

GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA  
ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE REGULATION ADMINISTRATION  
ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE CONTROL BOARD

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IN THE MATTER OF :  
Decades, LLC. :Case #16-PRO-00091  
t/a Decades :  
1219 Connecticut Avenue NW :  
License #ABRA-103505 :  
Retailer Class CN :  
New Application :  
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Monday, September 19, 2016

Whereupon, the abovereferenced matter  
came on for hearing at the Alcoholic Beverage  
Control Board, Reeves Center, 2000 14th Street,  
N.W., Suite 400S, Washington, D.C. 20009.

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CHAIRPERSON:

LAVERNE FLETCHER, Presiding

ALSO PRESENT:

Carl Nelson

Abigail Nichols

Lillian Gaskin

Lena Kaljot

Frederic Pambrun

Robin S Diener

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

[TIME 10:07]

ROLL CALL HEARING

MEDIATOR FLETCHER: Would the parties in the matter of Decades please come forward? This is case #16-PRO-00091, Decades LLC, trading as Decades, 1219 Connecticut Avenue NW, license #ABRA-103505. This is a class CN, new application. The protest issues are adverse impact on peace, order and quiet. My name is Laverne Fletcher and I'm conducting the roll call hearing as the board's agent. Is the applicant present? Present on behalf of ANC 2B? Ms. Nichols would you state your name and spell it for the record?

MS. NICHOLS: I am Abigail, A-B-I-G-A-I-L, C. Nichols -- N-I-C-H-O-L-S. I'm the commissioner for single member District 2B 05, representing commission 2B.

MEDIATOR FLETCHER: Thank you very much. And present on behalf of the group of 17?

MR. NELSON: I'm Carl Nelson, the representative for the group of 17.

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MEDIATOR FLETCHER: Mr. Nelson, would you spell your name for the record, please?

MR. NELSON: C-A-R-L, N-E-L-S-O-N.

MEDIATOR FLETCHER: Thank you. Any communication with the applicant before today?

MS. NICHOLS: I've spoken with the applicant twice but not about the hearing.

MEDIATOR FLETCHER: Okay, the time is approximately 10:07. The applicant is not present. The application for a new application is dismissed. The applicant will receive a board order dismissing the application because he failed to appear. The applicant will have ten days to seek reinstatement of the application by the ABC Board. If, after you leave, the applicant happens to come in, while we're still here, I'll reopen the record and I'll give him the opportunity to go on the record as being present, but at this moment he's not here.

MS. NICHOLS: May we register that other members of the group are here?

MEDIATOR FLETCHER: Oh, yes. Thank you,

yeah.

MR. NELSON: We would like to establish our standing.

MEDIATOR FLETCHER: Yeah you should, and you are. That's exactly what I've just done. But thank you for reminding me about the group of 17, the other people present from the group, so if you would just --

MR. NELSON: That we are five of the signatories of the petition.

MEDIATOR FLETCHER: Exactly. And so all you need to do then is to stand between Mr. Nelson and Ms. Nichols and state your name on the record.

MR. NELSON: You mean in front of the microphone over here?

MEDIATOR FLETCHER: Oh it's over there.

MS. GASKIN: So just stand?

MEDIATOR FLETCHER: Yes.

MS. GASKIN: Yes, okay. Lillian L-I-L-L-I-A-N, Gaskin, G-A-S-K-I-N.

MEDIATOR FLETCHER: Thank you.

MS. KALJOT: Lena, L-E-N-A, Kaljot, K-A-L-J-O-T.

MEDIATOR FLETCHER: J-O-T, Ms. Kaljot?

MS. KALJOT: J-O-T.

MEDIATOR FLETCHER: Thank you.

MS. DIENER: Robin, R-O-B-I-N, S. as in Sally, D-i-e-n-e-r, DIENER.

MEDIATOR FLETCHER: Thank you.

MR. PAMBRUN: Frederic Pambrun, F-R-E-D-E-R-I-C, P-A-M-B-R-U-N.

MEDIATOR FLETCHER: So you each signed the protest letter yes?

MS. NICHOLS: Yes.

MEDIATOR FLETCHER: Okay, thank you.

MS. NICHOLS: And, Ms. Fletcher, if they should come I would be very happy to continue our discussions with them. We're not trying to get them dismissed.

MEDIATOR FLETCHER: Yes.

MS. NICHOLS: Mr. Nelson as a representative of the group and I for the ANC are going to be away between next Tuesday and October 11th, so --

but then we're here all the time between then and November 16th.

MEDIATOR FLETCHER: Okay.

MS. NICHOLS: Which is when the protest hearing is.

MEDIATOR FLETCHER: That's right.

MS. NICHOLS: If you were to suggest a date for the status hearing.

MEDIATOR FLETCHER: I can go ahead and give you the date for the status. It comes up after you come back. The status hearing is set for October 19 at 9:30. So, I won't set the date for the mediation but you know those dates will only kick in if the applicant shows up.

MS. NICHOLS: Okay. I understand.

MEDIATOR FLETCHER: These are the dates you would have gotten if everybody had been present, so I won't schedule the mediation, and the group of five is granted standing as a protestant as well as ANC 2B and because at least five were present from the group today, at this upcoming status hearing, if there is one, only the

designated representative needs to appear.

Anything else? Okay well --

MR. NELSON: They don't need to stay.

MEDIATOR FLETCHER: That's right, we're done.

MR. NELSON: We'll wait a little while longer.

MEDIATOR FLETCHER: You want to wait a little while longer to see? Okay.

MR. NELSON: Give a little grace this time.

MS. NICHOLS: There's nothing -- there is no reason that we need to stay is that right?

MEDIATOR FLETCHER: No, you don't need to stay. If you want to wait another three or four minutes to see if the applicant comes in, you can. So, what I'll do, I'll call the next case. There is one more.

The roll call hearing in the matter of Decades is concluded.

[Whereupon, the aboveentitled matter concluded.]