

MINUTES OF THE ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE CONTROL BOARD
November 15, 2017

On the 15th day of November, 2017, the ABC Board did convene at Little Rock, Arkansas for its regular monthly meeting and in attendance were Freddie Black, Chairman, Jean Hervey, Thomas P. Powell, Jr., Steve Smith, and Jaime Anderson.

Director Mary Robin Casteel briefed the Board about the new wine in grocery stores permit known as Act 508. She stated Judge Miller declined to grant an injunction on a lawsuit that was filed. Issuance of the new permits shall be acted on accordingly.

The Board accepted the Director's Decisions, Private Club Resume, Violation Resume, and Director's recommendations for extension on Inactive Status Letters. Mrs. Jean Hervey made a motion to approve the above mentioned matters. Mr. Jamie Anderson seconded the motion. The Motion passed with a vote of 5-0.

The Board considered the application of Samantha Peek, Shekar & Oinos, 21 Rahling Circle, Little Rock; Large Attendance Facility – New, previously refused on September 21, 2017. Applicant Ms. Samantha Peek was not in attendance for the hearing. Mr. Eric Wynn, a stockholder of the corporation, was present to speak on behalf of this application and Ms. Peek. Mr. Wynn provided testimony and an exhibit in support of this application. No persons were present in opposition of this application. ABC Staff Attorney, Deanna Ray verbally read an emailed letter received by this Agency withdrawing an objection that was previously submitted by Little Rock Police Department and Little Rock Fire Department. After hearing testimony from Mr. Eric Wynn and considering the email withdrawing the objection by L.R.P.D. & L.R.F.D., ABC Board Member Mr. Jaime Anderson recommended a motion to overturn the Director's decision and grant the permit for a Large Attendance Facility. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Jean Hervey. The motion passed with a vote of 5-0.

The Board considered the application of Jordan J. Narvaez, La Potosina Meat Market, 4737 Central, Suites 101 & 102, Hot Springs; New - Beer Off Premises, previously refused on September 21, 2017. In attendance and providing factual testimony about the application were ABC Enforcement Agent Aaron Farmer. Also present and providing testimony and written documentation in support of this application was the applicant, Mr. Jordan J. Narvaez. After considering both parties' testimony, Mrs. Jean Hervey moved to overturn the Director's decision based on the applicant's testimony and proof that he now meets residency requirements. Mrs. Hervey made a motion to grant the license for a new Beer Off Premises permit. Mr. Steve Smith seconded the motion. The motion passed with a vote of 5-0.

The Board considered the application of James Thorpe, Dollar General Store #3370, 565 South Lee Street, Hampton – Beer Off Premises, Change of Manager, previously Refused November 17, 2016, by previous Director, Bud Roberts, based on an objection from the Mayor of Hampton, Arkansas. In attendance in support of this application representing Dollar General Stores were Attorney Ben Shipley and District Manager Kimberly Russell. Both provided testimony about this application. No parties were present in opposition of the application. After hearing all testimony and facts in the case, Mr. Steve Smith recommended a motion to accept and approve the change of

manager. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Jean Hervey. Motion passed with a vote of 5-0.

The Pulaski County Circuit Court, Twelfth Division, remanded back to the ABC Board Alisha A. Jones, El Almacen of Searcy, 1805 East Race, Searcy, Private Club – new for additional testimony. Based on the new testimony the Board voted 5-0 to grant the New Private Club Permit.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

The next meeting of the Alcoholic Beverage Control Board is scheduled for December 20, 2017.

FREDDIE BLACK, CHAIRMAN

MARY ROBIN CASTEEL, DIRECTOR

