

**February 24, 2026
9200 Basil Court
Largo, MD 20774
Virtual Hearing**

Present:

Oretha Bridgwaters-Simms, Chair
Armando Camacho, Vice Chair
Tammie Norman, 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
Keyanna Little, Administrative Aide
Ariana Posada-Mejia, Administrative Aide
Alecia Hughes, Assistant to the Director

Start Time: 10:01 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 as long as it is information that has been discussed in this hearing.

REGULAR SESSION

1. Kunjan B. Patel, Managing Member, **t/a Bowie Liquors**, located at 6910 Laurel Bowie Road, Bowie, 20715, for an alleged violation of Section 6-311, Purchase Alcoholic Beverages from other than a Wholesaler, of the Annotated Code of Maryland, and R.R. #11-Other than a Wholesaler, R.R. #26(A)(7)-Failure to Keep Records, R.R. #26(A)(15)-Failure to comply with Tax General Article of the Rules and Regulations for Prince George's County. Represented by Linda Carter, Esquire. Continued from January 14, 2026.

The Board assessed a \$4,500 fine. Ms. Carter requested ten days to submit a memorandum addressing the legal issue, noting that the entire matter arises from a single incident. She cited legal authority supporting the Board's ability to assess one \$1,500 fine, as this constitutes the business's first violation. The Board can only assess one \$1,500 fine since the violations all happened on the same day.

Board attorney DeLoach states the statute mandates one offense only if the Board is considering revocation and suspension. The statute makes no mention of there being any requirement that two or more violations on the same day be one offense. The Board is imposing another penalty, which is a fine, which allows the Board to issue three fines for the same 6 bottles.

Ms. Carter states you cannot read sections of Title 26 independently. There was no evidence from the ATC about Bowie Liquors not paying their taxes on the 6 bottles. That fine should be taken off and the Board should assess the fine of \$3,000 rather than \$4,500.

Commissioner Camacho states he made the motion citing the purchasing of Alcoholic Beverages on licensed premises from Other than a Wholesaler and the Records violation. There was no finding on the unpaid taxes. Bowie Liquors was fined \$1,500 for Other than a Wholesaler and \$3,000 for the records violation.

Commissioner Camacho motions to deny the reconsideration of the fine, seconded by **Commissioner Norman**.

After Board vote, the motion carries.

TRANSFER

1. **t/a The Lakelander**, Philice Cowan, Managing Member, Lawrence Brown, Managing Member, for a Class B(BLX), Beer, Wine and Liquor for the use of The Lakelander Group, LLC, located at 4656 Hotel Drive, College Park, 20742. Transfer from Steven Jennings, Managing Member, Corey Polyoka, Authorized Person, for the use of The Hall - CP Arts & Entertainment, LLC., t/a The Hall, located at 4656 Hotel Drive, College Park, 20740. Represented by **Linda Carter, Esquire**.

Ms. Carter states there will be no changes to the application. The licensees understand the Board's Rules and Regulations, and understand that if a violation occurred, they are responsible. Ms. Cowan and Mr. Brown are always on the premises. They overlap schedules and spend the entirety of their time working and improving their establishment. They have worked very closely with the City of College Park. They agreed to a property use agreement. They will continue to operate the way they have. Mr. Brown has worked on many events and Ms. Cowan has background in the restaurant business.

Ms. Carter asked the standard questions typically used to qualify this type of transfer, including what the 6 acceptable forms of I. D's are as well as the ages to sell and consume alcohol. Both applicants were able to answer each question.

Commissioner Camacho motioned to grant the transfer of the Class B, BLX license for t/a The Lakelander, seconded by **Commissioner Norman**.

After Board vote, the motion carries.

Both Transfers will be taken together since it is the same licensee.

2. **t/a Three Brothers Italian Restaurant**, Reagan Dahl, Managing Member, for a Class B(BLX), Beer, Wine and Liquor for the use of Surfing Goat Pizza Bladensburg, LLC, located at 4521 Kenilworth Avenue, Bladensburg, 20710. Transfer from Rita Repole, for the use of Three Brothers Italian Kitchen, Ltd., located at 4521 Kenilworth Avenue, Bladensburg, 20710. Represented by **Benjamin Carter, Esquire**.

3. **t/a Three Brothers Italian Restaurant**, Reagan Dahl, Managing Member, for a Class D, Beer and Wine for the use of Surfing Goat Pizza, LLC, located at 6160 Greenbelt Road, Greenbelt, 20770. Transfer from Laurie Repole, President, Patricia Repole, Secretary/Treasurer, for the use of Pizza the Italian Way Inc., located at 6160 Greenbelt Road, Greenbelt, 20770. Represented by **Benjamin Carter, Esquire**.

