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**NORTH CAROLINA ABC COMMISSION ISSUES SUMMARY
SUSPENSION OF ABC PERMITS AT CHARLOTTE BUSINESS**

RALEIGH – The North Carolina Alcoholic Beverage Control Commission suspended the ABC permits for a Charlotte business, El Centenario Night Club, on October 3. The suspension came as a result of a review of sworn statements submitted by special agents of North Carolina Alcohol Law Enforcement (ALE) and Charlotte-Mecklenburg Police Department (CMPD) officers, as well as a notarized statement from the Mecklenburg County Health Director and a declaration of State Health Director and Chief Medical Officer of the North Carolina Department of Health and Human Services.

El Centenario Night Club, at 5920-C North Tryon Street, Charlotte, has held ABC permits since September 2013.

The summary suspension is immediate and is in effect until the case is heard by the Office of Administrative Hearings. The action is authorized under N.C. General Statute 150B-3(c), which states: "The proceedings shall be promptly commenced and determined."

This is the third summary suspension issued this year by the NC ABC Commission and is part of the Commission's ongoing focus on public health and public safety.

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. <http://abc.nc.gov>.

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