

*Commonwealth of Massachusetts  
Alcoholic Beverages Control Commission  
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Chelsea, Massachusetts 02150-2358*

**Jean M. Lorizio, Esq.**  
*Chairman*

**DECISION**

**AJ'S TRAILSIDE PUB INC.  
12 PLEASANT STREET  
ADAMS, MA 01220  
LICENSE#: 02848-RS-0010  
VIOLATION DATE: 6/22/2022  
HEARD: 10/18/2022**

AJ's Trailside Pub Inc. ("Licensee") holds an alcohol license issued pursuant to M.G.L. c. 138, § 12. The Alcoholic Beverages Control Commission ("ABCC" or "Commission") held a remote hearing via Microsoft Teams on Tuesday, October 18, 2022, regarding an alleged violation of 204 CMR 2.05 (2) Permitting an illegality on the licensed premises, to wit: M.G.L. Ch. 138, § 34 Sale or Delivery of an alcoholic beverage to a person under twenty-one years of age. Prior to the commencement of the hearing, the Licensee stipulated to the facts alleged in Investigator Keefe's Report.

The following documents are in evidence:

1. Investigator Keefe's Minimum Purchase Age Compliance Check Field Report;
2. Licensee's Accela Summary, License Transfer Approved, 11/9/2016;
3. Licensee's Stipulation of Facts.

There is one (1) audio recording of this hearing.

**FINDINGS OF FACT**

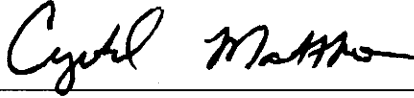
1. On Wednesday, June 22, 2022, at approximately 6:48 p.m., Investigator Keefe ("Investigator"), inspected the business operation of AJ's Trailside Pub Inc.
2. An underage operative, working under the supervision of the Investigator, purchased an alcoholic beverage, one Coors Light Draft beer for three dollars (\$3.00). The underage operative was not asked for identification.
3. Benjamin Hansen, co-owner of the Licensee entity, appeared at the Commission hearing. Mr. Hansen testified that the Licensee was understaffed that evening and has since ensured that the establishment is staffed appropriately.

### CONCLUSION

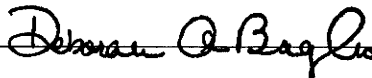
Based on the evidence, the Commission finds the Licensee violated 204 CMR 2.05 (2) Permitting an illegality on the licensed premises, to wit: M.G.L. Ch. 138, § 34 Sale or Delivery of an alcoholic beverage to a person under twenty-one years of age. Therefore, the Commission issues a **WARNING**.

### **ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES CONTROL COMMISSION**

Crystal Matthews, Commissioner

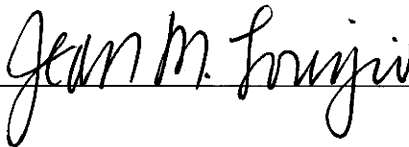


Deborah A. Baglio, Commissioner



I, the undersigned, hereby certify that I have reviewed the hearing record and concur with the above decision.

Jean M. Lorizio, Chairman



Dated: October 27, 2022

You have the right to appeal this decision to the Superior Courts under the provisions of Chapter 30A of the Massachusetts General Laws within thirty (30) days of receipt of this decision.

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