September 23, 2025 9200 Basil Court Largo, MD 20774 Virtual Hearing

**Present:** 

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

Start Time: 10:02 a.m.

Commissioner Bridgwater-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

## **September 23, 2025**

1. Substitution of Corporate Officers application, t/a Shoppers Food Warehouse, Class D, Beer and Wine, 4720 Cherry Hill Road, College Park, 20740, Heather L. Cook to serve as President/Assistant Secretary instead of Jennifer J. Newport, President/Treasurer and Richard Stanley Taylor Jr. to serve as Treasurer instead of William A. Hauser, Secretary. Represented by Linda Carter, Esquire.

**Ms.** Carter states a corporate reorganization at shoppers has taken place. There is a policy to scan every customers' ID to ensure the age of 21 or older. There is no employee on the premises who is under the age of 21.

**Ms.** Carter asked the standard questions typically used to approve the Substitution of Corporate Officers application, including what the 6 acceptable forms of ID's are as well as the ages to sell and consume alcohol. Both applicants were able to answer each question.

**Commissioner Camacho** moves to approve the Substitution of Corporate Officers for t/a Shoppers Food Warehouse, seconded by **Commissioner Norman.** 

After Board vote, the motion carries.

- 2. Substitution of Corporate Officers application, t/a Buffalo Wild Wings (Laurel), Class B(BLX), Beer, Wine and Liquor, 14724 Baltimore Avenue, Unit 12, Laurel, 20707, Cassie Apple to serve as Assistant Secretary instead of Philip R. Rossi, Assistant Secretary. Represented by Linda Carter, Esquire.
- 3. Substitution of Corporate Officers application, t/a Buffalo Wild Wings (Capitol Heights), Class B(DD), Beer, Wine and Liquor, 1630 Ritchie Station Court, Capitol Heights, 20743, Cassie Apple to serve as Assistant Secretary instead of Philip R. Rossi, Assistant Secretary. Represented by Linda Carter, Esquire.
- 4. Substitution of Corporate Officers application, t/a Buffalo Wild Wings (College Park), Class B(BLX), Beer, Wine and Liquor, 10240 Baltimore Avenue, College Park, 20740, Cassie Apple to serve as Assistant Secretary instead of Philip R. Rossi, Assistant Secretary. Represented by Linda Carter, Esquire.

**Ms. Apple** will be replacing Mr. Rossi throughout states. She is a district manager and has been with the company since 2007. She ensures all businesses follow all local county mandates, all employees are Servsafe trained and follow a policy to renew every three years.

**Ms.** Carter asked the standard questions used to typically approve the Substitution of Corporate Officers application, including what the 6 acceptable forms of ID's are as well as the ages to sell and consume alcohol. The applicant was able to answer each question. **Commissioner Norman moves** to approve the Substitution of Corporate Officers applications for t/a Buffalo Wild Wings (Laurel), (Capitol Heights) and (College Park), seconded by **Commissioner Sparkman**.

After Board vote, the motion carries.

## **REGULAR SESSION**

## TRANSFER

 Balwinder Singh Chata, President, Secretary, and Treasurer, Melvin Haft, Assistant Secretary for a Class A, Beer, Wine and Liquor for the use of Othi Operating Corporation, t/a East Pine Liquors, 6801 Riverdale Road, Riverdale, 20737 transfer from Othi Operating Corporation, t/a East Pine Liquors, 6801 Riverdale Road, Riverdale, 20737, Mohinder Othi, President, Secretary, and Treasurer, and Melvin Haft, Vice President. Represented by Robert Kim, Esquire.

**Mr. Kim** states an amendment to the application is required. Item 7 on the affidavit for Mr. Chata needs to be changed. He Has been a licensee before at East Pine Liquors and Super Liquors. Mr. Haft's affidavit also needs to be amended. He has been a licensee before and there was a violation for a sale to minor in February 2023.

Commissioner Norman motions to grant the amendments, seconded by Commissioner Sparkman.

After Board vote, the motion carries.

Mr. Chata will spend about 40 hours a week on the premises. He is alcohol awareness certified. Mr. Chata is familiar with the Board's Rules and Regulations.

**Mr. Kim** asked the standard questions typically used to approve the transfer of this license, including what the 6 acceptable forms of ID's are as well as the ages to sell and consume alcohol. Both applicants were able to answer each question.

Commissioner Camacho motions to grant the transfer for the Class A, Beer, Wine and Liquor to t/a East Pine Liquors, seconded by Commissioner Norman.

After Board vote, the motion carries.

2. Aahishkumar S. Patel, Member-Manager, for a Class D, Beer and Wine for the use of Jai Krishna, LLC, t/a Dyson's General Store, 13706 Brandywine Road, Brandywine, 20613, transfer from My Dyson's Store, LLC, t/a Dyson's General Store, 13706 Brandywine Road, Brandywine, 20613, Donnell E. Singley, Member-Manager. Represented by Robert Kim, Esquire.

**Mr. Kim** states Mr. Patel would be spending full time on the premises, he is familiar with the Boards Rules and Regulations and is Alcohol Awareness Certified.

**Mr. Kim** asked the standard questions typically used to approve the transfer of this license, including what the 6 acceptable forms of ID's are as well as the ages to sell and consume alcohol. The applicant was able to answer each question.

**Commissioner Camacho** moves to approve the transfer of the Class D, Beer and Wine to t/a Dyson's General Store, seconded by **Commissioner Norman.** 

After Board vote, the motion carries.

Adjourned: 10:37 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Ariana Posada-Mejia Administrative Aide BOLC