

**THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA  
ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE CONTROL BOARD**

<b>In the Matter of:</b>	)	
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Ruta Del Vino, LLC	)	
t/a Ruta Del Vino	)	
	)	
Applicant for a New	)	
Retailer's Class CR License	)	License No. ABRA-101091
	)	Order No. 2016-083
at premises	)	
800-802 Upshur Street, N.W.	)	
Washington, D.C. 20011	)	
	)	

Ruta Del Vino, LLC, t/a Ruta Del Vino (Applicant)

Vann-Di Galloway, Chairperson, Advisory Neighborhood Commission (ANC) 4C

**BEFORE:** Donovan Anderson, Chairperson  
Nick Alberti, Member  
Mike Silverstein, Member  
Ruthanne Miller, Member  
James Short, Member

**ORDER ON SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT**

The official records of the Alcoholic Beverage Control Board (Board) reflect that Ruta Del Vino, LLC, t/a Ruta Del Vino, Applicant for a new Retailer's Class CR License, located at 800-802 Upshur Street, N.W., Washington, D.C., and ANC 4C have entered into a Settlement Agreement (Agreement), dated January 13, 2016, that governs the operation of the Applicant's establishment.

The Agreement has been reduced to writing and has been properly executed and filed with the Board. The Applicant and Chairperson Vann-Di Galloway, on behalf of ANC 4C, are signatories to the Agreement.

Accordingly, it is this 24<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2016, **ORDERED** that:

1. The above-referenced Settlement Agreement submitted by the parties to govern the operations of the Applicant's establishment is **APPROVED** and **INCORPORATED** as part of this Order, except for the following modification:

Section 5 (Noise and Privacy) – This Section shall be modified to read as follows: “Applicant will strictly comply with D.C. Official Code § 25-725 and has made architectural improvements to the property and has taken actions to ensure that music, noise and vibration from the Establishment are not audible in any other premises at any time. Applicant shall ensure that the Establishment's windows are closed Sunday through Thursday from 12:00 midnight until close, and from 1:00 am until close on Friday and Saturday. It is understood that at no time shall the music be audible in any other premises outside of the establishment. The Applicant will post a sign requesting that patrons exit quietly and that they be mindful and respectful to the neighborhood.”

The parties have agreed to this modification.

2. Copies of this Order shall be sent to the Applicant and ANC 4C.

District of Columbia  
Alcoholic Beverage Control Board



Donovan Anderson, Chairperson



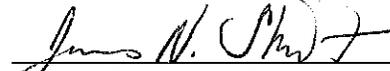
Nick Alberti, Member



Mike Silverstein, Member



Ruthanne Miller, Member



James Short, Member

Pursuant to D.C. Official Code § 25-433(d)(1), any party adversely affected may file a Motion for Reconsideration of this decision within ten (10) days of service of this Order with the Alcoholic Beverage Regulation Administration, 2000 14<sup>th</sup> Street, N.W., Suite 400S, Washington, DC 20009.

Also, pursuant to section 11 of the District of Columbia Administrative Procedure Act, Pub. L. 90-614, 82 Stat. 1209, D.C. Official Code §2-510 (2001), and Rule 15 of the District of Columbia Court of Appeals, any party adversely affected has the right to appeal this Order by filing a petition for review, within thirty (30) days of the date of service of this Order, with the District of Columbia Court of Appeals, 430 E Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20001; (202/879-1010). However, the timely filing of a Motion for Reconsideration pursuant to 23 DCMR §1719.1 (2008) stays the time for filing a petition for review in the District of Columbia Court of Appeals until the Board rules on the motion. See D.C. App. Rule 15(b) (2004).

## SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT

This Settlement Agreement ("Agreement") is made on this 13th day of January, 2016 by and between Ruta del Vino, LLC ("Applicant"), and Advisory Neighborhood Commission 4C, (Collectively, the "Parties").

### WITNESSETH

WHEREAS, Applicant's application for a license for premises, 800-802 Upshur Street, NW, Washington, DC, 20011, is now pending before the District of Columbia Alcoholic Beverage Control Board (ABC); and,

WHEREAS, the premises are within the boundaries of the ANC, and,

WHEREAS, the Parties desire to enter into an agreement governing certain understandings regarding the issue of a Retailers' Class "C" Restaurant Liquor License at the subject premises; and,

WHEREAS, the Parties are desirous of entering into a Settlement Agreement pursuant to D.C. Official Code § 25-446 for the operation and maintenance of the Establishment in such a manner as to promote the peace, order and quiet of the neighborhood. Both parties recognize the importance of business neighborhoods that are safe, clean, and "pedestrian friendly".

