

**May 27, 2025
9200 Basil Court
Largo, MD 20774
Virtual Hearing**

Present:

Oretha Bridgwaters-Simms, Chair
Armando Camacho, Vice Chair
Tammie Norman, Commissioner
Tammy Sparkman, Commissioner
Dennis Smith, Commissioner
Jason DeLoach, Esquire, Counsel
Terence Sheppard, Director
Robert Clark, Chief Liquor Inspector
Leonard Vauss, Deputy Chief Liquor Inspector
Christian Mendoza, Deputy Chief Liquor Inspector
Patricia Bell, Administrative Manager
Katrice James, Administrative Aide
Ariana Posada-Mejia, Administrative Aide
Keyanna Little, Administrative Aide
Alecia Hughes, Assistant to the Director

Start Time: 10:06 a.m.

Commissioner Bridgwaters-Simms: At the Board of License Commissioners, we endeavor to be as efficient as possible in our virtual environment. Thank you for your patience. This is a public meeting subject to the Maryland Open Meetings Act so a truthful, transparent, open, and honest dialogue and record is required. As such, there are some formalities that will take place that may appear redundant but nonetheless are important and required to ensure compliance with the law.

Director Sheppard: During a typical hearing, there would be an exchange between the Board and the attorneys to exchange information as exhibits. Because this hearing is now virtual, we have implemented a 10-day rule to give those individuals here today, 10-days from today's date to add to the official record. I would ask that you email myself or the administrative staff of the BOLC. You may add information to the record long as it is information that has been discussed in this hearing.

PRELIMINARY MATTERS

1. Substitution of Corporate Officers application, **t/a Laurel Food Mart**, Class D(R), Beer and Wine, 9107 Marshall Avenue, Laurel, 20707, Hyung Chun Kim to serve as Assistant Secretary. Represented by **Robert Kim, Esquire**.

Mr. Kim states Ms. Kim is being added to the license to be the resident assistant secretary. There is an unanswered question on the affidavit regarding naturalization date and place. Ms. Kim states she was naturalized in Baltimore, MD and will later confirm the year to the Board.

Mr. Kim asked the standard questions typically used to qualify this type of application. The applicant was able to answer each question.

Commissioner Camacho moved to grant the Substitution of Corporate Officers to t/a Laurel Food Mart, seconded by Commissioner Norman.

After Board vote, the motion carries.

REGULAR SESSION

1. Dilsa Gumercinda Rosales Moscoso, President for a Class D(R), Beer and Wine for the use of El Tarro Bar & Grill, Inc., **t/a El Rancherito**, 6408 Kenilworth Avenue, Riverdale, 20737 transfer from El Rodeo Bar Restaurant, LLC, t/a El Rodeo Restaurant, 6258 Kenilworth Avenue, Riverdale Park, 20737, Martha Moscoso, Managing-Member. **Licensee has no attorney, knows her right to an attorney and agrees to move forward without an attorney.**

Chief Clark gave a maps presentation.

There Is no opposition for this case.

Ms. Rosales is here today to apply for a Beer and Wine License. She states that there is a new owner where she was currently at, and they are getting their own license for that location. She will be moving to El Rancherito. There are about 93 seats, and the hours of operation are from 9 am-10 pm. There's a variety of different soups, tacos, pupusas, quesadillas, baleadas, and empanadas. She will be on the premises full time. One other employee other than Ms. Rosales is Alcohol Awareness certified, she will be sending in the certificate to the Board. There are 4 total employees.

Commissioner Camacho makes a motion to amend the application to reflect the opening time to 9 am and closing time to 10 pm, 7 days a week, seconded by **Commissioner Norman**.

After Board vote, the motion carries.

Commissioner Camacho makes a motion to grant the Transfer of Location for El Rancherito, **seconded by Commissioner Norman**.

After Board vote, the motion carries.

TRANSFER

1. Jorge Menedez Colocho, Member-Manager, for a Class B, Beer, Wine and Liquor for the use of Trinity Grill and Bar, LLC, **t/a Café Tacuba**, 3010 Hamilton Street, Hyattsville, 20782 transfer from Trinity Grill and Bar, LLC, t/a Trinity Grill, 3010 Hamilton Street, Hyattsville, 20782, Hope Jones, Member-Manager, Gregory Jones, Member-Manager.
Licensee has no attorney, knows his right to an attorney and agrees to move forward without an attorney.

Director Sheppard states the Board has not yet received Background checks necessary to continue with this case. He requests that the Board continue this case until Background Checks are received.

The Board was previously informed about confusion regarding the background check. Mr. Colocho had previously submitted a BLX application for La Caverna. The Background Check should be on file.

Mr. Colocho is here to transfer his license. **Chair Bridgwater-Simms** asked the standard questions typically asked for the transfer of this license. The applicant was able to answer each question.

Mr Colocho states the hours of operation are 11am- 2am. The seating capacity was originally stated to be 80 seats but will now be 100.

