

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

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ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE CONTROL BOARD

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ROLL CALL HEARING

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IN THE MATTER OF: :

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The Public Group, LLC t/a :

Public Bar :

1214A 18th Street, N.W. :

License #ABRA-081238 :

Retailer CR - License :

Renewal :

Case #13-PRO-00173 :

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MONDAY, DECEMBER 09, 2013

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The Alcoholic Beverage Control Board met in Alcoholic Beverage Control Hearing Room, Reeves Building, 2000 14th Street N.W., Washington, D.C., Ms. La Verne Fletcher, Agent, presiding.

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

2 (11:29 a.m.)

3 MS. FLETCHER: Would the parties  
4 in the matter of Public Bar please some  
5 forward. The parties in the matter of Public  
6 Bar.

7 This is Case No. 13-PRO-00173, The  
8 Public Bar Group, LLC, trading as Public Bar,  
9 1214A 18th Street, N.W., License No. ABRA-  
10 081238.

11 This is a Retailer CT License  
12 Renewal. The protest issues are adverse  
13 impact on peace, order and quiet and real  
14 property values.

15 My name is La Verne Fletcher and I  
16 am conducting the Roll Call Hearing as the  
17 Board's agent, pursuant to D.C. Official Code  
18 1601.2.

19 Introductions beginning with the  
20 Applicant.

21 MR. FONSECA: Michael Fonseca, F-  
22 o-n-s-e-c-a, on behalf of the Licensee. It's

1 principal.

2 MR. VILLEGAS: Edwin Villegas, V-  
3 i-l-l-e-g-a-s.

4 MS. FLETCHER: V-i-l-l --

5 MR. VILLEGAS: e-g-a-s.

6 MS. FLETCHER: -- e-g-a-s. Thank  
7 you very much.

8 And present on behalf of ANC2B?

9 MS. NICHOLS: Abigail Nichols, A-  
10 b-i-g-a-i-l, N-i-c-h-o-l-a-s.

11 MS. FLETCHER: And present on  
12 behalf of the group of 17?

13 MR. NELSON: Carl, C-a-r-l,  
14 Nelson, N-e-l-s-o-n.

15 MS. FLETCHER: Thank you, Mr.  
16 Nelson. Did your group designate you as their  
17 representative? Do you have any other members  
18 from your group present today?

19 MR. NELSON: Yes.

20 MS. FLETCHER: Okay. If they  
21 would step forward.

22 MR. NELSON: Abigail Nichols.

1 MS. FLETCHER: Oh. Ms. Nichols.

2 MS. NICHOLS: Abigail Nichols.

3 MS. FLETCHER: Thank you.

4 Mr. Nichols -- Mr. Nelson, two  
5 members of your group are present today, which  
6 means that at the status hearing you need to  
7 bring three additional people who weren't  
8 present today.

9 MR. NELSON: We understand.

10 MS. FLETCHER: Okay. Thank you.  
11 So, for the purpose of Roll Call, you are  
12 granted a conditional standing.

13 MR. NELSON: Thank you.

14 MS. FLETCHER: Thank you.

15 There are two protestants in this  
16 matter, ANC2B and a group of 17. We need to  
17 set a date for mediation.

18 MR. NELSON: Excuse me. Do I need  
19 to sign this again?

20 MS. FLETCHER: No.

21 MR. NELSON: Okay. Thank you.

22 MS. FLETCHER: Thank you.

1                   The next available date for  
2 mediation -- is anyone available at one in the  
3 afternoon? At one?

4                   MR. FONSECA: On which date?

5                   MS. FLETCHER: Is anyone available  
6 one?

7                   MR. FONSECA: Yes. No, that is --  
8 Mr. O'Brien will be handling this also.

9                   MS. FLETCHER: One o'clock on  
10 February 23rd is available. Monday, February  
11 23rd.

12                   MR. FONSECA: We are getting that  
13 far out, huh?

14                   MS. FLETCHER: Yes. We are that  
15 far out.

16                   MR. FONSECA: You know those  
17 people lined up over here?

18                   MS. FLETCHER: Mr. Fonseca.

19                   MR. FONSECA: I show February 23rd  
20 as a Sunday.

21                   MS. FLETCHER: I said February  
22 3rd.

1 MR. FONSECA: Oh. February 3rd.  
2 That is why I said -- made the remark. I  
3 completely missed it. That will work. I was  
4 like -- the 23rd? I apologize.

5 MS. FLETCHER: Well, if February  
6 3rd at one is good for you, Mr. Nelson and Ms.  
7 Nichols, we can do it then.

8 MS. NICHOLS: Yes. I will -- I  
9 will get back to the ANC on that date. That  
10 should be fine.

11 MS. FLETCHER: So, mediation is  
12 set for Monday, February 3 at one for Public  
13 Bar.

14 MR. FONSECA: February 3rd, one  
15 p.m.

16 MS. FLETCHER: February 3rd at one  
17 p.m.

18 MR. FONSECA: Thank you.

19 MS. FLETCHER: You are welcome.

20 The Roll Call Hearing is  
21 concluded.

22 MR. FONSECA: Thank you.

1 MS. NICHOLS: Thank you. Is that

2 the end of 2B, Ms. Fletcher?

