ-999 AJ AZ Wake County ABC Board

Offer in Compromise: 25-day suspension, avoided upon payment of \$2,500.00 on the charges of (1) failing to deface tax stamp on a bottle once empty, (2) allowing a controlled substance on premise, (3) possessing a container of spirituous liquor not bearing a mixed beverage tax stamp and (4) failing to cooperate with a law enforcement officer.

7. T/A El Veracruz Mexican Restaurant

El Veracruz, Inc. 391 Towne Centre Blvd. Pineville, NC 28134 00148972AJ-998 AJ AL AY Mecklenburg County ABC Board

Offer in Compromise: 10-day suspension, avoided upon payment of \$1,000.00 on the charge of employees consuming alcoholic beverages upon the licensed premises while wearing employee uniforms.

8. T/A Fillmore Underground

DLS Events, LLC 820 Hamilton Street, Suites B-2 and B-11 Charlotte, NC 28206 00226113AJ-998 AJ AL AN AZ Charlotte-Mecklenburg Police Department

Offer in Compromise: 9-day suspension, avoided upon payment of \$900.00 on the charges of (1) possessing a container of spirituous liquor not bearing a mixed beverage tax stamp and (2) failing to deface tax stamp on a bottle once empty.

9. T/A Food Mart 1

Taym, LLC 6407 Ward Blvd., Suite A Wilson, NC 27893 00262989AK-999 AK AM AO Wilson County ABC Board

Offer in Compromise: 5-day suspension, avoided upon payment of \$500.00 on the charge of leaving an underage employee in charge of premises.

10. T/A Kristy's Food Mart

East Winston Oil, LLC

2609 North Liberty Street Winston Salem, NC 27105 00273573AK-999 AK AO ALE District V

Offer in Compromise: 5-day suspension, avoided upon payment of \$500.00 on the charge of allowing consumption at business with only off-premise permits.

11. T/A Mac's Speed Shop

Mac's Hospitality Group, LLC 482 North McPherson Church Road Fayetteville, NC 28304 00136334AJ-996 AJ AL AY ALE District III

Offer in Compromise: 15-day suspension, avoided upon payment of \$1,500.00 on the charges of (1) selling or allowing possession or consumption of alcohol not authorized by permits and (2) employee consuming alcoholic beverages upon the licensed premises while wearing an employee uniform.

12. T/A Moochies Tavern

J and B Concepts, LLC 15060 Idlewild Road, Suite I Matthews, NC 28104 00265253AJ-999 AJ AL AY ALE District VI

Offer in Compromise: 20-day suspension, avoided upon payment of \$2,000.00 on the charges of (1) failing to superintend and (2) performing services after having consumed alcoholic beverages.

13. T/A San Felipe Mexican Restaurant

San Felipe 2, Inc. 1222-F East Dixie Drive Asheboro, NC 27203 00164533AJ-999 AJ AL AY ALE District V

Offer in Compromise: 10-day suspension, avoided upon payment of \$1,000.00 on the charge of giving an alcoholic beverage to an underage person.

14. T/A Skip Express Mart

Skip Express Mart, Inc. 242 Franklin Street Mount Olive, NC 28365 00239668AK-999 AK ALE District II

Offer in Compromise: 20-day suspension, avoided upon payment of \$2,000.00 on the charge of (1) maintaining living quarters directly attached to premises (2 counts) and (2) failing to have an exterior sign with a trade name matching the permit (2 counts).

15. T/A Soho Bar and Grill

Nguyen Soho, Inc. 134 Franklin Street Mount Airy, NC 27030 00269158AJ-999 AJ AL AN AY ALE District VII

Offer in Compromise: 5-day suspension, avoided upon payment of \$500.00 on the charge of failing to purchase malt beverages only from a wholesaler.

16. T/A Supermercado El Mariachi

Supermercado El Mariachi, LLC 6301 North Tryon Street, Suite 101-105 Charlotte, NC 28213 00181243AJ-999 AJ AL Mecklenburg County ABC Board

Offer in Compromise: 10-day suspension, avoided upon payment of \$1,000.00 on the charges of (1) possessing fortified wine where not authorized and (2) dispensing prescription medication without being a licensed pharmacist.