Commissioner Camacho makes a motion to amend the seating capacity to 100, seconded by **Commissioner Norman**.

After Board vote, the motion carries.

Commissioner Camacho makes a motion to amend the application to reflect yes, he is a register voter of the state of Maryland and corrected the telephone number, seconded by **Commissioner Norman**.

After Board vote, the motion carries.

Commissioner Camacho makes a motion to grant the transfer for t/a Café Tacuba, seconded by **Commissioner Norman**.

After Board vote, the motion carries.

2. Vi Thi Hoang Cao, Member, for a Class D(on), Beer and Wine for the use of Capella Nail Bar, LLC, **t/a Capella Nail Bar**, 4501 B Mitchellville Road, Bowie, 20716 transfer from Capella Nail Bar, LLC, t/a Capella Nail Bar, 4501 B Mitchellville Road, Bowie, 20716, Tamkenny Nguyen, Member.

Licensee has no attorney, knows her right to an attorney and agrees to move forward without an attorney.

Ms. Cao is here to request that the license be transferred to her name as her husband who was the original license holder is deceased. She will be working full time. There are 12 seats in the establishment.

Chair Bridgwater-Simms asked the standard questions typically asked for the transfer of this license. The applicant was initially unable to identify the six forms of ID'S answer each question. After continuing the case, she was able to name the 6 acceptable forms of ID's.

Commissioner Camacho makes a motion to grant the transfer to t/a Capella Nail Bar, seconded by **Commissioner Norman**.

After Board vote, the motion carries.

3. Maniskumar C. Patel, Member-Manager, for a Class A, Beer, Wine, and Liquor for the use of 201 Beverages, LLC, **t/a 201 Drive-Thru Liquors**, 4221 Kenilworth Avenue, Bladensburg, 20710 transfer from Hee & Ryan, Inc., t/a 201 Drive-thru Liquors, 4221 Kenilworth Avenue, Bladensburg, 20710, Hee Ja Chun, President/Secretary/Treasurer. Represented by **Robert Kim, Esquire**.

Mr. Kim states Mr. Patel is Alcohol Awareness certified. He will be on the premises full time. He asked the standard questions typically used for the transfer of this license. The applicant was able to answer each question.

Commissioner Camacho makes a motion to grant the transfer to t/a 201 Drive Thru Liquors, seconded by **Commissioner Norman**.

After Board vote, the motion carries.

4. Nidhi Gaind, President/Secretary/Treasurer, for a Class D(R), Beer and Wine for the use of Triangle Beer, Wine and Convenience, Inc., **t/a Triangle Beer, Wine and Convenience**, 10400 Rhode Island Avenue, Beltsville, 20705 transfer from Triangle Beer, Wine and Convenience, Inc., t/a Triangle Beer, Wine and Convenience, 10400 Rhode Island Avenue, Beltsville, 20705, Sunita A. Gupta, President/Treasurer, Anil Gupta, Secretary.

Represented by **Justin McNery, Esquire**.

Mr. McNery asked the standard questions typically used for the transfer of this license. The applicant was able to answer each question. Ms. Gaind previously held a license for Southern Avenue Liquors for 5 years. Ms. Gaind plans to spend about 25-30 hours a week on the premises. There is a policy in place to card anyone that looks 35 and younger. All employees are Alcohol Awareness certified. There is a typo on page 2, question 4 of the application asking whether the area is zoned for alcoholic beverages. The answer is yes. There is also another typo whether the building is complete, the answer is yes.

Commissioner Camacho makes a motion to amend the application to reflect yes on the application for both questions, seconded by **Commissioner Norman**.

After Board vote, the motion carries.

Commissioner Camacho makes a motion to grant the transfer for t/a Triangle Beer, Wine and Convenience, seconded by **Commissioner Norman**.

After Board vote, the motion carries.

NEW – CLASS B(BLX), BEER, WINE AND LIQUOR

1. Brian N. Cannella, Authorized Person, John A. Wain, Authorized Person, Russell M. Reiter, Authorized Person, for a Class B(BLX), Beer, Wine, and Liquor for the use of Largo Senior Living, LLC, **t/a The Skybridge at Town Center**, 360 Sky Bridge Drive, Upper Marlboro, 20774. Represented by **Leanne Schrecengost, Esquire**.
Ms. Schrecengost has requested a continuance for this application due to background checks needing to be resubmitted.
Commissioner Camacho moves to continue the case for t/a The Skybridge at Town Center, seconded by **Commissioner Norman**.
After Board vote, the motion carries.

