

DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER PROTECTION

LIQUOR CONTROL DIVISION

MINUTES

MEETING PLACE: Commission Meeting Room - Room 124

MEETING DATE: January 14, 2010 – 8:30 a.m.

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

STAFF PRESENT: John Suchy, Director of Liquor Control
Elisa Nahas, Legal Counsel
Mary Ellen Gillon, Paralegal Specialist 2
(8:30 a.m. – 8:37 a.m.)
Douglas Deveny, Secretary

HEARINGS - Mary Ellen Gillon:

1. **RAMADANI, LJATIF - LCA.6819** Barca, Danbury, CT
Remove from hearings; remonstrance withdrawn. 2009-5472
2. **VRAKAS, PHILIP - LIR.15587** Amici Italian Grill, Avon, CT
Remove from hearings; fire marshal form received. 2009-6187
3. **TRIFONE, CYNTHIA R. - LIR.16945** Rustica, Woodstock, CT
Remove from hearings; fire marshal form received. 2009-6188
4. **LEVY, FRANK - LRB.1768** Pizza Hut, Brookfield, CT
Remove from hearings; fire marshal form received. 2009-6197
5. **CUMMINGS, ROBIN - LIR.17221** Little Joe's, Bridgeport, CT
Commission accepts offer in compromise in lieu of hearing of 6 days and
\$1,500 for incident of 3/20/09. 2009-2953
6. **RUSSELL, GEORGE R. - LGB.14220** George's Deli, Bridgeport, CT
Commission accepts offer in compromise in lieu of hearing of 3 days and
\$1,250 for incident of 3/26/09. 2009-4627
7. **FOURNIER, JAMES - LIR.14915** Meadow Land Restaurant, New Britain, CT

After compliance meeting, commission accepts offer in compromise in lieu of hearing of 3 days, \$750, maintain dining room seating for 20 and comply with food requirements for restaurant permit, for incident of 2/2709.

8. **DAMIEN, JOHN U. - LIP.12688** International Wine Shop, Westport, CT
After compliance meeting, commission would accept offer in compromise in lieu of hearing of 5 days and \$1,500 for incident of 8/25/08, both to be held in abeyance for 6 months. If, during that 6-month abeyance period, there are no new allegations or incidents regarding a sale of alcohol to a minor, then the Commission will take no further action on the charge that is the subject of the offer in compromise. 2009-578
9. **BARRANCO, LEANDRO - LIR.17401** El Tapatio, New Haven, CT
After compliance meeting, commission takes no further action on incident of 6/13/09. 2009-4983
10. **KURDUKAR, PRASANNA - LCA.6883** Madeira Bar & Lounge, Stamford, CT
After compliance meetings, commission would accept 3 days and \$1,000 for incidents of 3/1/09 and 5/23/09. 2009-2856 and 2009-4623

PROVISIONAL PERMITS:

11. **ROSARIO, JAHAIRA E. – LGB.14454** Mini Rite Grocery, Bridgeport, CT
Commission approves to issue provisional permit upon receipt of stipulated agreement, \$500 fee, cancel old permit LGB.12114, bill of sale, seller's affidavit. Commission approved request to waive COD requirement for provisional permit.
12. **XIAO, YI Z – LRW.4719** Sushi House, Rocky Hill, CT
Commission approves to issue provisional permit upon receipt of stipulated agreement, \$500 fee, cancel old permit LRW.4639, seller's affidavit, executed copy of sales agreement, menu, copy of sales tax permit, sketch with dimensions.
13. **ANCONA, MITCHELL N. – LIP.14641** Ancona's Wine & Liquors, Wilton, CT
Commission took no action; returned to agent.
14. **FORD-MILLER, MEREDITH J. – LIP.14645** Wilton, CT
Commission took no action; returned to agent.
15. **SONG, DONG SHIN – LIP.14655** Bahana Liquors, Wilton, CT
Commission took no action; returned to agent.
16. **SHERMAN, EDWARD J. JR. – LIP.14654** Wilton Liquors, Wilton, CT
Commission took no action; returned to agent.

