DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER PROTECTION

LIQUOR CONTROL DIVISION

MINUTES

MEETING PLACE: Commission Meeting Room - Room 124

MEETING DATE: April 28, 2011 – 8:30 a.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Stephen R. Somma, Liquor Control Commissioner

STAFF PRESENT: John Suchy, Director of Liquor Control

1234, 2010-1233, 2010-1262, 2010-1531

Elisa Nahas, Legal Counsel Lynn Fiore, Staff Attorney III

Mary Ellen Gillon, Paralegal Specialist II

Douglas Deveny, Secretary

HEARINGS:

1. RODGERS, KERRY L. - LCA.7054

Trestle Tavern, Seymour, CT

After compliance meeting, commission takes no further action on incident of 1/30/10. 2010-268

2. NICKOLENKO, DAVID W. - LIR.17745

Jimmy Buffett's Margaritaville, Uncasville, CT After compliance meeting, commission accepts offer of \$9,000, of which \$3,000 would be held in abeyance for 6 months, for incidents of 10/24/10 and 1/22/11. 2011-52, 2010-1378

3. **FARRAH, ROMMERRO H. - LIR.17459**Commission accepts offer in compromise in lieu of hearing of thirty day suspension to be served starting on August 19, 2011, file application for substitute permittee within 14 days of the date of the offer, and comply with all requirements for a restaurant permit within 30 days of the date of the offer. 2009-2852, 2009-3346, 2009-5845, 2009-5688, 2010-173, 2009-5827, 2010-

4. **DELBON, BENNY J. - LIR.15334** The Elbow Room, West Hartford, CT After compliance meeting commission accepts offer in compromise in lieu of hearing of 5 days and \$1,500, of which 4 days and \$500 would be held in abeyance for 6 months, for incidents of 3/11/10 and 10/9/10. 2010-419, 2010-1348

- 5. **BELLAMY, JOYCE LCA.6822** Pearl Lounge, New Haven, CT Commission requests that file be held pending Commissioner Faenza's return. 2010-1445. 2010-1423, 2010-1068
- 6. **REIS, ANNA M. LIP.14581** Premier Wine and Spirits, Fairfield, CT After compliance meeting, due to imminent sale, commission would accept offer in compromise in lieu of hearing of \$3,750 and 13 day suspension if closing does not occur by June 28, 2011. 2011-248
- 7. **LIAPES, VASILIKOS LRW.3247** Mama's Pizza, Willimantic, CT After compliance meeting, commission would accept offer in compromise in lieu of hearing of 3 days and \$800, both to beheld in abeyance for 6 months, for incident of 10/9/10 2011-19
- 8. **LACERVA, JOE LIP.12765** Costco Wholesale, Milford, CT After compliance meeting, commission would accept offer in compromise in lieu of hearing of \$1,000 for incidents of 11/1-12/2/10 and 12/1-12/31/10. 2010-1592, 2010-1475
- 9. **TOTH, AARON M. LCA.6939** Pleasant Moments, Bridgeport, CT After compliance meting, commission would accept offer in compromise in lieu of hearing of 6 months and \$10,000 for incident of 11/21/10. 2010-810
- 10. **TORELLO, JAMES LCA.5053**Toad's Place, New Haven, CT Commission rejects offer of 5 days and \$1,500 for incidents of 10/2/10 and 01/8/10. Commission would accept 5 days and \$10,000. 2010-1432, 2010-1293
- 11. **PATE, ROBERT C. JR. LIP.14141** Ye Olde Spirit Shoppe, Mystic, CT Return to division for clarification. 2011-333
- 12. **SANTANGELI, PATSY J. LIR.15914** The Bear and Grill Restaurant, Fairfield, CT

Following compliance, the Commission takes no further action regarding 2009-5662. The Commission notes that an administrative error occurred and that the backer of the premises is The Bear and Grill Restaurant LLC, with members being Patsy Santangeli (50%) and the Trustees of the trust for the benefit of Patsy Santangeli (50%).

13. **SANTANGELI, CATERINA R. – LIR.17305** Bear and Grill II, Orange, CT Following compliance, the Commission takes no further action regarding 2010-509. The Commission notes that an administrative error occurred and that the backer of the premises is The Bear and Grill II LLC, with members being Caterina Santangeli (50%) and the Trustees of the trust for the benefit of Caterina Santangeli (50%).

DISCUSSIONS:

14. **ALBANESE, JOSEPH - LCN3** Foxwoods Resort Casino, Mashantucket, CT Commission accepts OIC of \$19,125 to resolve 2010-856, 2010-1003, 2010-1029.

PROVISIONAL PERMITS:

- **15. DEPENA, HENRY J. LGB.14654** Los Cubanitos Market, Hartford, CT Commission takes no action; returned to agent.
- **16. JARRIER, BERNARD E. LRW.4821** Zee Burger, Woodbury, CT Commission approves to issue provisional permit upon receipt of stipulated agreement, \$500 fee. Endorse service bar only. Commission approved request to waive COD requirements for provisional permit.