17. T/A Vernon Mart

Vernon Mart, Inc. 901 West Vernon Avenue Kinston, NC 28501 00254058AK-999 AK AM AO Lenoir County ABC Board

Offer in Compromise: 5-day suspension, avoided upon payment of \$500.00 on the charge of possessing adulterants intended for defrauding a drug or alcohol screening test.

18. T/A 1501

Max and Lola, LLC 1501 South Mint Street Charlotte, NC 28203 00285962AJ-999 AJ AL AN AZ Charlotte-Mecklenburg Police Department

Offer in Compromise: 50-day suspension, avoided upon payment of \$5,000.00 on the charges of (1) transferring tax stamp from one spirituous liquor bottle to another, (2) possessing a container of spirituous liquor not bearing a mixed beverage tax stamp and (3) allowing possession or consumption of alcoholic beverages in a non-approved area of premises (2 counts).

19. T/A 3 Olives Pizza and Deli

3 Olives Pizza and Deli, LLC 1493 Garner Station Blvd. Raleigh, NC 27603 00282434AJ-999 AJ AL AY ALE District IV

Offer in Compromise: 5-day suspension, avoided upon payment of \$500.00 on the charge of possessing a container of spirituous liquor not bearing a mixed beverage tax stamp.

20. T/A Applebee's Grill and Bar

Applebee's Restaurants Mid-Atlantic, LLC 433 Earl Road Shelby, NC 28150 Q11653-988 AJ AL AN AY Shelby Police Department

Offer in Compromise: 20-day suspension, avoided upon payment of \$2,000.00 on the charge of selling an alcoholic beverage to an underage person.

21. T/A Applebee's Grill and Bar

Applebee's Restaurants Mid-Atlantic, LLC 205 Faith Road Salisbury, NC 28146 Q11653-994 AJ AL AN AY ALE District VI

Offer in Compromise: 45-day suspension, avoided upon payment of \$4,500.00 on the charges of (1) giving an alcoholic beverage to an underage person, (2) failing to deface tax stamp on a

bottle once empty, (3) allowing consumption of alcoholic beverages between the hours of 2:30 AM and 7:00 AM and (4) employee consuming alcoholic beverages upon the licensed premises while wearing an employee uniform.

22. T/A Arizona Pete's

Talleywhacker, Inc. 2900-A Patterson Street Greensboro, NC 27407 62464A-997 AJ AL AZ ALE District V

Offer in Compromise: 20-day suspension, avoided upon payment of \$2,000.00 on the charge of failing to cooperate with a law enforcement officer (3 counts).

23. T/A Bocao Sushi

Bocao Sushi, LLC 1000 NC Music Factory Blvd., Suite C-1 Charlotte, NC 28206 00282879AJ-999 AJ AL AN AY Charlotte-Mecklenburg Police Department

Offer in Compromise: 12-day suspension, avoided upon payment of \$1,200.00 on the charge of selling an entire bottle of spirituous liquor.

24. T/A Brasas and Son Bar Restaurant

Basar Enterprise, Inc. 6406 Old Pineville Road Charlotte, NC 28217 00276187AJ-999 AJ AY ABC Audit Division

Offer in Compromise: 5-day suspension, avoided upon payment of \$500.00 on the charge of failing to qualify as restaurant.

25. T/A Brothers Vilgalys Spirits Company

Brothers Vilgalys Spirits, LLC 803 Ramseur Street, Suite D Durham, NC 27701 00202371CM-999 BF DH SE ALE District IV Offer in Compromise: 7-day suspension, avoided upon payment of \$700.00 on the charge of selling or possessing unfortified wine for sale without the proper ABC permit and revenue license.

26. T/A Buggy's Bar

New Bar, LLC 110 East Fourth Street Greenville, NC 27858 00154970AJ-999 AJ AL AZ ALE District II

Offer in Compromise: 18-day suspension, avoided upon payment of 1,800.00 on the charges of (1) failing to comply with private club membership requirements and (2) delivering more than one drink at a time to a single patron for his personal consumption.

