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NORTH CAROLINA ABC COMMISSION ISSUES SUMMARY SUSPENSION FOR ABC PERMITS AT SANFORD BUSINESS

RALEIGH – Following a fatal stabbing on January 9, 2019, 'The Backdoor' club in Sanford has had its ABC permits suspended. The North Carolina Alcoholic Beverage Control Commission suspended the permits January 11 after reviewing the sworn statements of the Sanford Police Department and the work completed by Alcohol Law Enforcement personnel.

The Backdoor, at 105 East Main Street, Sanford, has held its current ABC permits since September 2017.

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 first 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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