

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA  
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ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE CONTROL BOARD  
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MEETING

IN THE MATTER OF:                         :  
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Half Smoke, LLC,                                 :  
t/a Half Smoke                                     :  
651 Florida Ave NW                               :  
License #100855                                 : Show Cause  
Retailer CR - ANC 1B                             : Hearing (Status)  
Case # 20-CIT-00554                             :  
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(Failure to Comply with                         :  
Public Safety Regulations:                     :  
During the COVID-19                             :  
Pandemic)   :

Wednesday  
February 10, 2021

The Alcoholic Beverage Control Board  
met via WebEx videoconference, Chairperson  
Donovan W. Anderson presiding.

PRESENT:

- DONOVAN W. ANDERSON, Chairperson
- BOBBY CATO, JR., Member
- RAFI ALIYA CROCKETT, Member
- EDWARD S. GRANDIS, Member
- JENI HANSEN, Member
- JAMES SHORT, JR., Member
- REMA WAHABZADAH, Member

ALSO PRESENT:

- SIMONE ANDREWS, DC ABRA Staff
- RICHARD BIANCO, Licensee's Counsel
- JESSICA KRUPKE, DC OAG

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

2 10:48 a.m.

3 CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: The next case  
4 on our calendar is Case No. 20-CIT-00554, Half  
5 Smoke, License No. 100855.

6 Ms. Andrews, can you please elevate  
7 the rights of the Licensee, please.

8 MS. ANDREWS: Sure. Stand by.

9 Mr. Bianco, your rights have been  
10 elevated.

11 That's all, Mr. Chair.

12 CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: Thank you. All  
13 right. Can we have the parties introduce  
14 themselves for the record? Starting with the  
15 Government.

16 MS. KRUPKE: Good morning. Jessica  
17 Krupke on behalf of the District of Columbia.

18 CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: Good morning,  
19 Ms. Krupke.

20 And Mr. Bianco.

21 MR. BIANCO: Good morning, Mr.  
22 Anderson. Richard Bianco on behalf of the  
23 Respondent.

24 CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: Good morning,  
25 Mr. Bianco.

1                   Ms. Krupke, are there any preliminary  
2 matters in this case?

3                   MS. KRUPKE: No, the parties do not  
4 have an offer-in-compromise for the Board's  
5 consideration today.

6                   CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: All right,  
7 thank you. This matter, then, will be scheduled  
8 for a show cause hearing at a date to be  
9 determined. We will advise the parties shortly  
10 of the date and time for the show cause hearing.  
11 Thank you for your participation this morning and  
12 have a great day.

13                   (Whereupon, the above-entitled matter  
14 went off the record at 10:49 a.m.)

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Before: DCABRA

Date: 02-10-21

Place: teleconference

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*Neal R Gross*

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Court Reporter

**NEAL R. GROSS**

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