27. T/A Chili's Grill and Bar

Pepper Dining, Inc. 16633 Statesville Road Huntersville, NC 28078 Q11561-998 AJ AL AN AY Mecklenburg County ABC Board

Offer in Compromise: 6-day suspension, avoided upon payment of \$600.00 on the charge of failing to deface tax stamp on a bottle once empty.

28. T/A Circle K 2723886

Circle K Stores, Inc. 3610 Davis Drive Morrisville, NC 27560 Q11434-569 AK AM Wake County ABC Board

Offer in Compromise: 18-day suspension, avoided upon payment of \$1,800.00 on the charge of selling an alcoholic beverage to an underage person.

29. **T/A Down Time**

Down Time Chapel, LLC 201-B East Franklin Street Chapel Hill, NC 27514 00285746AJ-999 AJ AL AY ALE District IV Offer in Compromise: 6-day suspension, avoided upon payment of \$600.00 on the charge of possessing a container of spirituous liquor not bearing a mixed beverage tax stamp.

30. T/A Duckworth's Grill and Taphouse

Duckworth's 3103, LLC 16609 Statesville Road Huntersville, NC 28078 00209410AJ-999 AJ AL AY Mecklenburg County ABC Board

Offer in Compromise: 6-day suspension, avoided upon payment of \$600.00 on the charge of failing to deface tax stamp on a bottle once empty.

31. T/A Durham Performing Arts Center

Ovations Food Services Limited Partnership 123 Vivian Street Durham, NC 27701 Q11658-991 AJ AL BN ALE District IV

Offer in Compromise: 22-day suspension, avoided upon payment of \$2,200.00 on the charges of (1) failing to purchase malt beverage and unfortified wine only from a wholesaler, (2) possessing spirituous liquor where not authorized and (3) possessing a container of spirituous liquor not bearing a mixed beverage tax stamp.

32. T/A Erwin Lucky Stop

HHMO, Inc. 800 South 13th Street Erwin, NC 28339 00257631AK-999 AK AM ALE District IV

Offer in Compromise: 22-day suspension, avoided upon payment of \$2,200.00 on the charge of selling an alcoholic beverage to an underage person.

33. T/A Falls Village Golf Club

CGPM Managers II, LLC 115 Falls Village Lane Durham, NC 27703 00264318AJ-999 AJ AL BT ALE District IV Offer in Compromise: 12-day suspension, avoided upon payment of \$1,200.00 on the charges of (1) selling or possessing fortified wine for sale without the proper ABC permit and revenue license and (2) failing to maintain beer and wine invoices from wholesaler.

34. T/A Fast Stop 2

Ibrahim Ahmed Almaweri 801 Alston Avenue Durham, NC 27701 00248629AK-999 AK AM AO ALE District IV

Offer in Compromise: 8-day suspension, avoided upon payment of \$800.00 on the charge of performing services after having consumed alcoholic beverages.

35. T/A Five Points Mini Mart

Nasr, Inc. 1509 National Avenue New Bern, NC 28560 00156928AK-999 AK AM AO ALE District I

Offer in Compromise: 15-day suspension, avoided upon payment of \$1,500.00 on the charge of performing services after having consumed alcoholic beverages.

36. **T/A Food Lion 1284**

Food Lion, LLC 2825-B North Cannon Blvd. Kannapolis, NC 28083 Q11473-628 AK AM AO CE DF ALE District VI

Offer in Compromise: 12-day suspension, avoided upon payment of \$1,200.00 on the charge of selling an alcoholic beverage to an underage person.

37. T/A Food Lion 540

Food Lion, LLC 1107 East Lexington Avenue High Point, NC 27262 Q11473-723 AK AM AO CE DF High Point Police Department Offer in Compromise: 18-day suspension, avoided upon payment of \$1,800.00 on the charge of selling an alcoholic beverage to an underage person.

