

**STATE OF CONNECTICUT**  
**DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER PROTECTION**  
**LIQUOR CONTROL DIVISION**

**MINUTES**

MEETING PLACE: Commission Meeting Room – Room 124

MEETING DATE: November 19, 2015 – 11:00 a.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Angelo J. Faenza, Liquor Control Commissioner  
David A. Scribner, Liquor Control Commissioner

STAFF PRESENT: Elisa Nahas, Legal Director  
John Suchy, Director of Liquor Control  
Caitlin Anderson, Staff Attorney  
Mary Ellen Gillon, Paralegal Specialist  
Richard Mindek, License and Applications Analyst  
Robin Densmore, Secretary 2

PUBLIC PRESENT: None

**HEARINGS – Mary Ellen Gillon:**

1. **AIUDI, EVO - LIC.1957** Italian American Club, West Haven  
Hold file an additional 30 days. 2015-733
2. **PUTTERBAUGH, MEGAN - LIC.2002** VFW Post 1672, New Milford  
Remove from hearings; fire marshal form received. 2015-1228
3. **MATHEWS, CHRISTOPHER - LIR.15071** North Country Restaurant, New Milford  
Remove from hearings; location under renovation; permit in voluntary suspension. 2015-1231
4. **QUADIR, FIRYAD - LGB.14986** Sunshine Deli, Bridgeport  
After compliance meeting, the Commission accepts an offer in compromise in lieu of hearing of 1 day and \$300 for incident of 9/8/15. 2015-969
5. **ARNOLD, SANDRA L. - LCA.5523** AJ's Oasis Café, Meriden  
After compliance meeting, the Commission would accept an offer in compromise in lieu of hearing of \$375 for incident of 9/10/15. 2015-1074

6. **ABOUCARA, AMAL - LGB.13399** Sam's Market, Meriden  
After compliance meeting, the Commission would accept an offer in compromise in lieu of hearing of 3 days and \$750, of which 2 days and \$250 would be held in abeyance for 6 months, for incident of 9/26/15. 2015-1125
7. **CERDA, MIGUEL A. - LIP.12614** Mikes Package Store, Milford  
After compliance meeting, the Commission would accept an offer in compromise in lieu of hearing of 20 days and \$6,000, of which 8 days and \$3,000 would be held in abeyance for 6 months, for incident of 9/25/15. 2015-973

PROVISIONAL PERMITS:

8. **HOFFMAN, HENRY J. - LIT.1850** Best Video Film & Cultural Center, Hamden  
The Commission approves the issuance of the provisional liquor permit upon receipt of stipulated agreement for provisional, \$500.00 fee, cancel permit # LIT.1814, bill of sale, seller's affidavit and copy of CT sales and use tax permit. The Commission approves the request allowing wholesalers to extend credit while operating with provisional permit.
9. **TURNER, CLARICE J. - LCA.7779** Starbucks #24865, Waterbury  
The Commission takes no action on the request for provisional. File assigned to agent.
10. **AWAN, JACOB - LIP.15346** Empire Wine & Liquor Superstore, Glastonbury  
The Commission takes no action on the request for provisional. File assigned to agent.
11. **BODDIE, STEVEN - LCA.7784** Stevie B's, West Haven  
The Commission approves the issuance of the provisional liquor permit upon receipt of stipulated agreement for provisional, copy of CT sales and use tax permit, 8x10 photo of the exterior of the proposed premises, to be taken from a position directly across the street or highway showing the trade name sign, and 8x10 photos of the completed and renovated interior. The Commission approves the request allowing wholesalers to extend credit while operating with provisional liquor permit.
12. **ALMEZEL, SAMER - LGB.15149** Daniel's Market, Ansonia  
The Commission approves the issuance of the provisional liquor permit upon receipt of stipulated agreement for provisional, \$500.00 fee, and abandonment affidavit. The Commission approves the request allowing wholesalers to extend credit while operating with provisional liquor permit.
13. **ISLAMI, FIAT - LRW.5213** Papa Al's Newtown, Newtown  
The Commission approves the issuance of the provisional liquor permit upon receipt of stipulated agreement for provisional and \$500.00 fee. The Commission approves the request allowing wholesalers to extend credit while operating with provisional liquor permit. Endorse patio.

