

Alcoholic Beverage Control

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NORTH CAROLINA ABC COMMISSION HOLDS REGULAR MEETING

RALEIGH – The North Carolina Alcoholic Beverage Control (ABC) Commission held its regular monthly meeting by conference call on March 16, 2022. Chairman Bauer shared a business update and highlighted continued positive trends. He noted that spirituous liquor deliveries made by the third-party vendor are outpacing depletions over the first eight months of the fiscal year. Chairman Bauer anticipates strong growth in the months ahead and thanked the local ABC boards, ABC staff, and all stakeholders in the system for their diligence and forward-thinking approach.

The Commission ratified 50 hearing cases that resulted in penalties in excess of \$60,000 and/or imposition of suspensions of permits for three days or more. Fines are due on or before April 8, 2022, and suspensions begin April 15, 2022.

The Commission approved a revision to an exemption request pursuant to <u>§18B-1116(b)</u> for 321 Wine, LLC d/b/a Kellogg Selections; Charlotte Wine Co., LLC d/b/a Bar A Vins; Jeff Kellogg and Stephanie Kellogg.

The Commission approved an exemption request pursuant to <u>§18B-1116(b)</u> for Wehrloom, LLC; Wehrloom-AVL, LLC; Jessica Wehr and Aron Wehr.

The Commission approved agreements for advertising at Truist Point, Truist Stadium, and Koka Booth Amphitheatre.

The Commission considered and adopted the proposed permanent Expand Allowable Growler Size rule – 14B NCAC 15C .0307(a). The rule will be filed with the Office of Administrative Hearings for approval by the Rules Review Commission and publication in the NC Administrative Code.

The Commission approved June 8, July 13, August 10, and September 7 of 2022 as future Commission Meeting dates.

The Commission also confirmed the next monthly Commission meeting will be held remotely by conference call / WebEx on Wednesday, April 13, 2022.

ABOUT THE NC ABC COMMISSION

North Carolina is one of 17 states to regulate alcohol through a control system. Since 1937, the North Carolina Alcoholic Beverage Control Commission has provided regulation and control over the sale, purchase, transportation, manufacture, consumption, and possession of alcoholic beverages in the state of North Carolina. <u>http://abc.nc.gov</u>.

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