3 MS. FLETCHER: Let me see, Ms.

4 Nichols. Ms. Nichols, you are actually done

5 for the day.

6 MS. NICHOLS: Okay. Thank you.

7 Thank you.

8 (Whereupon, the Roll Call Hearing

9 was concluded at 11:33 a.m.)

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<p style="text-align: center;"><b>A</b></p> <p>a.m 2:2 7:9  <b>Abigail</b> 3:9,22 4:2  <b>ABRA</b> 2:9  <b>ABRA-081238</b> 1:12  <b>additional</b> 4:7  <b>adverse</b> 2:12  <b>afternoon</b> 5:3  <b>agent</b> 1:22 2:17  <b>Alcoholic</b> 1:3,18,18  <b>ANC</b> 6:9  <b>ANC2B</b> 3:8 4:16  <b>apologize</b> 6:4  <b>Applicant</b> 2:20  <b>available</b> 5:1,2,5,10</p> <hr/> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>B</b></p> <p><b>b-i-g-a-i-l</b> 3:10  <b>back</b> 6:9  <b>Bar</b> 1:10 2:4,6,8,8  6:13  <b>beginning</b> 2:19  <b>behalf</b> 2:22 3:8,12  <b>Beverage</b> 1:3,18,18  <b>Board</b> 1:3,18  <b>Board's</b> 2:17  <b>bring</b> 4:7  <b>Building</b> 1:19</p> <hr/> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>C</b></p> <p><b>C-a-r-l</b> 3:13  <b>Call</b> 1:5 2:16 4:11  6:20 7:8  <b>Carl</b> 3:13  <b>Case</b> 1:13 2:7  <b>Code</b> 2:17  <b>COLUMBIA</b> 1:1  <b>completely</b> 6:3  <b>concluded</b> 6:21 7:9  <b>conditional</b> 4:12  <b>conducting</b> 2:16  <b>Control</b> 1:3,18,18  <b>CR</b> 1:12  <b>CT</b> 2:11</p> <hr/> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>D</b></p> <p><b>D.C</b> 1:20 2:17</p>	<p><b>date</b> 4:17 5:1,4 6:9  <b>day</b> 7:5  <b>DECEMBER</b> 1:15  <b>designate</b> 3:16  <b>DISTRICT</b> 1:1</p> <hr/> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>E</b></p> <p><b>e-g-a-s</b> 3:5,6  <b>Edwin</b> 3:2  <b>Excuse</b> 4:18</p> <hr/> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>F</b></p> <p><b>F</b> 2:21  <b>far</b> 5:13,15  <b>February</b> 5:10,10  5:19,21 6:1,5,12  6:14,16  <b>fine</b> 6:10  <b>Fletcher</b> 1:22 2:3  2:15 3:4,6,11,15  3:20 4:1,3,10,14  4:20,22 5:5,9,14  5:18,21 6:5,11,16  6:19 7:2,3  <b>Fonseca</b> 2:21,21  5:4,7,12,16,18,19  6:1,14,18,22  <b>forward</b> 2:5 3:21</p> <hr/> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>G</b></p> <p><b>getting</b> 5:12  <b>good</b> 6:6  <b>granted</b> 4:12  <b>group</b> 1:10 2:8 3:12  3:16,18 4:5,16</p> <hr/> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>H</b></p> <p><b>handling</b> 5:8  <b>hearing</b> 1:5,19 2:16  4:6 6:20 7:8  <b>huh</b> 5:13</p> <hr/> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>I</b></p> <p><b>i-l-e-g-a-s</b> 3:3  <b>impact</b> 2:13  <b>Introductions</b> 2:19  <b>issues</b> 2:12</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>J</b></p> <hr/> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>K</b></p> <p><b>know</b> 5:16</p> <hr/> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>L</b></p> <p><b>La</b> 1:20 2:15  <b>License</b> 1:12,12 2:9  2:11  <b>Licensee</b> 2:22  <b>lined</b> 5:17  <b>LLC</b> 1:10 2:8</p> <hr/> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>M</b></p> <p><b>matter</b> 1:9 2:4,5  4:16  <b>means</b> 4:6  <b>mediation</b> 4:17 5:2  6:11  <b>members</b> 3:17 4:5  <b>met</b> 1:18  <b>Michael</b> 2:21  <b>missed</b> 6:3  <b>Monday</b> 1:15 5:10  6:12</p> <hr/> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>N</b></p> <p><b>N-e-l-s-o-n</b> 3:14  <b>N-i-c-h-o-l-a-s</b> 3:10  <b>N.W</b> 1:11,20 2:9  <b>name</b> 2:15  <b>need</b> 4:6,16,18  <b>Nelson</b> 3:13,14,16  3:19,22 4:4,9,13  4:18,21 6:6  <b>Nichols</b> 3:9,9,22  4:1,2,2,4 6:7,8 7:1  7:4,4,6</p> <hr/> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>O</b></p> 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