NOW, THEREFORE, the parties agree as follows:

1. Recitals Incorporated. The recitals set forth above are incorporated herein by reference.
2. Nature of the Business. The Applicant will manage and operate a CR license at the listed address. The license shall have limited indoor seating of no more than 76 patrons and front-patio seating of no more than 20 patrons.
3. Hours of Operation and Sales. The Applicant's hours of operation shall be as follows:  
  
Monday through Friday 7 a.m. – 2 a.m.  
Saturday 7 a.m. - 2 a.m.,  
Sunday 7 a.m. - 1 a.m.  
  
Provided, however, (1) on days designated by the DC ABC Board as "Extended Hours for ABC Establishments" Applicant may operate and serve alcohol and provide entertainment for such hour(s); (2) in the event the Council of the District of Columbia or the DC ABC Board grant licensees in general extended operating hours (such as Inauguration or World Cup) Applicant may avail itself of such extended hours; and (3) on January 1 of each year Applicant may serve alcoholic beverages and provide entertainment until 4am.
4. Sidewalk Seating. Applicant will provide seating for patrons in the public space to ensure patrons do not utilize abutting stoops or block passage of the sidewalk. Applicant will direct that its employees inspect the sidewalk area on a regular basis to ensure its cleanliness.
5. Noise and Privacy. Applicant will strictly comply with D.C. Official Code § 25-725 and

has made architectural improvements to the property and has taken actions to ensure that music, noise and vibration from the Establishment are not audible in any other premises at any time. Applicant agrees to keep its doors and windows closed when music is being played at the establishment. However, it is understood by the parties that Applicant may open its window panels seasonally, and that music may be played at such times at a level not audible in any other premises. Applicant will post a sign requesting that patrons exit quietly and be respectful of the neighborhood.

6. Public Space and Trash. Applicant shall keep the sidewalk (up to and including the curb), tree box(es), curb, and alley clean and free of litter, bottles, snow, ice and other debris in compliance with D.C. Code and Municipal Regulations. Applicant shall police these areas sufficiently to assure that refuse and other materials are promptly removed.

Applicant shall ensure that the area around the dumpster is kept clean at all times and the dumpster is placed such that it does not encroach on the abutting property owners without the abutting property owners' permission, and that no garbage is placed on the abutting property. Applicant will ensure timely disposal no less than three (3) times per week that is the least disruptive to the neighbors. Commercial trash pick up in residential areas takes place between 7 a.m.-7 p.m.

7. Rats and Vermin Control. The Applicant shall provide rat and vermin control for its property. Applicant shall have the Establishment and the area around the Premises properly cleaned at the end of each night to ensure that there are not garbage and odors present the following morning.

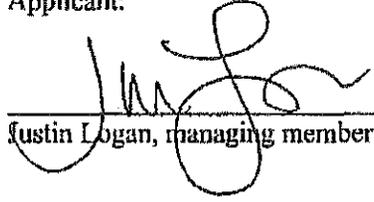
8. Security Cooperation in Stemming Illegal Drugs and Public Drinking. Applicant agrees that it shall take all necessary steps to minimize such problems, including, without limitation, designating a sufficient number of employees to assure adequate security and to control unruly patrons, whether inside or in the immediate outside area; monitoring for and prohibiting sales or use of illegal drugs within or about the Premises, maintaining contact and cooperating with MPD and other enforcement officials when known or suspected drug activities occur. Applicant shall to the full extent permissible by law discourage loitering in the vicinity of the Premises. This will include providing an appropriate security at all times when the Establishment is open to the public. The Applicant shall be responsible for ensuring that any individuals who are simply loitering are asked to move along.

9. Entertainment Endorsement. If an entertainment endorsement is awarded for live entertainment the Applicant agrees to the following limitations: 1. At no time shall more than four (4) performers be permitted; 2. At no time shall an amplification be used other than that already existent in the establishment for recorded music; 3. At no time shall performances extend after 1:00am; 4. At no time shall a cover charge be required for entrance to the establishment and, 5. At no time shall dancing be permitted in the establishment during regular operation.

10. Compliance with ABRA Regulations. Applicant promises that it shall abide by all Alcoholic Beverage Regulations Administration (ABRA) regulations regarding the ownership of the license and all other provisions applicable to liquor licensees.

In witness whereof, the parties have executed this Settlement Agreement as of the day and date first written above.

Applicant:



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Justin Logan, managing member

Advisory Neighborhood Commission 4C:



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Vann-Di Galloway, Chairman