

DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER PROTECTION

LIQUOR CONTROL DIVISION

MINUTES

MEETING PLACE: Commission Meeting Room - Room 124

MEETING DATE: January 27, 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. – 8:39 a.m.)
Lynn Fiore, Staff Attorney 3
(8:30 a.m. – 8:42 a.m.)
Douglas Deveny, Secretary

HEARINGS - Mary Ellen Gillon:

1. **LIVESEY, STEPHANIE - LCA.5820** Pavilion, Old Lyme, CT
Commission grants additional time until February 11, 2009, for filing briefs.
2008-4486, 2008-5448
2. **ROSARIO, JOSE - LGB.13491** Alexa Grocery, Norwalk, CT
Commission grants Attorney Aponte's request for a continuance. 2008-6971,
6969, 10444, 10277
3. **FARRAH, ROMMERRO - LIR.17459** Alchemy, New Haven, CT
Commission grants Attorney Carta's request for a continuance. 2008-1449
4. **BARTLEY, BRENDA - LIC.2179** Branford Elks, Branford, CT
Commission grants Attorney Errante's request for continuance. 2008-2861
5. **SHEHADA, GOUZAIF - LGB.13079** Caribe Grocery, Bridgeport, CT
Commission grants Mr. Shehada's request for a continuance. 2008-5421

6. **REAL, CLAUDIA - LIR.17116** O Camelo, Hartford, CT
Remove from hearings; fire marshal form received. 2008-12397

DISCUSSION:

7. **SINNI, STEVEN F. – LIR.14402** Chips Pub III Restaurant, Clinton, CT
Commission accepts 1 day suspension and \$3000 fine to resolve alleged
11/15/08 violation of 30-86 (minor).

PROVISIONAL PERMIT:

8. **VUMBACK, FRANK E. – LIR.17850** Country Squire Restaurant, Killingworth, CT
Commission approves to issue provisional permit upon receipt of stipulated
agreement, \$500 fee, and fire marshal approval. Commission approved
request to waive COD requirement for provisional permit.

9. **MAU, MING YIN L. – LIR.17849** Comfort Café LLC, Old Saybrook, CT
Commission approves to issue provisional permit upon receipt of stipulated
agreement, \$500 fee, health certificate, zoning approval signature.
Commission approved request to waive COD requirement for provisional
permit.

10. **DONOSO, LINA M. – LGB.14360** Maximo Deli & Grocery, Norwalk, CT
Commission takes no action; returned to agent.

11. **ROBLES, MIGUEL – LRW.4640** Cove Pizza Restaurant, Stamford, CT
Commission approves to issue provisional permit upon receipt of stipulated
agreement, \$500 fee, cancel old permit LRW.4357, bill of sale, seller's
affidavit, health certificate, amend section 'J' to include New York Liquor
permit. Complete ACB applications (2), pay \$300 fee and obtain commission
approval PRIOR to use of ACB. Commission approved request to waive
COD requirement for provisional permit.

12. **GAZZOLA, JOHN B. – LCA.7014** Butterfield 8 Restaurant & Lounge, Stamford, CT
Commission approves to issue provisional permit upon receipt of stipulated
agreement, \$500 fee, seller's affidavit or abandonment affidavit. Complete
ACB applications (2), pay \$300 fee and obtain commission approval PRIOR
to use of ACB. Commission approved request to waive COD requirement for
provisional permit.

13. **SILEO, MARIA L. – LGB.14352** J&M Convenience, Stamford, CT
Commission takes no action; returned to agent.

14. **FREEHILL, JOHN – LIP.14535** Darien Liquor Store, Darien, CT

Commission approves to issue provisional permit upon receipt of stipulated agreement, \$500 fee, cancel old permit LIP.14149, bill of sale, seller's affidavit, health certificate, sales tax verification. Commission approved request to waive COD requirement for provisional permit.

