

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

**In the Matter of:** )

Nuss Bar, LLC )  
t/a Shouk )

Holder of a )  
Retailer's Class DR License )

at premises )  
655 K Street, N.W. )  
Washington, D.C. 20001 )

License No. ABRA-100278  
Order No. 2016-274

Nuss Bar, LLC, t/a Shouk (Applicant)

Marge Macela, Chairperson, Advisory Neighborhood Commission (ANC) 6E

**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 Nuss Bar, LLC, t/a Shouk (Licensee) and ANC 6E have entered into a Settlement Agreement (Agreement), dated October 6, 2014, that governs the operation of the Licensee's establishment.

The Agreement has been reduced to writing and has been properly executed and filed with the Board. The Applicant and Chairperson Marge Macela, on behalf of ANC 6E, are signatories to the Agreement.

Accordingly, it is this 4<sup>th</sup> day of May, 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 modifications:

Section 7 (Right to Protest, Notice and Opportunity to Cure) – The following language shall be modified to read as follows: “If the Applicant or licensee fails to cure within the 30 day period (or, with respect to a breach which reasonably requires more than 30 days to cure, fails to commence cure of such breach by diligently pursuing such cure) such failure shall constitute a cause of seeking a Show Cause Order from the ABC Board pursuant to DC Official Code 25-447.”

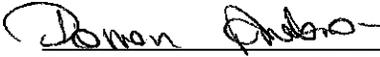
Section 8 (Binding Effect) – The following term shall be removed: “assigns.”

Section 9 – This Section shall be removed.

The parties have agreed to these modifications.

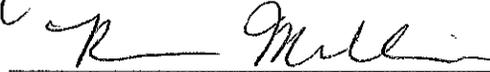
2. Copies of this Order shall be sent to the Applicant and ANC 6E.

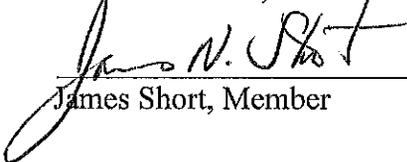
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Pursuant to D.C. Official Code § 25-433(d)(1), any party adversely affected may file a Motion for Reconsideration of this decision within ten (10) days of service of this Order with the Alcoholic Beverage Regulation Administration, 2000 14<sup>th</sup>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

# Advisory Neighborhood Commission 6E

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MD 6E02- Kevin Chapple

SMD6E05- Marge Maceda

SMD 6E03- S Frank Wiggins

SMD6E06- Alfreda Judd

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## **Voluntary Agreement**

Between

**ANC6E**

And

Nussbar LLC, d/b/a Shouk

Located at 613 K Street NW, DC, 20001

Concerning issuance of

Retail Class "D" License

This agreement made and entered into this 6<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2014 by and between Shouk (Applicant, or Licensee) and ANC6E (ANC) witnesses:

Whereas Applicant has filed application for a retail Class "D": license with the District of Columbia Alcoholic Beverage Control Board (ABC Board) for the premises known as 613 K Street NW, Washington, DC 20001 (premises).

Whereas in recognition of ABC Board's policy of encouraging parties to settle any differences by reaching a Voluntary Agreement, the parties hereto desire to enter into a Voluntary Agreement whereby, (1) Applicant will agree to adopt certain measures to address ANC's concerns and to include in this Agreement as a formal condition of its application and (2) ANC will not oppose the issuance of the

license provided that such an agreement is incorporated into ABC Board's order issuing the license, which license is conditional upon compliance with this Agreement.

