

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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Inner Circle 1420, LLC :

t/a Lotus :

1420 K Street N.W. :

License #ABRA-075162 :

Retailer CN :

License Renewal :

Case #13-PRO-00178 :

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December 16, 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.

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

10:10 a.m.

AGENT FLETCHER: Will the parties in the matter of Lotus please come forward. The parties in the matter of Lotus. This is Case No. 13-PRO-00178, Inner Circle 1420, LLC trading as Lotus, 1420 K Street N.W., License No. ABRA-075162. This is a Retailer CN, License Renewal. The protest issues are adverse impact on peace, order, and quiet.

My name is La Verne Fletcher and I'm conducting the roll call hearing as the Board's agent pursuant to D.C. Official Code 1601.2.

Introductions beginning with the Applicant.

MR. MPRAS: Emanuel Mpras representing Lotus, Inner Circle 1420, LLC.

AGENT FLETCHER: Thank you, Mr. Mpras. please?

Your name, sir?

MR. SEQUEIRA: Diego Sequeira.

1 AGENT FLETCHER: State it and
2 spell it for the record.

3 MR. SEQUEIRA: Diego, D-I-E-G-O,
4 Sequeira, S-E-Q-U-E-I-R-A.

5 AGENT FLETCHER: Thank you very
6 much.

7 On behalf of 1400 K, LLC?

8 MR. BROWN: Patrick Brown from
9 Greenstein, DeLorme & Luchs.

10 AGENT FLETCHER: Thank you, Mr.
11 Brown. Mr. Brown, have you given the court
12 reporter your business card? Or, if not,
13 could you spell the name of your firm?

14 MR. BROWN: I'll give him the card
15 afterwards.

16 AGENT FLETCHER: Okay. Thank you
17 very much.

18 Mr. Brown, you're representing
19 1400 K, LLC which owns a building located
20 immediately adjacent to 1420 K.

21 MR. BROWN: That's correct. We
22 consider ourselves an abutting neighbor, an

1 abutting property owner under the statute.

2 MR. MPRAS: We contest that for
3 the ABRA definition of abutting.

4 AGENT FLETCHER: ABRA does not
5 consider a building located adjacent to an
6 establishment to be abutting. ABRA's
7 definition of butting is sharing a common
8 wall, Mr. Brown.

9 For that reason, I'm going to have
10 to discuss the protest filed by 1400 K, LLC.
11 You may petition the Board for reinstatement
12 of the protest. The building does not abut
13 the property so the protest is dismissed.
14 Also because this is not a group of at least
15 five or more property owners. Any questions
16 at all?

17 MR. BROWN: No, ma'am.

18 MR. MPRAS: No questions.

19 AGENT FLETCHER: Thank you. The
20 roll call hearing is concluded.

21 (Whereupon, at 10:13 a.m. the
22 hearing was adjourned.)

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