15. SALVATORE, BENNETT L. - LIR.17846

Bennett's Steak & Fish, Stamford, CT

Commission approves to issue provisional permit upon receipt of stipulated agreement, \$500 fee, cancel old permit LIR.14875, bill of sale, seller's affidavit, health certificate, sketch of lower level – including restrooms. Commission approved request to waive COD requirement for provisional permit. Endorse patio.

16. RANDHAWA, GURMINDER – LCA.7028

Taj Palace, Danbury, CT

Commission approves to issue provisional permit upon receipt of stipulated agreement, \$500 fee, health certificate, abandonment affidavit, complete section 'C' of application, complete personal history form for Gurminder, proof of funding. Commission approved request to waive COD requirement for provisional permit.

17. WHITLOCK, JAY A. – LIR.17832

Whitlock's Restaurant, Bethel, CT

Commission approves to issue provisional permit upon receipt of stipulated agreement, \$500 fee, seller's affidavit or abandonment affidavit, proof right of occupancy for backer LLC, complete application (sections J1 through J3). Commission approved request to waive COD requirement for provisional permit.

18. TEJADA, ELVIS R. – LCA.7041

Passion Night Club, Hartford, CT

Commission approves to issue provisional permit upon receipt of stipulated agreement, \$500 fee, cancel old permit LCA.6231, Bill of sale, seller's affidavit, executed copy of sales agreement, health certificate, copy of promissory note for \$150,000, bank letter for \$10,000, fee of \$300 for 2 ACB and commission approval PRIOR to use of ACB's, LLC documents (articles of organization filed with Secretary of State's office), CT sales and use tax certificate. Commission approved request to waive COD requirement for provisional permit.

FINAL PERMITS:

19. BURGESS CELLARS INC – LSW.435

Saint Helena, CA

Commission approved to issue final permit.

20. FLORIDIA, LISA – LIR.17800 Vinnie's Saybrook Fish House, Old Saybrook, CT

Commission approves to issue final permit upon receipt of publication notice, seller's affidavit, cancel old permit LIR.17004.

21. **REINKE, WILLIS A. JR. – LIR.17770.P**
Olive Garden Restaurant #1776, North Haven, CT
Commission approves to issue final permit upon receipt of publication notice.
22. **GERASIMOV, SERGEI A. – LIP.14509.P**
Maple & Main Liquors, East Hartford, CT
Commission approves to issue final permit upon receipt of publication notice.
23. **GORDON, WASHINGTON E. – LIC.2218**
Yellow Bird Social Club, Bridgeport, CT
Commission approves to issue final permit upon receipt of proof (8x10 photos) of proper separation between bar room and club meeting room.
24. **SCALESE, ANDREA – LIR.17713.P** Full Harvest, Beacon Falls, CT
Commission approves to issue final permit upon receipt of photos (8x10) of furnished interior.
25. **LOPEZ, CRESCENCIO – LIP.14496** Robert's House of Liquors, Hartford, CT
Commission approves to issue final permit upon receipt of publication notice, bill of sale, seller's affidavit, copy of lease to backer LLC, cancel old permit LIP.14116.
26. **SORRENTINO, ANDREW – LCA.7017** Matteo's, Stamford, CT
Commission approves to issue final permit upon receipt of health certificate, proof (8x10 photos) of proper separation between bar room and dining room, equipment list, cancel old permit LIR.17702. Endorse patio.
(NOTE: overpaid – will request refund).
27. **BETTIGOLE, MICHELLE R. – LIR.17747**
The Watermark at East Hill, Southbury, CT
Commission approves to issue final permit upon receipt of completed application (sections J1 through J3), articles of organization for LLC, equipment list, personal history and release for David Barnes. Endorse patio.
28. **GHETIYA, NISHA A. – LIP.14475** Village Spirits & Occasion, Tolland, CT
Commission approves to issue final permit upon receipt of bill of sale, seller's affidavit, proof of source of \$165,000 in checking account, completed personal history form for Ghettya Vallabndas, completed application and complete personal history form for applicant, alien registration card for applicant.

OTHER:

29. **RODRIGUEZ, ROSA M. – LIP.14508.P**
Echo Lake Wine & Liquor, Watertown, CT

Commission approved request to waive COD requirement for provisional permit.

