

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

**In the Matter of:**

CS Bond ST AB-S Holdings, LLC  
t/a The Savoy Suites Hotel

Application for a Substantial Change to  
Retailer's Class CH License

at premises  
2505 Wisconsin Avenue, NW  
Washington, D.C. 20007

Case No. 15-PRO-00080  
License No. ABRA-090804  
Order No. 2015-467

CS Bond ST AB-S Holdings, LLC t/a The Savoy Suites Hotel (Applicant)

Jackie Blumenthal, Chairperson, Advisory Neighborhood Commission (ANC) 3B (Protestant)

Carl Roller, Chairperson, Advisory Neighborhood Commission (ANC) 3C (Protestant)

Paul Cunningham, Designated Representative, Group of Five or More Individuals (Protestant)

**BEFORE:** Ruthanne Miller, Chairperson  
Nick Alberti, Member  
Donald Brooks, Member  
Herman Jones, Member  
Mike Silverstein, Member  
Hector Rodriguez, Member  
James Short, Member

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**ORDER GRANTING GROUP OF FIVE OR MORE INDIVIDUAL'S  
REQUEST FOR REINSTATEMENT OF PROTEST**

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The Application filed by CS Bond ST AB-S Holdings, LLC t/a The Savoy Suites Hotel (Applicant), for a substantial change to its Retailer's Class CH License, having been timely protested, came before the Alcoholic Beverage Control Board (Board) for a Roll Call Hearing on August 24, 2015, in accordance with D.C. Official Code § 25-601 (2015). Six of the protesting residents of the Group of Five or More Individuals, the Advisory Neighborhood Commissions (ANC) 3B and 3C, and the Applicant were present.

On August 24, 2015, the Board dismissed the Group of Five or More Individuals' (Cunningham Group) protest because only the Designated Representative of the Group, Mr. Paul Cunningham, signed the protest letter filed in this matter. *CS Bond ST AB-S Holdings, LLC, t/a The Savoy Suites Hotel*, Case No.: 15-PRO-00080, Board Order No. 2015-404 (D.C.A.B.C.B. Sep. 9, 2015). The printed name and address of each petitioner, accompanied by his or her handwritten signature, is required under 23 DCMR § 1801.2(f).

On September 18, 2015, the Cunningham Group requested Reinstatement. *ABRA Protest File 15-PRO-00080, Request for Reinstatement* dated September 20, 2015. In its request, the Cunningham Group argued that the apparent failure of all protestants to sign the protest was unintended. *Id.* at 1. Further, the Cunningham Group argued that it made reasonable efforts to comply with regulations as detailed on the ABRA website which did not require that every individual sign the protest. *Id.* at 2. The Cunningham Group subsequently filed a protest letter with all requisite signatures. *Id.* at 3. On September 20, 2015, the ANC 3C filed a letter in support of the Cunningham Group's Request for Reinstatement. *ABRA Protest File 15-PRO-00080, ANC Letter of Support* dated September 20, 2015. The Applicant did not oppose the Request for Reinstatement.

In this matter, the Board, in its discretion, finds good cause to reinstate the protest of the Cunningham Group. The Cunningham Group has since perfected its filing and there is no additional harm to the Applicant. Further, as noted by the Cunningham Group, the Board takes administrative notice of Alcoholic Beverage Regulation Administration (ABRA) records which indicate that six protestants of the Cunningham Group appeared for the Roll Call Hearing on August 24, 2015. For these reasons, the Board grants the Cunningham Group's Request for Reinstatement.

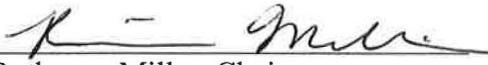
### **ORDER**

The Board does hereby, this 14th day of October, 2015, **GRANTS** the Request for Reinstatement filed by the Cunningham Group.

**IT IS FURTHER ORDERED** that all parties report to mediation scheduled for October 30, 2015 at 10:00 a.m.

Copies of this Order shall be sent to the Applicant, ANC 3B, ANC 3C and the Cunningham Group.

District of Columbia  
Alcoholic Beverage Control Board

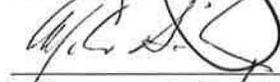
  
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Pursuant to 23 DCMR § 1719.1 (2008), any party adversely affected may file a Motion for Reconsideration of this decision within ten (10) days of service of this Order with the Alcoholic Beverage Regulation Administration, 2000 14th Street, NW, 400S, Washington, D.C. 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).