38. T/A Go Burrito

Go Burrito 1, LLC 115 West Fisher Street Salisbury, NC 28144 00205932AJ-999 AJ AL AY ALE District VI

Offer in Compromise: 8-day suspension, avoided upon payment of \$800.00 on the charge of employee possessing a controlled substance.

39. T/A Gourmet Market

Seyoum Faisa Joseph 27 North Front Street Wilmington, NC 28401 00091755AK-998 AK AM ALE District I

Offer in Compromise: 8-day suspension, avoided upon payment of \$800.00 on the charge of possessing fortified wine where not authorized.

40. T/A Har Food Mart

Har Food Mart, Inc. 207 West Main Street Carrboro, NC 27510 00200155AK-999 AK AM AO Carrboro Police Department

Offer in Compromise: 50-day suspension, avoided upon payment of \$5,000.00 on the charge of selling an alcoholic beverage to an underage person.

41. T/A Jackpot Mini Mart

S and H Jackpot, LLC 503 Grove Street Fayetteville, NC 28301 00283035AK-999 AK AM AO ALE District III

Offer in Compromise: 25-day suspension, avoided upon payment of \$2,500.00 on the charges of (1) failing to maintain beer and wine invoices from wholesaler, (2) failing to superintend, (3)

selling or transferring glass tubes or splitters without proper records (2 counts) and (4) failing to maintain minimum food inventory to qualify for an off-premise fortified wine permit.

42. T/A Jiffy Mart

Jameel Ahmed Sharhan 1101 West 3rd Avenue Red Springs, NC 28377 00228930AK-999 AM AO AK ALE District III

Offer in Compromise: 12-day suspension, avoided upon payment of \$1,200.00 on the charges of (1) failing to maintain beer and wine invoices from wholesaler, (2) possessing a video gaming machine and (3) failing to maintain minimum food inventory to qualify for an off-premise fortified wine permit.

43. T/A Las Carolinas Food Mart

Las Carolinas Food Mart, Inc. 6132 North Tryon Street, Suite G Charlotte, NC 28213 00270802AK-999 AK Mecklenburg County ABC Board

Offer in Compromise: 5-day suspension, avoided upon payment of \$500.00 on the charge of dispensing prescription medication without being a licensed pharmacist.

44. T/A Mar Mac Express

Hadwan, Inc. 2371 US 117 South Dudley, NC 28333 00210101AK-997 AK AM AO Wayne County ABC Board

Offer in Compromise: 32-day suspension, avoided upon payment of \$3,200.00 on the charge of selling an alcoholic beverage to an underage person.

45. T/A Omni Mart

Sairam Enterprises, LLC 401 Linwood Road Gastonia, NC 28052 00186519AK-998 AK AM AO ALE District VI Offer in Compromise: 32-day suspension, avoided upon payment of \$3,200.00 on the charges of (1) selling an alcoholic beverage to an underage person, (2) possessing a video gaming machine and (3) employee possessing a controlled substance.

46. T/A One Stop Shop

One Stop Shop, LLC 2070 Strickland Bridge Road Fayetteville, NC 28304 00212944AK-999 AK AM AO Cumberland County ABC Board

Offer in Compromise: 12-day suspension, avoided upon payment of \$1,200.00 on the charge of employee possessing a controlled substance.

47. T/A Paris Lounge

Paris Lounge, LLC 5500 Atlantic Springs Road, Suite 103 Raleigh, NC 27616 00275276AJ-999 AJ AL AN AZ ALE District IV

Offer in Compromise: 40-day suspension, avoided upon payment of \$4,000.00 on the charges of (1) selling alcoholic drinks at a price that is different than usual for less than one full business day, (2) failing to superintend and (3) selling an entire bottle of spirituous liquor.

48. T/A Red Hill Brewing Company

Red Hill Brewing Company 21 Union Street, Second Floor Concord, NC 28025 00245037CM-999 AE BL DG ALE District VI

Offer in Compromise: 10-day suspension, avoided upon payment of \$1,000.00 on the charges of (1) selling or possessing for sale an alcoholic beverage product that had not first been approved by the ABC Commission for sale in this State and (2) wholesaler selling an unapproved malt beverage to retailer.