In consideration of the mutual covenants and undertakings memorialized herein, the Applicant and ANC6E hereby agree as follows:

- 1. Noise.** Applicant acknowledges familiarity with and will comply with noise-control provisions of the District of Columbia law and regulations, including preventing emissions of sound, capable of being heard outside the premises, by any musical instrument or amplification device or any other device or source of sound and noise, in accordance with DC Code 25-725. Amplified music will not be played in the sidewalk café. The applicant agrees to restrict all events to those run by the restaurant. It is understood that private parties are permitted when the licensee retains control of the restaurant. Applicant agrees to implement sound suppression measures that will mitigate any noise from this restaurant and summer garden that may be heard in surrounding resident homes. Applicant will encourage employees and patrons, by posted signs or other printed notation or other means at Applicant's discretion, to be considerate of the residents in the neighborhood after departing the building by keeping conversations and other noise at a level that will not disturb the peace, order, quiet and tranquility of residents in the enjoyment of their homes or generate a noise complaint. All due diligence shall be made by the applicant to ensure that there is no loitering in front of or in the vicinity of the Restaurant, especially loud cursing, public drunkenness, fighting and other acts of aggression.
- 2. HOURS OF OPERATIONS.** Applicant intends to remain open from 11 AM to 11 PM. Notwithstanding this intention, Applicant shall have the right but not be obligated to open its doors to receive patrons for the maximum allowable hours when the laws governing ABC Licensed establishments allow for such (including extended hours as provided for such dates as New Year's Eve, Inauguration, etc.). There shall be no food or drink served on the patio/outdoor café seating areas after 11PM Sunday through Thursday, and after 12midnight on Fridays and Saturdays and on evenings preceding federal holidays. Alcoholic beverages may not be carried out of the establishment except that alcoholic beverages may be consumed on the outside seating area.
- 3. SMOKING POLICY.** Applicant will not allow smoking on the premises, including the outdoor seating area.
- 4. PARKING.** To the extent reasonably practicable, Applicant will direct patrons to use nearby public parking facilities rather than park on residential streets.

- 5. TRASH REMOVAL.** Applicant will ensure that trash is placed in the dumpster area at regular intervals such that all of Applicant's trash can be removed from the premises according to the trash removal schedule established by the building. Trash will be stored in rodent proof dumpsters and shall see that dumpster covers fit properly and remain fully closed when not in use. Applicant will provide for the proper removal of grease and oils and will not deposit these substances for removal in dumpsters. Applicant will have professional extermination services or provide them as needed. Should Applicant arrange for trash removal independent of the schedule established by the building, Applicant will request that its trash and recycling contractors pick up trash and materials no earlier than 8AM and no later than 7PM. Trash will be picked up from the alley behind the restaurant. Recycle materials shall not be dumped after 10PM.
- 6. Public Space Storage.** No tables or structures shall be placed outside the building without proper licensing and notification, except that tables in the patio shall be allowed for dining purposes during the days when weather permits and Applicant may, in accordance with a duly approved sidewalk café permit, allow dining in the sidewalk café area. The Applicant shall, when outside dining tables cannot be used, store them in such a manner that is not a public nuisance or eyesore. Sidewalks shall be swept and kept clean, and hosed down as needed. Snow removal on walkways will be cleared as per the laws of the District of Columbia.
- 7. RIGHT TO PROTEST, NOTICE AND OPPORTUNITY TO CURE.** In the event the applicant is in breach of this agreement, Applicant shall be notified in writing by the ANC alleging such violations and given the opportunity to cure within thirty (30) days thereafter before action against Applicant on the basis of such violation may be undertaken. If the Applicant or licensee fails to cure within the 30 day period (or, with respect to a breach which reasonably requires more than 30 days to cure, fails to commence cure of such breach by diligently pursuing such cure) such failure shall constitute a cause of seeking a Show Cause Order from the ABC Board pursuant to DC Official Code 25-447. Any notices required to be made under this agreement shall be in writing and mailed or hand delivered to the other Parties to this Agreement at the addresses of record with ABRA. Notice shall be a prerequisite to the filing of a complaint with the ABC Board or any other enforcement action.
- 8. BINDING EFFECT.** This Voluntary Agreement shall be binding upon and enforceable against the successors and assigns of Applicant during the term of the license to which this Voluntary Agreement applies.

9. Shouk shall notify the ANC Commissioner of special events so the community may be notified.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties place their signatures to this agreement, this 6<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2015

ANC 6E

Shouk

By: Marge Maceda

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Date: 10/6/15

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