14. **ZHU, YIN PING – LRW.5208** Ice & Fire Restaurant, Norwich  
The Commission approves the issuance of the provisional liquor permit upon receipt of stipulated agreement for provisional, \$500.00 fee, abandonment affidavit (to be correctly executed), and executed copy of lease or right to occupy, assignment of the current lease to the backer legal entity with landlord consent. The Commission approves the request allowing wholesalers to extend credit while operating with provisional liquor permit. Endorse service bar only.
15. **RIDOLFI, CLAUDIO – LCA.7781** Barrel House Restaurant, Stamford  
The Commission approves the issuance of the provisional liquor permit upon receipt of stipulated agreement for provisional, \$500.00 fee, cancel permit # LIR.18468, seller's affidavit, executed copy of lease or right to occupy executed assignment of the lease to the backer entity with landlord consent, copy of CT sales and use tax permit, 8x10 photo of the exterior of the proposed premises, to be taken from a position directly across the street or highway showing the trade name sign, and 8x10 photos of the completed and furnished interior. The Commission approves the request allowing wholesalers to extend credit while operating with provisional liquor permit.
16. **BRIGNOLE, TIMOTHY – LFW.91** Brignole Vinyards, East Granby  
The Commission approves the issuance of the provisional liquor permit upon receipt of stipulated agreement for provisional, \$500.00 fee, and proof that all brands have been registered and approved with the department. The Commission approves the request allowing wholesalers to extend credit while operating with provisional liquor permit.
17. **MCBRIDE, DAVID F. – LRW.5203** Smashburger, Manchester  
The Commission approves the issuance of the provisional liquor permit upon receipt of stipulated agreement for provisional, executed copy of lease or right to occupy for the proposed premises address, Copy of CT sales and use tax permit with the correct permit premises address, final Fire Marshal Approval, 8x10 photo of the exterior of the proposed premises, to be taken from a position directly across the street or highway showing the trade name sign, and 8x10 photos of the completed and furnished entire interior. The Commission approves the request allowing wholesalers to extend credit while operating with provisional liquor permit. Endorse service bar only.
18. **BARS, ALAIN – LCA.7782** Chez Vous Bistro, Stamford  
The Commission approves the issuance of the provisional liquor permit upon receipt of stipulated agreement for provisional, \$500.00 fee, executed copy of lease or right to occupy, copy of CT sales and use tax permit, 8x10 photo of the exterior of the proposed premises, to be taken from a position directly across the street or highway showing the trade name sign, and 8x10 photos of the competed and furnished interior. The Commission approves the request allowing wholesalers to extend credit while operating with provisional liquor permit.

PROVISIONAL PERMIT EXTENSIONS: None

FINAL PERMITS:

19. **TEQUILA PARTIDA LLC – LSL.1599** San Rafael, CA  
The Commission approves the issuance of the final liquor permit.
20. **OEDRA, SANJAY V. – LCA.7679** Himalaya Juice, Old Saybrook  
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, and 8x10 photos of the furnished interior.
21. **DURAN, EDUARD H. – LGB.15128** Edward Grocery, Hartford  
The Commission approves the issuance of the final liquor permit.

OTHER:

22. **VALDIVA, JOSE A. – LIR.17938** El Fogon Restaurant & Lounge, New Haven  
The Commission approves the transfer of interest resulting in Pedro L. Rivera having 100% ownership interest in Machu Picchu Restaurant Polleria LLC. The Commission approves Pedro L. Rivera as the new substitute permittee.
23. **GINEWSKY, JAY H. – LCT.3** Whisk (The), Granby  
The Commission approves the transfer of stock resulting in Jay H. Ginewsky having 500 shares (10%) and Sarah Cowles-Gentile having 4500 shares (90%) of stock in The Whisk Inc.
24. **HARPALDAS, PAHLAJ – LIP.15271** Capital Spirits, Hartford  
The Commission approves the transfer of interest resulting in Pahlaj Harpaldas having 50% ownership interest and Rishi G Sachdeva having 50% ownership interest in Capitol Spirits LLC.
25. **MCCRORY, BRYAN DOUGLAS – LIR.17389** Chili's Grill & Bar, Newington  
The Commission approves the transfer of stock resulting in new backers: Pepper Dining Holding Corp. and Brinker International.
26. **POLIDORO, MATTHEW CHARLES – LIR.19088** Goose American Bistro & Bar (The), Darien  
The Commission approves Michael E. Gagliardi as the new substitute permittee.
27. **PALMA, ELMER – LRW.5081** Chaparro's Latin Family Restaurant, Danbury  
The Commission approves Rosaly Ventura Noesi as the new substitute permittee.
28. **COURCHESNE, WILLIAM CONRAD – LIP.13974** KH&H Liquors, Enfield  
The Commission approves William Conrad Courchesne as the new substitute permittee.

29. **DIDOMENICO, SALVATORE – LPC.269** Generale Ameglio Club, New Britain  
The Commission approves Salvatore Didomenico as the new substitute permittee.
30. **ZELEPOS, CHRISTOS – LRW.3262** Mystic Pizza, Groton  
The Commission approves Christos Zelepos as the new substitute permittee.
31. **WILLIAMS, RICHARD FROST – LIR.16757** 99 Restaurant & Pub, Groton  
The Commission approves Richard Frost Williams as the new substitute permittee.
32. **EVILIA, WALTER A. – LIR.17063** Sans Souci Restaurant, Meriden  
The Commission approves Walter A. Evilia as the new substitute permittee.
33. **CASEY, CULLEN – LCA.7702** Blue Plate Tavern, Plainville  
The Commission approves Cullen Casey as the new substitute permittee.
34. **PIERCE, C.DENNIS – LIU.33** University of Connecticut, Storrs  
The Commission is notified and approves the use of permit #LIU.33 on November 17, 2015 from 6:30-8:00pm in the Benton East Gallery.
35. **SHERMAN, LINDA – LIC.1917** BPOE 1893, Manchester  
The Commission approves the request to waive the guestbook requirements for November 25 & 26, 2015 and February 20, 2016.
36. **JUREVICH SR, ALEX JOHN – LPC.174** Waterbury Elks, Waterbury  
The Commission approves the request to waive the guestbook requirements for November 29, 2015; January 17, 2016; February 7, 2016; March 17, 2016; April 17, 2016; December 18 & 31, 2016.
37. **SIGUENZA, VICENTE N. – LIR.19136** Harvest Wine Bar and Restaurant, New Haven  
The Commission approves the request to keep invoices stored off premises at the corporate office in Fairfield.

Adjourned at 11:45 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted,



John Suchy  
Director of Liquor Control  
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