Subject: Co-licensees

As explained in Advisory 2021-23, entities that have receive a percentage of the revenue of a licensed business may be required to be included on the license as a principal. Advisory 2021-23 refers to such an entity as a “co-licensee.” The purpose of this advisory is to provide guidance to applicants and licensees regarding how these entities will be included on the license.

The relationship between the entity/co-licensee and the licensee will not be considered a “partnership.” As a result, the deed/lease and other relevant documents need only be in the name of the licensee. Changes (removal, addition, etc.) in the co-licensee can be accomplished through the filing of an endorsement application.

Co-licensees are reminded that they, along with the licensee, will be considered a responsible party for any violations of the Alcoholic Beverage Control Law or the Rules of the Authority at the licensed premises.

This matter was heard and determined by the Members of the Authority at a Full Board meeting held on August 31, 2022 before Chairman Vincent Bradley, Commissioner Lily Fan, and Commissioner Greeley Ford. The above written advisory was approved by the Members of the Authority on August 31, 2022.

Dated: 09/01/22

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