

1 GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
2 ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE REGULATION ADMINISTRATION
3 ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE CONTROL BOARD

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6 IN THE MATTER OF: :
7 Pal the Mediterranean Spot :
8 and More, LLC, :
9 t/a Pal the Mediterranean Spot CASE #15-CMP-00699
10 150I U Street Northwest :
11 License #92484 :
12 Wednesday, March 2, 2016 :
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17 Whereupon, the above referenced matter
18 came on for hearing at the Alcoholic Beverage
19 Control Board, Reeves Center, 2000 14th Street,
20 N.W., Suite 400S, Washington, D.C. 20009.

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1 CHAIRPERSON:

2 DONOVAN W. ANDERSON, Presiding

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4 BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

5 NICK ALBERTI, BOARD MEMBER

6 RUTHANNE MILLER, BOARD MEMBER

7 JAMES SHORT, BOARD MEMBER

8 MIKE SILVERSTEIN, BOARD MEMBER

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10 OTHER PERSONS PRESENT

11 FERNANDO RIVERO, ESQUIRE

12 HARLE AZANACH

13 MOHAMMED RASHID

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

2 CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: I'm going to call
3 the next case out of order. The next case on our
4 calendar is Case # 15-CMP-00699 Pal the
5 Mediterranean Spot, License #92484.

6 MR. RIVERO: Good morning, board members.
7 Fernando Rivero for the District of Columbia.

8 CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: Good morning Mr.
9 Rivero. Can you please identify yourself for the
10 record?

11 MS. AZANACH: I'm Haile Azanach.

12 CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: And who are you,
13 ma'am?

14 MS. AZANACH: The owner.

15 CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: And who are you,
16 sir? Can you also introduce yourself for the
17 record?

18 MR. RASHID: Mohammed Rashid.

19 CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: All right. Mr.
20 Rivero, are there any preliminary matters?

21 MR. RIVERO: Yes. The parties have an
22 offer in compromise to present to the board at

1 this time. And that offer consists of a fine of
2 \$250 payable in 60 days. If payment isn't
3 received in 60 days the license will be suspended
4 until the payment is made. In addition, by way
5 of information, the establishment doesn't
6 actually have alcoholic beverages yet on the
7 premises but they were in possession of a
8 license, so the statute did apply.

9 CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: Okay. It is my
10 understanding that there is an offer in
11 compromise of \$250 payable within 60 days. Is
12 this your understanding of the offer, the
13 agreement that was made with the government?

14 MS. AZANACH: Yeah, I understand that,
15 but I not understand the license suspended.

16 CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: Well, not -- not --
17 -- not -- no -- no -- no -- it's an issue if you
18 don't pay the \$250 in 60 days, then your license
19 will be suspended.

20 MS. AZANACH: Okay.

21 CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: Not that it's
22 going to be suspended if you agree to pay this

1 amount and you agree to pay it within 60 days and
2 so, therefore, if it's not paid in 60 days your
3 license will be suspended until it's paid.

4 MS. AZANACH: Okay.

5 CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: Now you understand
6 what you agreed to?

7 MS. AZANACH: Yes, your Honor.

8 CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: Okay. Now, you
9 understand that by accepting this offer in
10 compromise, that you are waiving a right to a
11 hearing? You have to vocalize it.

12 MS. AZANACH: Yes.

13 CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: And that you're
14 also waiving a right to appeal this matter?

15 AZANACH: Yes.

16 CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: All right, all
17 right, then I made a motion that the offer in
18 compromise of \$250 be payable within 60 days.

19 MR. SHORT: Seconded.

20 CHAIRPERSON ANDERSON: Mr. Short has
21 seconded the motion. Is there any discussion?
22 Hearing none, those in favor say aye. [chorus of

1 ayes]

2 Those opposed? The matter passed 5-zero-
3 zero. Ms. Walker will -- either Ms. Walker or
4 Ms. Jenkins will bring you this document to sign.
5 Thank you very much.

6 (Whereupon the above-entitled matter was
7 concluded.)

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