

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

**In the Matter of:** )  
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2101 Venture, LLC )  
t/a Club Illusions )  
 )  
Applicant for a New )  
Retailer's Class CN License )  
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at premises )  
2101 New York Avenue, N.E. )  
Washington, D.C. 20002 )  
 )

Case No. 12-PRO-00054  
License No. ABRA-088682  
Order No. 2012-325

2101 Venture, LLC, t/a Club Illusions (Applicant)

Jacqueline Manning and Vaughn Bennett, Commissioners, Advisory Neighborhood Commission (ANC) 5B (Protestant)

Vaughn Bennett and Don Padou, on behalf of A Group of Five or More Individuals (Approximately 78 Individuals) (Protestant)

Randall Chandler, on behalf of Arboretum Neighborhood Association (Protestant)

Christopher Collins, Esq., on behalf of The Schaeffers (Property Owners) (Protestant)

**BEFORE:** Ruthanne Miller, Chairperson  
Nick Alberti, Member  
Donald Brooks, Member  
Herman Jones, Member  
Calvin Nophlin, Member  
Mike Silverstein, Member

**ORDER GRANTING A GROUP OF FIVE OR MORE INDIVIDUALS' MOTION  
FOR REINSTATEMENT**

The Application filed by 2101 Venture, LLC, t/a Club Illusions, for a new Retailer's Class CN, having been protested, came before the Alcoholic Beverage Control Board (Board) for a Roll Call Hearing on June 11, 2012, in accordance with D.C. Official Code § 25-601 (2001).

On June 11, 2012, Dale Bannon, protestant with A Group of Five or More Individuals, was not granted standing as a member of the Group of Five or More

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Individuals, because Mr. Bannon signed the protest letter in his capacity as the Executive Director of The Salvation Army, rather than as a member of the Group of Five or More Individuals. Mr. Bannon's signature on the protest letter was not considered to be a protest filed by The Salvation Army, because the protest was clearly filed by the Group of Five or More Individuals. In addition, Mr. Bannon does not reside in the area and could not be granted standing as a member of the Group of Five or More Individuals. Mr. Bannon's intention, by signing the protest letter, was to file a protest on behalf of The Salvation Army.

On June 14, 2012, Don Padou, on behalf of the Group of Five or More Individuals, filed a Motion for Reinstatement the National Capital Area Command of the Salvation Army (NCAC) as a member of the Group of Five or More Individuals, indicating the following:

1. NCAC is a citizen or resident of the District of Columbia, because NCAC has its principal place of business located in the District at 2626 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W., which also owns the Harbor Light Center, a substance abuse program, located at 2100 New York Avenue, N.E., across the street from the Applicant. NCAC meets the requirements of D.C. Code § 25-601(2), because it is a resident and a property owner in the District.
2. NCAC has the exact same grounds for protest as the other 78 members of the Group of Five or More Individuals. NCAC is concerned that the Applicant will have a negative effect on peace, order, and quiet, residential parking, real property values; and vehicular and pedestrian safety.
3. The Board does not prohibit corporate entities from joining a protest group.

Upon consideration of this request to reinstate NCAC, the Board finds that NCAC is a resident and a property owner in the District, and there is good cause to reinstate NCAC as a member of the Group of Five or More Individuals, pursuant to 23 D.C.M.R. 1602.3.

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**ORDER**

For these reasons, the Board does hereby, this 25<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2012,  
**REINSTATE** NCAC as a member of the Group of Five or More Individuals of the  
Application filed by 2101 Venture, LLC, t/a Club Illusions, for a new Retailer's Class CN  
License.

Copies of this Order shall be sent to the Applicant; ANC 5B; Vaughn Bennett and  
Don Padou, on behalf of A Group of Five or More Individuals; Randall Chandler, on  
behalf of Arboretum Neighborhood Association; and Christopher Collins, Esq., on behalf  
of The Schaeffers.

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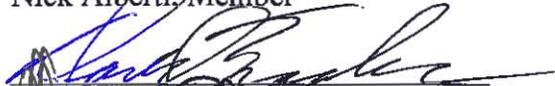
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Alcoholic Beverage Control Board



Ruthanne Miller, Chairperson



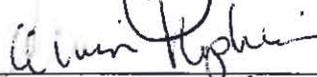
Nick Alberti, Member



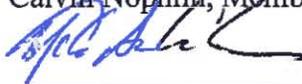
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Pursuant to 23 DCMR § 1719.1 (April 2004), any party adversely affected may file a Motion for Reconsideration of this decision within ten (10) days of service of this Order with the Alcoholic Beverage Regulation Administration, 2000 14<sup>th</sup> Street, N.W., Suite 400S, Washington, DC 20009.