17. VELAZQUEZ, MARISOL – LGB.14483 Carbajal Mini-Market, Waterbury, CT
Commission approves to issue provisional permit upon receipt of stipulated agreement, \$500 fee, town clerk certification. Commission approved request to waive COD requirement for provisional permit.

18. SANGUT, JOSIP – LIR.18055
Crazy Joe's Lafayette Café & Gallery, Bridgeport, CT
Commission approves to issue provisional permit upon receipt of stipulated agreement, \$500 fee if appropriate, sketch with dimensions. Endorse service bar only. Commission approved request to waive COD requirement for provisional permit.

19. RYAN, STEPHEN W. – LRW.4697 Backstage Pizza Café, West Hartford, CT
Commission approves to issue provisional permit upon receipt of stipulated agreement, \$500 fee, health certificate. Commission approved of unisex bathroom due to hardship letter received. Commission approved request to waive COD requirement for provisional permit.

20. PATEL, NIKITA P. – LIP.14666 Super 66 Liquors, Plantsville, CT
Commission approves to issue provisional permit upon receipt of stipulated agreement, \$500 fee, cancel old permit LIP.14443, bill of sale, seller's affidavit, executed copy of lease. Commission approved request to waive COD requirement for provisional permit.

21. GRILLO, SPENCER A. – LIP.14662
Uncle Dan's Wine Beer & Booze, Putnam, CT
Commission approves to issue provisional permit upon receipt of stipulated agreement, \$500 fee, cancel old permit LIP.14275, bill of sale, seller's affidavit, executed copy of lease, copy of sales and use tax permit. Commission approved request to waive COD requirement for provisional permit.

22. ZHENG, XING XING – LRW.4720 New Sushi Express LLC, West Haven, CT
Commission approves to issue provisional permit upon receipt of stipulated agreement, \$500 fee. Endorse service bar only. Commission approved request to waive COD requirement for provisional permit.

23. PATEL, RAJIV – LIP.14664 Rooney's Package Store, Old Lyme, CT
Commission approves to issue provisional permit upon receipt of stipulated agreement, \$500 fee, cancel old permit LIP.13688, bill of sale, seller's affidavit, sketch, copy of sales tax permit. Commission approved request to waive COD requirement for provisional permit.

24. FRIEDMAN, MICHAEL A. – LIR.18053 The Goose, Darien, CT

Commission approves to issue provisional permit upon receipt of stipulated agreement, \$500 fee, health certificate, 8x10 interior photos. Endorse patio. Commission approved request to waive COD requirement for provisional permit.

- 25. PAULINO, GERARDO – LGB.14482** Paulino Grocery, Hartford, CT
Commission approves to issue provisional permit upon receipt of stipulated agreement, \$500 fee, cancel old permit LGB.12215, bill of sale, seller's affidavit, executed copy of sales agreement, copy of sales tax permit, financial affidavit. Commission approved request to waive COD requirement for provisional permit.
- 26. COAN, STEPHEN J. – LCA.7153** Stephanie's Sports Bar & Grill, Bristol, CT
Commission approves to issue provisional permit upon receipt of stipulated agreement, \$500 fee, health certificate, copy of sales and use tax permit. Endorse patio. Commission approved request to waive COD requirement for provisional permit.
- 27. PATEL, AJAYKUMAR H. – LIP.14668** Park Liquor Store, West Haven, CT
Commission approves to issue provisional permit upon receipt of stipulated agreement, \$500 fee, cancel old permit LIP.14345, bill of sale, seller's affidavit, executed copy of sales agreement, sketch, articles of organization and proof of filing with secretary of states office, copy of sales tax permit. Commission approved request to waive COD requirement for provisional permit.
- 28. LIN, YONG – LRW.4717** Asian Village, Trumbull, CT
Commission approves to issue provisional permit upon receipt of stipulated agreement, cancel old permit LRW.4050, bill of sale, seller's affidavit, copy of \$10,000 loan.

