



Alcoholic Beverage Control

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NORTH CAROLINA ABC COMMISSION HOLDS REGULAR MEETING

RALEIGH – The North Carolina Alcoholic Beverage Control (ABC) Commission held its regular monthly meeting on Wednesday, January 14th, 2026. Chairman Bauer recognized and thanked former ABC Chairman Paul Powell for his service to North Carolina and contributions to this field throughout his career.

The Commission ratified 86 hearing cases that resulted in penalties in excess of \$103,200 and/or imposition of suspensions of permits for three days or more. Fines are due on or before February 6th, 2026, and suspensions begin February 13th, 2026.

The Commission approved an exemption request pursuant to [§18B-1116\(b\)](#) for Southern Peak Brewery, LLC T/A Southern Peak Brewery; Peak City Brewing Company, LLC T/A Southern Peak Taproom and Pizzeria; Nathan Poissant; Anthony Masino; and Kenneth Michalski.

The Commission approved a proposed ABC store location at 20215 West Catawba Avenue in Cornelius, as requested by the Mecklenburg County ABC Board. This store will replace the existing ABC store located at 19701 Statesville Road in Cornelius, which will be converted into a mixed beverage ABC store.

The Commission continued the NC Private Protective Services Board's request until the March 2026 Commission meeting.

The Commission held a public hearing for proposed amendments to 14B NCAC [Subchapter 15C](#), Rule .0103 and Section .0700.

The Commission approved May 13th, June 10th, July 8th, August 12th, September 9th, October 14th, November 18th, and December 9th of 2026 as future Commission meeting dates. The next monthly meeting will be held at the NC ABC Commission (400 E. Tryon Road, Raleigh, NC 27610) on Wednesday, February 11th, 2026, at 10:00 am.

ABOUT THE NC ABC COMMISSION

North Carolina is one of 17 states to regulate alcohol through a control system. The North Carolina Alcoholic Beverage Control Commission provides regulation and control over the sale, purchase, transportation, manufacture, consumption and possession of alcoholic beverages in the state of North Carolina. <https://abc.nc.gov>.

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