17. TANCREDI, SUSAN W. – LIR.18342

Crown & Hammer Restaurant & Pub, Collinsville, CT Commission approves to issue provisional permit upon receipt of stipulated agreement, \$500 fee, cancel old permit LIR.16710, bill of sale, seller's affidavit. Endorse patio. Commission approved request to waive COD requirements for provisional permit.

18. TRONE, THOMAS E. – LIP.14828 Wine Nation, Norwalk, CT Commission approves to issue provisional permit upon receipt of stipulated agreement, \$500 fee, return of CSBI checks. Commission approved request to waive COD requirements for provisional permit.

PROVISIONAL PERMIT EXTENSIONS:

19. MERCURIO, PHYLLIS R. – LIR.18227.P.CW

Round Robin of Milford, Milford, CT Commission approved request to extend provisional permit.

20. RODRIGUEZ, KENNETH T. - LIR.18327.P.CW

Seven Bar Grille, Hartford, CT Commission approved request to extend provisional permit.

21. ROCCO, FRANK – LRW.4789.P.CW Planet Pizza, Darien, CT Commission approved request to extend provisional permit.

FINAL PERMITS:

22. ORIGINS EXCEL WINE AND SPIRITS INC – LSL.1325

Harrisburg, PA

Commission approved to issue final permit.

23. MEREDOTT IMPORTS INC - LCB.547

Danbury, CT

Commission approved to issue final permit.

24. GEMSTONE VINEYARDS LLC – LSW.628

Saint Helena, CA

Commission approved to issue final permit.

25. TURNBULL WINE CELLARS – LSW.629

Oakville, CA

Commission approved to issue final permit.

26. ANASTASIOS, KEVIN A. – LIR.18300.P.CW

Anastasio Italian Steak House, East Haven, CT

Commission approves to issue final permit upon receipt of publication notice, 8x10 photos of interior and exterior. Endorse 1 ACB and patio.

27. THAPA, BISHAL – LIP.14809

Center Liquors, Manchester, CT

Commission approves to issue final permit when in receipt of permit LIP.13761 for cancellation, bill of sale, seller's affidavit, proof right of occupancy for backer Keshav LLC.

28. CHIRNOMULA, PRASAD – LCA.7268.P.CW

Oaxaca Kitchen, New Haven, CT

Commission approves to issue final permit when in receipt of publication notice. Endorse patio.

29. **FROIS, CHRISTOPHER K. – LCA.7222.P.CW** Ice Ultra Lounge, Waterbury, CT Commission approves to issue final permit upon receipt of 8x10 photos of trade name sign. Endorse patio.

30. STRADCZUK, BRIAN M. – LCT.326

Oasis Pub, New London, CT

Commission approved to issue caterer's permit.

31. SKULCZYCK, MICHAEL – LCA.7206.P.CW

Schooch's Billiard Café, Uncasville, CT

Commission approves to issue final permit upon receipt of proof of right of occupancy for C&M Restaurant Group LLC.

OTHER:

32. NICHOLSON, STEPHANIE E. – LRW.4783

Fireside Brickoven Creations, Gales Ferry, CT Commission endorses permit with permanent patio approval.

33. VERTUCCI, ALAN – LIP.12902

Al's Warehouse, Norwalk, CT

Commission approves request to remove on stipulation due to hardship; final removal approval subject to agent's report and investigation.

- 34. **BRAMATO, GAETANO LCA.7275** Titanium Bar and Lounge Middletown, CT Commission endorses ACB.
- 35. **KURUCA, ISMAIL LRW.4757** Green Olive Diner, Meriden, CT Commission approved application for transfer of interest and Ibrahim Brian Balik as substitute permittee.
- 36. WINE & SPIRITS WHOLESALERS OF CONNECTICUT

 Commission rejects letter of request for delayed deliveries through May 4,

 2011 for orders taken in April (Brescome Barton, Hartley & Parker,

 Connecticut Distributors, Eder Bros, Allan S. Goodman, Winebow Inc and

 Opici Wine Company of CT).

37. HARTLEY & PARKER LTD – LIW.512

Stratford, CT

Commission rejects letter of request for delayed deliveries through May 2, 2011 for orders taken in April.

38. WINE & SPIRITS WHOLESALERS OF CONNECTICUT

Commission approves letter of request for delayed deliveries through June 3, 2011 for orders taken in May due to Memorial Day holiday (Brescome Barton, Hartley & Parker, Connecticut Distributors, Eder Bros, Allan S. Goodman, Winebow Inc and Opici Wine Company of CT).

39. SLOCUM AND SONS – LIW.596

North Haven, CT

Commission reviewed request to allow April 2011 ordered products to be delivered through May 2, 2011. The request was denied.

40. **G & G BEVERAGE DISTRIBUTORS INC – LIW.509** Wallingford, CT Commission reviewed request to allow April 2011-ordered products to be delivered up to the fifth delivery of May 2011. The request was denied.

41. ACE DISTRIBUTING LLC – LIW.580

Plainville, CT

Commission reviewed request to allow April 2011 ordered products to be delivered through May 4, 2011. The request was denied.

Adjourned at 9:33 a.m.

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Respectfully submitted,

John Suchy Director of Liquor Control dd