PROVISIONAL PERMIT EXTENSIONS:

- 29. RONDON, MARIA – LIR.17997.P.CW** Mambo Bar & Restaurant, New London, CT
Commission approved to extend provisional permit.
- 30. TARQUINO, GARY JR. – LFC.45.P.CW** Sports Haven, New Haven, CT
Commission approved to extend provisional permit.
- 31. TARQUINO, GARY JR. – LFR.45.P.CW** Sports Haven, New Haven, CT
Commission approved to extend provisional permit.
- 32. TARQUINO, GARY JR. – LFG.39.P.CW** Sports Haven, New Haven, CT
Commission approved to extend provisional permit.

33. **TARQUINO, GARY JR. – LFB.132.P.CW** Sports Haven, New Haven, CT
Commission approved to extend provisional permit.

FINALS:

34. **EXCLUSIVE ESTATES WINE GROUP LLC – LSW.526** Black Stallion Winery, Napa, CA
Commission approved to issue final permit.
35. **PEREZ, JESUS M. – LIP.14612** Monte Carlo Liquor, Danbury, CT
Commission approves to issue final permit when in receipt of abandonment affidavit, complete sections E30 & F32, sign application as backer, disclaimer for Mr. Novo.
36. **KOZUBAL, PAUL – LCA.7075** Club Ibiza LLC, Berlin, CT
Commission approves to issue final permit when in receipt of seller's affidavit, 8x10 photos of exterior and interior, bill of sale, permit LCA.6520 for cancelation AFTER resolution of 2009-5826.
37. **NALAMADA, NEELIMA R. – LIP.14640** Top Shelf Wine & Liquors, South Windsor, CT
Commission approves to issue final permit when in receipt of LIP.13313 for cancelation, bill of sale, seller's affidavit, executed copy of lease for Manicorp Inc.
38. **BOZZI, GREGORY G. – LCT.278** Corporate Caterers LLC, Branford, CT
Commission approved to issue final permit.
39. **LESPERANCE, GREGORY J. – LCT.277** Connecticut Expo Center, Hartford, CT
Commission approved to issue final permit.
40. **ROBLES, MIGUEL – LRW.4640** Cove Pizza Restaurant, Stamford, CT
Commission approves to issue final permit upon receipt of permit fee adjustment. Endorse no bar.
41. **GJURAJ, LUSHE – LCT.279** Spazzio Restaurant, Stamford, CT
Commission approved to issue final permit.
42. **NICOLAS ANTHIS – LRW.4700** Georgie's Diner LLC, West Haven, CT
Commission approves to issue final permit upon return of CSBI check (Agent Anderson to forward CSBI to Mr. Mindek upon receipt). Endorse no bar.

43. **KLINGER, LISA K. – LGB.14442** The Fresh Market of CT Inc, Westport, CT
Commission approved to issue final permit.
44. **CRUZ, ADALBERTO JR. – LCA.7091** The Greek Café, Hartford, CT
Commission approves to issue final permit upon receipt of publication notice, zoning approval, town clerk, permit LCA.5462 for cancellation, seller's affidavit, bill of sale, executed copy of lease, CT sales and use tax, 8x10 photos of exterior and interior, \$250 fee adjustment.