30. **EDDY, SHAWN A. – LIR.17154** Emperor Restaurant and Lounge, Hartford, CT
Assign to hearing; 30-55a.
31. **BARONE, BIAGIO C. – LIR.16990** Biogio's Osteria, Stratford, CT
Commission approves request to endorse permit with permanent extension of use.
32. **KOPEL, LEE – LIR.14575** Seaside Tavern, Stamford, CT
Commission approves request to endorse permit with permanent extension of use and patio.
33. **LEE, DERRICK J. – LCA.6888** Market, Stamford, CT
Commission approves request for transfer of interest.
34. **LONERO, SALVATORE J. – LIR.14632** Lena's Restaurant, South Windsor, CT
Commission approves request for transfer of stock.
35. **JOSSEM, NICHOLAS B. – LCA.6042** Skybox Café, Fairfield, CT
Commission approves request for transfer of interest when in receipt of financial affidavit or copies of finances used.
36. **STRINGHAM, LINDA J. – LCM.46** Bridgeport Arena, Bridgeport, CT
Commission approves request for transfer of stock.
37. **STRINGHAM, LINDA J. – LCC.44** Bridgeport Arena, Bridgeport, CT
Commission approves request for transfer of stock.
38. **STRINGHAM, LINDA J. – LCM.42** Ball Park at Harbor Yard, Bridgeport, CT
Commission approves request for transfer of stock.
39. **STRINGHAM, LINDA J. – LCC.42** Ball Park at Harbor Yard, Bridgeport, CT
Commission approves request for transfer of stock.
40. **HULTEN, MATTHEW P. – LCA.6684** Corleone's, Willimantic, CT
Commission approves Ryan D. Smithwick as substitute permittee.
41. **SULLIVAN, MARTIN V. – LPC.242** Norwalk AERIE #588 FOE, Norwalk, CT
Commission approves Thomas Rondello as substitute permittee.
42. **SPARKS, ROBERT E. JR. – LIR.17366** Green Woods Country Club, Winchester, CT
Commission approves Scott Mattiello as substitute permittee.

43. **BAKER, BRIAN M. – LIR.17217** Texas Roadhouse, Manchester, CT
Commission approves Joseph (Ernie) Richards as substitute permittee.
44. **FLYNN, JOHN G. – LPC.186** Greenwich Country Club, Greenwich, CT
Commission approves Guy Dambros'o as substitute permittee.
45. **WILSON, CRAIG – LIR.17374** Stadium Sports Bar & Grill, Mashantucket, CT
Commission approves Edward Nichols as substitute permittee.
46. **TILDEN, WILLIAM F. – LIC.2088** Rockville Lodge of Elks 1359, Vernon, CT
Commission approves Daniel O'Brien North as substitute permittee.
47. **MARCELLO, LAUREN – LCA.6385** Lakeside Café LLC, Danbury, CT
Commission approves William R. Marcello as substitute permittee.
48. **COREY, ARTHUR E. JR. – LIC.1783** Elks Lodge #574, Putnam, CT
Commission approves Gary Benard as substitute permittee.
49. **MARINO, TERRIE – LIR.17776** Cabo Tequila Grill, Chester, CT
Commission approves Shelley DeProto as substitute permittee.
50. **PICKETT, PATRICK – LIR.17479** Cheesecake Factory, West Hartford, CT
Commission approves Raymond W. Day as substitute permittee.
51. **MARTIN, MARY ANN – LPC.241** Bennino-Beck Post 2138 VFW Inc, Rocky Hill, CT
Commission approves Roy Robbins as substitute permittee.
52. **ITSOU, SAVAS – LIR.14147** Park Avenue Pizza Restaurant, Bloomfield, CT
Commission approves Stephen Itsou as substitute permittee.
53. **WANG, TOMASITA – LIR.14976** Shell Station Restaurant, Stratford CT
Commission approves Michael C. Vickerelli as substitute permittee.
54. **MORAN, CHARLES – LIH.1695-B** Holiday Inn, New London, CT
Commission approves Gina Kunst as substitute permittee.
55. **RAJAB, FAROUK – LIH.1545-B** Courtyard bu Marriott, Cromwell, CT
Commission approves Charles L. Moran as substitute permittee.
56. **LOPEZ, WILLIAM R. – LPC.256** American-Romanian Social Club, Bridgeport, CT
Commission approves George Showah as substitute permittee.
57. **LALUMIERE, VIVIAN I. – LPC.262** Norwich Lodge of Elks #430, Norwich, CT
Commission approves Michael D. Haynie as substitute permittee.

