

1 BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT

2 NICK ALBERTI, BOARD MEMBER

3 JAMES SHORT, BOARD MEMBER

4 MIKE SILVERSTEIN, BOARD MEMBER

5 RUTHANNE MILLER, BOARD MEMBER

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7 ALSO PRESENT:

8 LOUISE PHILLIPS

9 MUHARI WOLDEMARIAM

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1 P R O C E E D I N G S

2 FACT FINDING HEARING

3 CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: The next case on
4 our calendar is case #16-CMP-00210, Green Island
5 Café Heaven, license #74503, will the parties
6 please approach and identify themselves for the
7 record, please?

8 MS. PHILLIPS: Good morning, Louise Phillips,
9 Assistant Attorney General for the District of
10 Columbia.

11 CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: Good morning, Ms.
12 Phillips.

13 MR. WOLDEMARIAM: My name is My name is
14 Muhari Woldemariam, owner of 2327 18th Street NW.

15 CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: Good morning, sir.
16 Can you also make sure that you sign your name on
17 that sheet, please? Ms. Phillips, are there any
18 preliminary matters in this case?

19 MS. PHILLIPS: No, Mr. Chair, there are not,
20 and if we could do a little housekeeping, I was
21 given two numbers in this file which I am
22 covering for Mr. Adams, and the 202 number --

1 202-667-4365 -- was given in the file as one of
2 the numbers which is a nonworking number.

3 MR. WOLDEMARIAM: It's the wrong one.

4 MS. PHILLIPS: It's not a good number?

5 MR. WOLDEMARIAM: No.

6 MS. PHILLIPS: And then I tried to call the
7 703-569-5926.

8 MR. WOLDEMARIAM: That's my house number.

9 MS. PHILLIPS: And there was no answer by a
10 person but the voicemail box was full so I could
11 not leave a message about this matter and discuss
12 this on behalf of Mr. Adams for a settlement, so
13 as long as we know that one of the numbers is
14 good then I feel comforted that ABRA has a good
15 number so if they need to reach him they can.

16 CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: Is there any
17 possibility that this matter could be settled if
18 you were to have a conversation now?

19 MS. PHILLIPS: Do you want?

20 MR. WOLDEMARIAM: I'm already here.

21 MS. PHILLIPS: I could take a minute to speak
22 after -

1 CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: Let me call -- is the
2 next case your case?

3 MS. PHILLIPS: I'm covering everything but --

4 CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: Well, let's take a
5 ten-minute break, a ten-minute recess, and maybe
6 you two can discuss this case and see if you can
7 come to some agreement. So, we'll be in a recess
8 for ten minutes.

9 MR. WOLDEMARIAM: Thank you.

10 MS. PHILLIPS: And you're going to call the
11 next case, is that what you said? Or take it
12 this instant?

13 CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: The next matter is a
14 pub crawl so they're going to take --

15 MS. PHILLIPS: The Custom Fuel case then.

16 CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: I know, but it's your
17 case also. Is that a case or is there -- or is
18 it --

19 MS. PHILLIPS: Ms. Schmidt has contacted this
20 person but she hasn't heard back. That's all I
21 know for Custom Fuel.

22 CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: Okay, this is --

1 they're also here, too.

2 MS. PHILLIPS: Good! I'll talk to all of
3 them.

4 CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: No, we'll take a ten-
5 minute break and recess so you can talk to both
6 folks and maybe we'll see what happens. Okay?
7 And then we'll do the fact finding hearing.

8 MS. PHILLIPS: Thank you.

9 CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: All right, so we'll be
10 in a recess for ten minutes.

11 We're back on the record with Case #16-CMP-
12 00210, Green Island Café Heaven, license #74503
13 will the parties again appear and identify
14 themselves for the record, please?

15 MS. PHILLIPS: Good morning, again, Louise
16 Phillips, Assistant Attorney General for the
17 District of Columbia.

18 CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: Good morning, Ms.
19 Phillips.

20 MR. WOLDEMARIAM: Muhari Woldemariam, owner
21 of Green Island Café Heaven.

22 CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: Good morning, Mr.

1 Woldemariam. Are there any preliminary matters
2 in this case, Ms. Phillips?

3 MS. PHILLIPS: Yes, Mr. Chair, the parties
4 have an offer in compromise to present to the
5 board. It's a \$500 fine to be paid in 60 days --

6 CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: It's always
7 interesting when you give the parties an
8 opportunity to speak. You never know what might
9 happen.

10 MS. PHILLIPS: -- the license will be
11 suspended if he doesn't pay in 60 days.

12 CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: I appreciate the fact
13 that -- the board appreciates the fact that the
14 parties have sat and discussed. We're not always
15 going to come to agreement but at least when the
16 parties have a chance to speak, then we never
17 know what might happen. All right, so Mr. -- and
18 I'm trying very --

19 MR. WOLDEMARIAM: Woldemariam.

20 CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: I'm looking at your
21 name and I'm -- so give me a -- it's not
22 intentionally that I butcher your name but Mr.

1 Woldemariam --

2 MR. WOLDEMARIAM: Yes -- good.

3 CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: All right, it's my
4 understanding that there is an offer in
5 compromise of a fine of \$500 payable in 60 days.
6 Is this your understanding, sir, of the offer in
7 compromise?

8 MR. WOLDEMARIAM: Yes, sir.

9 CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: And are you aware that
10 by accepting this offer in compromise that you're
11 giving up your right to a hearing?

12 MR. WOLDEMARIAM: Yes.

13 CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: And you're also aware
14 that your also giving up your right to appeal
15 this matter?

16 MR. WOLDEMARIAM: Yes.

17 CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: With that said, I make
18 a motion that this offer in compromise of a \$500
19 fine payable in 60 days be accepted. Is there a
20 second?

21 MR. SILVERSTEIN: Second.

22 CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: Mr. Silverstein has

1 seconded the motion. Any discussions? Hearing
2 none, all those in favor say aye. (chorus of
3 ayes) All those opposed? (No audible response)
4 The matter passed 5-zero-zero and thank you very
5 much for taking the time to come to this
6 agreement.

7 (Whereupon, the above-entitled matter was
8 concluded.)

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