OTHER:

45. **OLSSON, MICHAEL D. – LRW.4176** Happy's Restaurant, Norwich, CT
Commission approved request for removal from 30 Wedge Lane, Jewett City to 77 Salem Turnpike, Norwich. Endorse service bar only. Commission approved request for waiver of toilet facility requirement.
46. **MILICI, ANTHONY J. JR. – LIP.14592** Jakes Wine Cellar, Wallingford, CT
Commission approved request for transfer of interest and Marlinn Moran as substitute permittee.
47. **DELISEO, GINO M. – LIR.16262** Uncle D's Log Cabin, Lebanon, CT
Commission approved Robert Deliseo as substitute permittee.
48. **ISAACSON, HOWARD B. – LIH.1741-B** Mystic Hilton, Mystic, CT
Commission approved Brian McGrath as substitute permittee.
49. **ALTMANN, MELISSA L. – LIR.14629** Hot Tomato's, Hartford, CT
Commission approved Melissa L. Altmann as substitute permittee.
50. **PHOTOS, ROBERT A. – LCA.6492** Bobby Allen's Bar & Grille, Waterbury, CT
Assign to hearing; 30-39(b) fire marshal.
51. **MAHR-BATUZ, SASA – LCA.6777** Barcelona New Haven, New Haven, CT
Assign to hearing; 30-39(b) fire marshal.
52. **CURTIS, HOWARD – LIR.14069** Metro Grille, Shelton, CT
Assign to hearing; 30-39(b) fire marshal.
53. **MICELI, SYLVIA – LIR.14095** Franco's Pizza Restaurant, Cromwell, CT
Assign to hearing; 30-39(b) fire marshal.
54. **SALVARI, SILVIA – LIR.15740** Sylvia's International Restaurant, Enfield, CT
Assign to hearing; 30-39(b) fire marshal.
55. **ARBITO, JACINTO – LIR.16093** El Estadero Colombiano, Stratford, CT

Assign to hearing; 30-39(b) fire marshal.

56. **NIETO, IBES – LIR.17166** Lavijenita Bakery, Waterbury, CT
Assign to hearing; 30-39(b) fire marshal.

57. **DEMAYO, MICHAEL – LIR.17434** The Snickering Squirrel, Bridgeport, CT
Assign to hearing; 30-39(b) fire marshal.

58. **SAYYED, MARWAN – LRW.4004** Julian's Brick Oven Pizza, Bridgeport, CT
Assign to hearing; 30-39(b) fire marshal.

59. **PISCETELLO, ANTHONY – LRW.4393** Martello's Pizzeria, Canterbury, CT
Assign to hearing; 30-39(b) fire marshal.

60. **CHENG, WAFUNG – LRW.4512** Granby Chinese Restaurant, Granby, CT
Assign to hearing; 30-39(b) fire marshal.

61. **VORPERIAN, KHOSROV – LRW.4602** Town Line Pizzeria, Plainfield, CT
Assign to hearing; 30-39(b) fire marshal.

62. **LLOYD, DAVID G. – LIR.15159** Bertucci's Italian Restaurant, West Hartford, CT
LIR.15216 Bertucci's Italian Restaurant, Orange, CT
LIR.14698 Bertucci's Brick Oven Pizzeria, Westport, CT
LIR.15213 Bertucci's Italian Restaurant, Glastonbury, CT
LIR.15361 Bertucci's Italian Restaurant, Darien, CT
LIR.14594 Bertucci's Italian Restaurant, Newington, CT
LIR.15179 Bertucci's Italian Restaurant, Avon, CT
LIR.15643 Bertucci's Italian Restaurant, Waterbury, CT
LIR.14074 Bertucci's Italian Restaurant, Shelton, CT
LIR.15925 Bertucci's Italian Restaurant, Southington, CT
LIR.16613 Bertucci's Italian Restaurant, Danbury, CT
LIR.17724 Bertucci's Italian Restaurant, Manchester, CT

Commission approved transfer of stock that includes Bertucci's Restaurant Corp as backer and adds the following secured lenders as part of an approved debt for equity swap:

Sankaty Credit Opportunities III, L.P. 55.56%

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Approximately 90 Individual/Separate Shareholders 10.7%

CAMOFI Master LDC 8.6%

Golub Capital Partners Coinvestment Ltd. 8.1%

CAMOFI Master LDC 1.5%

RGIP, LLC 0.7%

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Adjourned at 9:56 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

John Suchy
Director of Liquor Control
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