58. **PICCIRILLO, WILLIAM V, JR. – LCA.5173** One Eyed Pig, Newtown, CT
Assigned to hearing, section 30-6-A1(a), fire marshal certificate.
59. **CORDERO, PAUL – LCA.6393** Murphy's Law, Bridgeport, CT
Assigned to hearing, section 30-6-A1(a), fire marshal certificate.
60. **PHOTOS, ROBERT A. – LCA.6492** Bobby Allen's Bar & Grille, Waterbury, CT
Assigned to hearing, section 30-6-A1(a), fire marshal certificate.
61. **MCCLUSKEY, MALCOLM M. – LGC.44** River Oaks of Sherman Golf Club, Sherman, CT
Assigned to hearing, section 30-6-A1(a), fire marshal certificate.
62. **COHEN, JON E. – LIH.1640-C** Courtyard by Marriot at Yale, New Haven, CT
Assigned to hearing, section 30-6-A1(a), fire marshal certificate.
63. **TRUE, BRIAN – LIH-1707-B** Club at Beverly Hills Suites, Windsor Locks, CT
Assigned to hearing, section 30-6-A1(a), fire marshal certificate.
64. **SALVARI, SILVIA – LIR.15740** Sylvia's International Restaurant, Enfield, CT
Assigned to hearing, section 30-6-A1(a), fire marshal certificate.
65. **LANCASTER, KYLE – LIR.15762** Outback Steakhouse, Manchester, CT
Assigned to hearing, section 30-6-A1(a), fire marshal certificate.
66. **HALL, MARY F. – LIR.16561** Custy's International, North Stonington, CT
Assigned to hearing, section 30-6-A1(a), fire marshal certificate.
67. **CHOPP, CAROL M. – LIR.16702** TGI Friday's Waterbury, CT
Assigned to hearing, section 30-6-A1(a), fire marshal certificate.
68. **CHEN, JIA BIN – LIR.17367** Republic Grill, Stamford, CT
Assigned to hearing, section 30-6-A1(a), fire marshal certificate.
69. **RENALDI, NORMAN C. – LIR.17561** Clam's, Old Lyme, CT
Assigned to hearing, section 30-6-A1(a), fire marshal certificate.
70. **DEVENDITTIS, CANDACE J. – LIR.17568** Dev's on Bank Street, New London, CT
Assigned to hearing, section 30-6-A1(a), fire marshal certificate.
71. **HU, JUAN JOANN – LRW.3912** Natori Shushi Restaurant, Manchester, CT
Assigned to hearing, section 30-6-A1(a), fire marshal certificate.
72. **SINCLAIR, FRED III – LRW.4210** Fred's Brick House Café, Willimantic, CT

Assigned to hearing, section 30-6-A1(a), fire marshal certificate.

73. **WAKSENBOIM, ALAIN M. – LRW.4292** Gyro Grill, Fairfield, CT

Assigned to hearing, section 30-6-A1(a), fire marshal certificate.

74. **YANG, SIN FEI – LRW.4310** Asia Buffett Restaurant, Hartford, CT

Assigned to hearing, section 30-6-A1(a), fire marshal certificate.

75. **CHENG, WAFUNG – LRW.4512** Granby Chinese Restaurant, Granby, CT

Assigned to hearing, section 30-6-A1(a), fire marshal certificate.

Adjourned at 9:23 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Gerald C. Langlais
Administrator of Liquor Control
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