Mr. Carter states that Mr. Dahl acquired a number of businesses within the area and these are the only two with an alcoholic beverage license. He is an experienced restaurant operator. They don't anticipate there being an increase in alcoholic beverages sales within the establishment. Mr. Carter asked the standard questions used to qualify the transfer of both licenses, including what the 6 acceptable forms of I. D's are as well as the ages to sell and consume alcohol. The applicant was able to answer each question.

Commissioner Camacho motions to approve the transfer of both Class B, BLX for t/a Three Brothers Italian Restaurant Bladensburg license and Class D, Beer and Wine for t/a Three Brothers Italian Restaurant Greenbelt, seconded by **Commissioner Norman**.
After Board vote, the motion carries.

4. **t/a Mike Liquors**, Sarwan Singh, President, Harmeet Singh, Secretary, Fatehjeet Singh Sandhu, Assistant Recording Secretary, for a Class B+, Beer, Wine and Liquor, for the use of Mike's Liquors, Inc., located at 5301 Indian Head Highway, Oxon Hill, 20745. Transfer from Sheena Bajwa, President/Secretary/Treasurer, for the use of Mike's Liquors, Inc., t/a Mike's Restaurant and Liquors located at 5301 Indian Head Highway, Oxon Hill, 20745. Represented by **Benjamin Carter, Esquire**.
There will be no changes to the mode of operation. Mr. Carter asked the standard questions used to qualify the transfer of this license, including what the 6 acceptable forms of I. D's are as well as the ages to sell and consume alcohol. All applicants were able to answer each question. All applicants have read the Board's Rules and Regulations agreeing to abide by them. They understand that if any violation were to occur, they'd be responsible.

Commissioner Camacho motions to approve the transfer of the Class B+, Beer, Wine and Liquor to t/a Mike Liquors, seconded by **Commissioner Norman**.
After Board vote, the motion carries.

NEW – CLASS B, BEER, WINE AND LIQUOR

1. **t/a Leon's Grill & Bar**, Jasbir Singh, Managing Member/Owner/President, for a Class B, Beer, Wine and Liquor for the use of Leon's Grill & Bar, LLC, located at 4415 East-West Highway, Riverdale Park, 20737. Represented by **Michael Herman, Esquire**.
Chief Clark gave a maps presentation.
The town of Riverdale Park submitted a letter of support for this business.
Mr. Herman states this is an adaptive reuse of the building that is located in a very prominent location in Riverdale. It was previously a bank, abandoned for several years. The idea was to create a Salvadorean, Mexican cuisine restaurant. It has 78 seats. As part of the competition with other restaurants, they'd have to sell beer, wine and liquor. Mr. Singh is close to getting his final building permit. They're trying to finalize the lighting inspection. The anticipated buildout is 90 days from receiving the final permit.
Mr. Herman asked the standard questions used to qualify for this type of license, including what the 6 acceptable forms of I. D's are as well as the ages to sell and consume alcohol. Mr. Singh was able to answer each question.
Mr. Singh's intention is to have all of his staff members receive the Alcohol Awareness training as soon as his building is up and running.
Commissioner Camacho questions if Mr. Singh had been a licensee before for Red Rock Café in Gaithersburg, Maryland in 2012, which had a violation and was either surrendered or revoked.
Mr. Singh says the license was revoked in 2012 and he later sold the restaurant.
Mr. Herman states he was a part owner. An incident occurred when he became a part of the license. As a result, the Liquor Board was very concerned about the incident and Mr.

Singh decided he did not want to be a part of that location. He has since been in the food industry and has had no issues. He understands the Board's Rules and Regulations.

Mr. Herman asked the standard questions typically used to qualify this type of license, including what the 6 acceptable forms of I. D's are as well as the ages to sell and consume alcohol.

Chair Bridgwater-Simms questions how much time he will spend on the premises. Mr. Singh states he will be on the premises more than 40 hours a week.

Katrice James of the BOLC informs the Board that question 11 on his affidavit was not answered. The question being whether or not the applicant has read the Rules and Regulations.

Commissioner Camacho motions to amend the application to reflect yes on question 11 of the affidavit, seconded by **Commissioner Norman**.

After Board vote, the motion carries.

Commissioner Camacho motions to approve the Class B, Beer and Wine for t/a Leon's Bar & Grill, seconded by **Commissioner Norman**.

After Board vote, the motion carries.