NEW – CLASS B(BH), BEER, WINE AND LIQUOR

1. Kenneth A. Cerf, Jr., Member/Authorized Person, Jeffrey Kolesar, Member/Authorized Person, Joseph A. Wellenbusher III, Member/Authorized Person, for a Class B(BH), Beer, Wine, and Liquor for the use of GBMD Associates, LLC, **t/a Residence Inn-Greenbelt**, 6320 Golden Triangle Drive, Greenbelt, 20770. Represented by **Leanne Schrecengost, Esquire**.
Chief Clark gave a maps presentation.
Ms. Schrecengost states there is an error in the application for the hours of operation. The hours should be from 11 am- 12 am not 11 am-11am.
Commissioner Camacho moves to amend the hours of operation to reflect 11am -12 am, seconded by **Commissioner Norman**.
After Board vote, the motion carries.
Ms. Schrecengost states that this establishment had a license previously. This hotel has 120 rooms with a dining room. No vertical ID'S will be accepted.
Ms. Schrecengost asked the standard questions typically asked to qualify this type of license. Both applicants were able to answer each question.
Katrice of the BOLC informed the Board of an error on the application regarding the applicant's financial interest. The question was answered no. It should be yes.
Commissioner Camacho makes a motion to amend the application to reflect yes on question 1 of the affidavit, seconded by **Commissioner Norman**.
After Board vote, the motion carries.
Commissioner Camacho makes a motion to grant the B(BH) license to t/a Residence Inn-Greenbelt, seconded by **Commissioner Norman**.
After Board vote, the motion carries.

NEW – CLASS B, BEER AND WINE

1. Gabriela Flores, President, for a Class B, Beer and Wine for the use of Taqueria Maria Bonita, LLC, t/a **Taqueria Maria Bonita**, 5612 Kenilworth Avenue, Riverdale, 20737. Represented by **Benjamin Carter, Esquire**.
Chief Clark gave a maps presentation.
Mr. Carter states this is a family-owned business that was opened in 2017. There are 5 employee's total. They specialize in slow cooked meats and tortillas. The applicant is Alcohol Awareness certified and two other employees will also be receiving training.
Mr. Carter asked the standard questions typically used for the approval of this license. The applicant was able to answer each question.
Commissioner Camacho makes a motion to grant the Class B, Beer and Wine license to t/a Taqueria Maria Bonita, seconded by **Commissioner Norman**.
After Board vote, the motion carries.
2. Aderemi Bello, Managing Member/Authorized Person for a Class B, Beer and Wine for the use of Crepes on Main, LLC, t/a **Crepes on Main**, 349 Main Street, Laurel, 20707. Represented by **Benjamin Carter, Esquire**.
Chief Clark gave a maps presentation.
Mr. Carter states there are two preliminary matters. The first is the hours of operation. They should be changed to Sunday-Thursday 8 am- 4 pm and Friday and Saturday 8 am- 8 pm.
Commissioner Camacho makes a motion to amend the application for hours of operation to reflect Sunday-Thursday 8 am- 4 pm and Friday and Saturday 8 am- 8 pm, seconded by **Commissioner Norman**.
After Board vote, the motion carries.
Mr. Carter states the second preliminary matter is on the exhibit book, the menu states there will be shakes, these shakes will not contain liquor in them in case the Board had any questions regarding those shakes.
Mr. Carter asks the standard questions typically used to grant the approval of this license. The applicant was able to answer each question.
Commissioner Norman requests to know the seating capacity of the establishment.
Mr. Carter informs the Board that there is an error on the application. The fire capacity is 60+ seats but there are only 14 seats within the establishment.
Commissioner Camacho motions to amend the application to show 14 seats instead of 60+, seconded by **Commissioner Norman**.
After Board vote, the motion carries.
Commissioner Camacho makes a motion to grant the Class B, Beer and Wine license to t/a Crepes on Main, seconded by **Commissioner Norman**.
After Board vote, the motion carries.

3. Shaoguo Li, Manager, for a Class B, Beer and Wine for the use of Hai Na Bai Chuan, LLC, t/a **Eastern Gourmet**, 8150 Baltimore Avenue, Suite D, College Park, 20740. **Licensee has no attorney, knows his right to an attorney and agrees to move forward without an attorney.**
- Chief Clark gave a maps presentation.**
- Mr. Li** states he is here to apply for a Beer and Wine license. His restaurant is for dining in and take out. He will be full time at the premises. There are 108 seats. The hours of operation are Sunday 11:30 am- 9:30 pm, Monday-Thursday 11 am- 9:30 pm, Friday and Saturday 11 am- 10 pm. This business has been opened since March 2024.
- Chair Bridgwater-Simms** asked the standard questions used to qualify this type of license. The applicant was able to answer each question.
- Commissioner Camacho** has a question regarding a General Use agreement with the City of College Park.
- Mr. Li** states an agreement has not been made. He will be contacting the City of College Park to see if an agreement is necessary.
- Commissioner Camacho** makes a motion to grant the Class B, Beer and Wine license to t/a Eastern Gourmet, seconded by **Commissioner Norman**.
- After Board vote, the motion carries.**

Adjourned: 11:58 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Ariana Posada-Mejia
Administrative Aide BOLC