49. T/A Refectory Cafe

Bon Vivant Catering, Inc. 2726 Durham Chapel Hill Blvd. Durham, NC 27707 00121660AK-996 AJ AL AY BX ALE District IV

Offer in Compromise: 6-day suspension, avoided upon payment of \$600.00 on the charge of selling or possessing unfortified wine for sale without the proper ABC permit and revenue license.

50. T/A Remedies

Remedies Restaurant Drinks and Nightlife, LLC 1225 Union Road Gastonia, NC 28054 00248840AJ-999 AJ AL AY ALE District VI

Offer in Compromise: 50-day suspension, avoided upon payment of \$5,000.00 on the charges of (1) failing to superintend (2 counts), (2) allowing a controlled substance on premise, (3) performing services after having consumed alcoholic beverages, (4) delivering more than one drink at a time to a single patron for his personal consumption and (5) possessing a video gaming machine.

51. T/A Smart Stop

Salim NC, Inc. 101 West 12th Street Scotland Neck, NC 27874 00209563AK-998 AK AM AO ALE District II

Offer in Compromise: 15-day suspension, avoided upon payment of \$1,500.00 on the charges of (1) failing to maintain minimum food inventory to qualify for an off-premise fortified wine permit and (2) employee possessing a controlled substance.

52. T/A Star Gallery

Star Gallery, LLC 2303 Neuse Blvd., Units 1 and 2 New Bern, NC 28560 00280359AJ-999 AJ AL AZ ALE District I

Offer in Compromise: 30-day suspension, avoided upon payment of \$3,000.00 on the charges of (1) failing to superintend, (2) possessing containers of spirituous liquor not bearing a mixed beverage tax stamp and (3) failing to comply with private club membership requirements.

53. T/A Star Market

GTI Enterprises, Inc.

836 West Market Street Smithfield, NC 27577 00195598AK-999 AK AM AO ALE District IV

Offer in Compromise: 30-day suspension, avoided upon payment of \$3,000.00 on the charge of selling an alcoholic beverage to an underage person.

54. T/A Still Life Greenville

511 Cotanche Street Entertainment, LLC 511 Cotanche Street Greenville, NC 27858 00243551AJ-999 AJ AL AZ ALE District II

Offer in Compromise: 18-day suspension, avoided upon payment of 1,800.00 on the charges of (1) failing to comply with private club membership requirements and (2) delivering more than one drink at a time to a single patron for his personal consumption.

55. T/A Tienda Mexicana La Pachuquena

Hidalgo Enterprise Corp. 7520 South Tryon Street, Suite 116 Charlotte, NC 28217 00235082AK-999 AK Mecklenburg County ABC Board

Offer in Compromise: 15-day suspension, avoided upon payment of \$1,500.00 on the charges of (1) possessing spirituous liquor where not authorized and (2) dispensing prescription medication without being a licensed pharmacist.

56. T/A Trenton Express Mart

Trenton Express Mart, LLC 101 East Jones Street Trenton, NC 28585 00248538AK-999 AK AM ALE District I

Offer in Compromise: 12-day suspension, avoided upon payment of \$1,250.00 on the charges of (1) possessing a video gaming machine and (2) selling or transferring glass tubes or splitters without proper records.

57. T/A Tryon Distributing

Tryon Distributing, LLC 4701 Stockholm Court Charlotte, NC 28273 00103373CM-998 AT AU BL BM ALE District VI

Offer in Compromise: 20-day suspension, avoided upon payment of \$2,000.00 on the charge of wholesaler delivering fortified wine to retailer without proper permit.

58. T/A Way

Pirate Way, LLC 218 East Fifth Street Greenville, NC 27858 00243253AJ-999 AJ AL AZ ALE District II

Offer in Compromise: 18-day suspension, avoided upon payment of \$1,800.00 on the charges of (1) delivering more than one drink at a time to a single patron for his personal consumption and (2) failing to comply with private club membership requirements.