

DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER PROTECTION

LIQUOR CONTROL DIVISION

MINUTES

MEETING PLACE: Commission Meeting Room - Room 124

MEETING DATE: January 6, 2009 – 8:30 a.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Angelo J. Faenza, Liquor Control Commissioner  
Stephen R. Somma, Liquor Control Commissioner

STAFF PRESENT: Gerald C. Langlais, Administrator of Liquor Control  
John Suchy, Director of Liquor Control  
Elisa Nahas, Legal Counsel  
Mary Ellen Gillon, Paralegal Specialist 2  
(8:30 a.m. – 8:56 a.m.)  
Lynn Fiore, Staff Attorney 3  
(8:30 a.m. – 9:00 a.m.)  
Douglas Deveny, Secretary

HEARINGS - Mary Ellen Gillon:

1. **RANA, KALPESH C. - LGB.14278** Variety Store, Norwalk, CT  
Commission grants applicant's request for additional continuance of formal hearing. 2008-4909
2. **DELMONACO, ANTHONY - LCA.6177** Hammer Jack's, New Haven, CT  
Commission continues formal hearing. 2008-5098
3. **MARTINEZ, RAMONA A. - LGB.13612** Town Market, Hartford, CT  
Commission accepts offer in compromise in lieu of hearing of 2 days and \$1,600 for incident of 5/8/08. 2008-3771
4. **VALLETTA, NICHOLAS - LIR.16429** Nikkita, New Haven, CT  
Commission accepts offer in compromise in lieu of hearing of 6 days and \$1,500 for incident of 9/28/08. 2008-10241
5. **BONILLA, EDDIE - LGB.12372** Caribbean Market, New Britain, CT  
Commission accepts offer in compromise in lieu of hearing of 3 days and \$750 for incident of 10/29/08. 2008-10896

6. **MARINI, MARISA - LIR.14343** Marisa's Ristorante, Trumbull, CT  
Commission approves new lockable storage area as shown on a map entitled, "Sprinkler System Ground Floor" prepared by Rybak Engineering, Inc., dated 11/26/07. 2008-3303.
7. **DASILVA, WILLIAM A. - LBP.51** SBC Restaurant & Brewery, Branford, CT  
After compliance meeting, commission would accept 1 day and \$750 for incident of 6/3/08. 2008-5142
8. **MARTINEZ, MARIA - LGB.14123** Stop & Save, Hartford, CT  
After compliance meeting, commission would accept 60 days for incident of 3/6/08. 2008-1750
9. **ORTIZ, MARGIE - LGB.13305** Ortiz Market, Bridgeport, CT  
After compliance meeting, commission would accept 4 days and \$1,350 for incident of 11/3/07. 2008-1698
10. **EDDY, SEAN - LIR.17154** Emperor Restaurant & Lounge, Hartford, CT  
The Respondent has failed to comply with payment of the civil penalty imposed in the October 16, 2008 decision, (Case No. 2007-5260, 2008-6708; Docket No. 08-1280), despite requests from the Department. Therefore, upon reconsideration, commission modifies the Memorandum of Decision issued October 16, 2008, and imposes a 3-day suspension of the permit in lieu of the \$250 civil penalty originally imposed.

DISCUSSIONS – Lynn Fiore:

11. **KHANH, DENNIS - LCN.3** Foxwoods Resort Casino, Mashantucket, CT  
Liquor Commission accepts OIC of \$3000 to resolve case # 2008-5892.
12. **SAVINO, MICHELE A. - LIR.17594** 121 Restaurant at OXC, Oxford, CT  
Liquor Commission accepts offer of \$30,000 civil penalty - \$15,000 in abeyance for one year for any violation of purchase from or sale to an unauthorized source, sale to a minor, or sale to intox to resolve case # 2008-8193

PROVISIONAL PERMIT:

13. **BITZONIS, JAMES – LIR.17837** Buffalo Wild Wings Grill & Bar, Stamford, CT  
Commission approved to issue provisional permit upon receipt of stipulated agreement, \$500 fee, health certificate, sales tax verification. Endorse patio. Commission approved request to waive COD requirement for provisional permit.
14. **CEPEDA, JUAN M. – LGB.14348** La Marqueta Meat & Produce, Stamford, CT

Commission approved to issue provisional permit upon receipt of stipulated agreement, \$500 fee, complete application (questions 29B, 31B, 34), personal history form (question 2). Commission approved request to waive COD requirement for provisional permit.