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

1. **t/a Akira Ramen & Izakaya**, Lili Yang, Member, for a Class B(AE) Beer, Wine and Liquor for the use of Akira Ramen & Izakaya, LLC, located at 5334-6 Baltimore Avenue, Hyattsville, 20740. Continued from December 16, 2025. Represented by **Steven Curtis, Esquire on behalf of Chris Shin, Esquire.**

Chief Clark gave a maps presentation.

Mr. Curtis states this is a Japanese ramen restaurant. It is a franchise restaurant. Ms. Yang has been in the restaurant business for years. It is full-service restaurant concept, in a pretty new development. Many other establishments in the area offer alcoholic beverage services. She is familiar with the Board's Rules and Regulations and agrees to abide by them. She plans on spending 40 hours a week on the premises.

Mr. Curtis asked the standard questions typically asked to qualify for this type of license, including what the 6 acceptable forms of I. D's are as well as the ages to sell and consume alcohol. The applicant was able to answer each question.

Commissioner Camacho motions to grant the Class B(AE) Beer, Wine and Liquor for t/a Akira Ramen & Izakaya, seconded by **Commissioner Norman**.

After Board vote, the motion carries.

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

1. **t/a Blue Sunday Bar & Grill**, Wei Guang Chen, Sole Managing Member, for a Class B(BLX) Beer, Wine and Liquor for the use of BSBG of Greenbelt, LLC, located at 6076 Greenbelt Road, Greenbelt, 20770. Represented by **Eugene Mark Jr., Esquire.**

Mr. Mark stated the original Blue Sunday Bar & Grill started off 10-15 years ago. Mr. Chen was working in the business for 10 years and had the opportunity to open his own restaurant. It is an upscale restaurant, and he believes it will bring a boost to the economy in Prince George's county. It is a sit down, tablecloth standard. He will be working there

on a full-time basis. Mr. Chen will be the sole member. He has read the Boards Rules and Regulations and agrees to abide by them.

Mr. Mark asked the standard questions typically used to qualify for this type of license, including what the 6 acceptable forms of I. D's are as well as the ages to sell and consume alcohol. The applicant was able to answer each question.

Commissioner Smith questions what his affiliation has been with Blue Sunday Bar & Grill on Racetrack Road in Bowie, Maryland.

Mr. Chen states he was the manager at that location for about 10 years.

Commissioner Camacho motions to grant the Class B, BLX, Beer, Wine and Liquor to t/a Blue Sunday Bar & Grill, seconded by **Commissioner Norman**.

After Board vote, the motion carries.

2. **t/a Hungry Bowl Bowie**, Chang Jian Lin, Member, for a Class B(BLX) Beer, Wine and Liquor for the use of Hungry Bowl Bowie, LLC, located at 15207 Major Lansdale Blvd, Bowie, 20716. Represented by **Eugene Mark Jr., Esquire**.

Mr. Mark states Mr. Lin will be on a full-time basis. He will be the manager/supervisor of the operation. The concept of Hungry Bowl is Mongolian grill, Korean BBQ and Sushi. Mr. Lin's business is in full operation.

Mr. Mark asked the standard questions typically used to qualify for this type of license, including what the 6 acceptable forms of I. D's are as well as the ages to sell and consume alcohol. The applicant was able to answer each question.

Commissioner Camacho motioned to grant the Class B(BLX) Beer, Wine and Liquor license to t/a Hungry Bowl Bowie, seconded by **Commissioner Norman**.

After Board vote, the motion carries.

3. **t/a Another Broken Egg Café**, Adedeji Charles Olagunju, President/Secretary/Treasurer, for a Class B(BLX) Beer, Wine and Liquor for the use of OAC Restaurants Inc., located at 15904A Grain Highway, Brandywine, 20613. Represented by **Benjamin Carter, Esquire**.

Mr. Carter states Mr. Olagunju acquired the franchise rights in Prince George's County and Anne Arundel County. It is the first business he opens in the jurisdiction.

Exhibits have been submitted to the Board.

He has been open for 12 days, averaging about 200 tickets a day, but still losing about 20 customers a day by not having alcoholic beverages. He currently spends about 60 hours a week on the premises.

Mr. Carter asked the standard questions typically used to qualify this type of license, including what the 6 acceptable forms of I. D's are as well as the ages to sell and consume alcohol. The applicant was able to answer each question.

Commissioner Camacho motions to grant the Class B(BLX) Beer, Wine and Liquor license to t/a Another Broken Egg Café, seconded by **Commissioner Norman**.

After Board vote, the motion carries.

Adjourned: 11:21 a.m.

*Respectfully Submitted,
Ariana Posada-Mejia
Administrative Aide BOLC*