STATE OF CONNECTICUT

DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER PROTECTION

LIQUOR CONTROL DIVISION

MINUTES

MEETING PLACE: Commission Meeting Room – Room 124

MEETING DATE: October 21, 2014 – 8:30 a.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Angelo J. Faenza, Liquor Control Commissioner

Stephen R. Somma, Liquor Control Commissioner

STAFF PRESENT: Elisa Nahas, Legal Director

John Suchy, Director of Liquor Control Mary Ellen Gillon, Paralegal Specialist

Richard Mindek, License and Applications Analyst Robert Willard, Supervising Liquor Control Agent

Robin Densmore, Secretary 1

PUBLIC PRESENT: None

HEARINGS – Mary Ellen Gillon:

- 1. **BLIVEN, BRIAN LIR.16814** 99 Restaurant and Pub, Enfield, CT After compliance meeting, The Commission accepts an offer in compromise in lieu of hearing of 3 days and \$750, of which 2 days and \$250 will be held in abeyance for 6 months, for incident of 6/14/2014. 2014-772
- 2. **VACALEBRE, CARMEN LIR.14896** Carmen Anthony Fishhouse, Woodbury, CT Remove from hearings; obligation to Department of Labor resolved. 2014-580
- 3. **VACALEBRE, CARMEN LIR.14491** Carmen Anthony Steakhouse, Waterbury, CT Remove from hearings; obligation to Department of Labor resolved. 2014-581
- 4. VACALEBRE, CARMEN LIR.16751

Carmen Anthony Steakhouse of New Haven, New Haven, CT Remove from hearings; obligation to Department of Labor resolved. 2014-583

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PROVISIONAL PERMITS:

- 5. **DURANTE, RICHARD LIP.15224** Kings Fine Wines, Old Greenwich, CT The Commission takes no action at this time. Assign to agent for investigation.
- 6. **ROSINI, PIERA LIR.19134** Artisin Restaurant, Orange, CT The Commission approves the issuance of the provisional liquor permit upon receipt of stipulated agreement for provisional, \$500.00 fee, cancel permit # LIR.18830, and seller's affidavit. The Commission approves the request allowing wholesalers to extend credit while operating with provisional permit.

PROVISIONAL PERMIT EXTENSIONS:

- 7. **FIGUEROA, VICTOR JOSE LIR.19063** Jojoto, Branford, CT The Commission approves the request to extend the provisional liquor permit.
- 8. **GUPTA, JENNIFER LYNN LGB.14999**Harvest Country Store, West Hartford, CT

 The Commission approves the request to extend the provisional liquor permit.
- 9. **LOPEZ, LEON LIT.1834** Salsa's Southwest Grill, Plantsville, CT The Commission approves the request to extend the provisional liquor permit.
- 10. **WU, BING LIR.19062** Bambou Asian Tapas and Bar, Greenwich, CT The Commission approves the request to extend the provisional liquor permit.

FINAL PERMITS:

11. GUPTA, JENNIFER LYNN – LGB.14999

Harvest Country Store, West Hartford, CT Assign to hearing, definition of a grocery store. Case # 2014-1054

12. **NAYAK, ATUL M. – LIP.15187** Fine Drop Wine and Liquors, Torrington, CT The Commission approves the issuance of the final liquor permit upon receipt of 8x10 photo of the exterior of the proposed premises, to be taken from a position directly across the street of highway.

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13. TIGNER FAMILY VINEYARDS LLC – LSW.917

Healdsburg, CA

The Commission approves the issuance of the final liquor permit.

14. SMART DISTRIBUTORS LLC – LSL.1518

Houston, TX

The Commission approves the issuance of the final liquor permit.

15. LYNMAR WINERY LLC - LSW.929

Sebastopol, CA

The Commission approves the issuance of the final liquor permit.

16. LUCAS VINEYARDS INC - LSW.930

Interlaken, NY

The Commission approves the issuance of the final liquor permit.

17. **DAHDAL, MAHER – LGB.15008** Connecticut Food Market, Bridgeport, CT Assign to hearing, definition of a grocery store. Case # 2014-1055

18. **DRIGGS, WILLIAM MICHAEL – LIR.19084** Sayulita, South Glastonbury, CT The Commission approves the issuance of the final liquor permit upon receipt of 8x10 photo of the exterior of the proposed premises, to be taken from a position directly across the street or highway, 8x10 photos of the interior to include completed barroom, dining room, kitchen, patio, and lockable storage, and copy of the final menu. Endorse patio.

19. **ZOGAJ, ARSIM – LRW.5065**

Elaine's Restaurant, Torrington, CT

The Commission approves the issuance of the final liquor permit upon receipt of 8x10 photo of the exterior of the proposed premises, to be taken from a position directly across the street or highway. Endorse service bar only.

OTHER:

20. CELLAR FINE WINES – LIW.680

Cellar Fine Wines, Essex, CT

The Commission approves the request for removal from 46 Plains Rd, Ste 29, Essex, CT to 46 Plains Rd #13-18, Essex, CT upon receipt of stipulated agreement for removal and 8x10 photo of the proposed premises, to be taken from a position directly across the street or highway.

21. RIVERA, CHRISTINA LYNNE – LCA.7669

Caral Lounge, Hartford, CT

The Commission approves the request to transfer \$1450.00 from LIR.19119 to LCA.7669. This supersedes previous approval for transfer of \$1550.00.

22. SOUSA, JOHN - LIR.14265

Olivers Taverne, Essex, CT

The Commission approves the request to keep invoices off premises to be kept at the Bern Inc. office located at 699 Reservoir Street, Cheshire, CT 06410.

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- 23. **CARON, ARDAN LIC.2006** Bristol Polish American Citizens, Bristol, CT The Commission approves the request to waive the guestbook requirements for October 31, 2014 & November 29, 2014.
- 24. **SHERMAN, LINDA LIC.1917**The Commission approves the request to waive the guestbook requirements for November 26 & 27, 2014 and February 21, 2015.
- 25. **COCCHIOLA, DAVID SR LPC.174** Waterbury Elks, Waterbury, CT The Commission approves the request to waive the guestbook requirements for November 2, 2014.
- 26. **WARSTEINER IMPORTERS AGENCY LSB-571** West Chester, OH The Commission is notified of corporate officer changes: Removal of Stephen Eilers as President, withdraw Alfons Rediker as Director; elect Martin Hotzel as new President and Director.

Adjourned at 9:10 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

John Suchy Director of Liquor Control rd