- 15. SILEO, MARIA L. – LGB.14352** J&M Convenience, Stamford, CT  
Commission takes no action; file returned to agent.
- 16. REGINA, LOUIS III – LIP.14520** MT RD Wine & Liquor, Seymour, CT  
Commission approved to issue provisional permit upon receipt of stipulated agreement, \$500 fee, sketch, personal history form for Louis Regina.
- 17. TADDUNI, ANTHONY J. JR. – LCA.7045** Draft House, Shelton, CT  
Commission approved to issue provisional permit upon receipt of stipulated agreement, \$500 fee, health certificate, sales tax verification, personal history and release of information form for Anthony Tadduni.
- 18. CASTRO, NANCY E. – LCA.7039** Moja, Stamford, CT  
Commission approved to issue provisional permit upon receipt of stipulated agreement, \$500 fee, cancel old permit LCA.6783, seller's affidavit or abandonment affidavit, health certificate, sales tax verification.
- 19. CASTRO, SAUL A. – LCA.7046** Bungalow Café, Stamford, CT  
Commission approved to issue provisional permit upon receipt of stipulated agreement, \$500 fee, health certificate. Endorse patio. Commission approved request to waive COD requirement for provisional permit.
- 20. BARGAS, JAMES – LIR.17827** Store Barn Restaurant and Whitney Farms Monroe, CT  
Commission approved to issue provisional permit upon receipt of stipulated agreement, \$500 fee, health certificate, complete section B of personal history for James Bargas, sketch, photos (8x10) of exterior, (pay \$300 fee for ACB's and complete ACB applications; commission approval needed prior to use of ACB's), personal history forms for ALL members of Whitney Farms Restaurant LLC (8), Dates of birth for ALL members of backer LLC, sales tax verification. Commission approved request to waive COD requirement for provisional permit.

PROVISIONAL PERMIT EXTENSIONS:

- 21. LORA, YANEYRA – LCA.6958.P** Laguna Lounge, Waterbury, CT  
Commission approved to extend provisional permit.
- 22. DI CLEMENTE, TROY – LIR.17679.P** Glas Restaurant, Glastonbury, CT  
Commission approved to extend provisional permit.

23. **MARTELLI, THOMAS R. III – LIR.17621.P** Café Paolo, Waterbury, CT  
Commission approved to extend provisional permit.
24. **SULLIVAN, JAMES – LCA.7008.P** Ten Twenty Post, Darien, CT  
Commission approved to extend provisional permit.
25. **RUSCONI, MATTHEW J. – LIR.17657.P** Moe's Southwest Grill, West Hartford, CT  
Commission approved to extend provisional permit.
26. **RUKSTELA, SANDRA M. – LIR.17765.P** Brooklyn's Country View Restaurant LLC, Brooklyn, CT  
Commission approved to extend provisional permit.

FINAL PERMITS:

27. **GELOSO BEVERAGE GROUP LLC – LSB.759** Rochester, NY  
Commission approved to issue final permit.
28. **SABINA VINEYARD LLC – LSW.434** Saint Helena, CA  
Commission approved to issue final permit.
29. **DIAGEO CHATEAU ESTATE WINES CO – LSW.437** Rutherford, CA  
Commission approved to issue final permit.
30. **DIAGEO CHATEAU ESTATE WINES CO – LSW.438** Calistoga, CA  
Commission approved to issue final permit.
31. **DIAGEO CHATEAU ESTATE WINES CO – LSW.439** Walla Walla, CA  
Commission approved to issue final permit.
32. **DIAGEO CHATEAU ESTATE WINES CO – LSW.440** Wapato, CA  
Commission approved to issue final permit.
33. **BENZIGER FAMILY WINERY LLC – LSW.441** Glen Ellen, CA  
Commission approved to issue final permit.
34. **VOTTO VINES IMPORTING LLC – LIW.625** Hamden, CT  
Commission approves to issue final permit upon receipt of publication notice.
35. **VOTTO VINES IMPORTING LLC – LCL.585** Hamden, CT  
Commission approved to issue final permit.
36. **ZAHARIADIS, DIMITRIOS – LIR.17632.P** Vintage Restaurant and Bar, Waterbury, CT

Commission approves to issue final permit upon receipt of menu, photos (8x10) of interior, ACB application for 2<sup>nd</sup> floor ACB AND approval by commission PRIOR to use.

37. **MANCHANDA, AJAY – LIP.14493.P** The Liquor Factory, Derby, CT  
Commission approved to issue final permit.
38. **DUSHKU, GINO – LRW.4605.P** Valley View Pizza, Seymour, CT  
Commission approves to issue final permit upon receipt of bill of sale, seller's affidavit, equipment list, photos (8x10) of furnished interior and lockable storage. Endorse no bar.
39. **SKEHAN, SHAWN M. – LIR.17680.P** Plan B Burger Bar, Glastonbury, CT  
Commission approves to issue final permit upon receipt of completed application (sections M6&N6), lease, menu, photos (8x10) of furnished interior and patio. Endorse patio.

OTHER:

40. **CAVALLO, RICK A. – LCA.7020.P** Grumpy's Steakhouse, Plainville, CT  
Commission approved request to waive COD requirement for provisional permit.
41. **CONTE, DEAN – LIR.16243** Conte's Market & Grill, Westport, CT  
Assign to hearing; 30-55a.
42. **SCHORK, KATHLEEN S. – LCA.6494** Osiris Café, Ansonia, CT  
Assign to hearing; 30-55a.
43. **TROMBLEY, GARY J. SR. – LIP.14293** Montville Wine & Spirits, Montville, CT  
Commission approved request for transfer of interest and also approved Gary Trombley Jr. as substitute permittee.

Adjourned at 9:30 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Gerald C. Langlais  
Administrator of Liquor Control  
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