

Commonwealth of Massachusetts Alcoholic Beverages Control Commission 95 Fourth Street, Suite 3 Chelsea, Massachusetts 02150-2358

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NOTICE OF SUSPENSION

September 24, 2019

FUCHENG CATERING (USA) CO. LTD. D/B/A PURPLE BAMBOO 265 BOSTON ROAD BILLERICA, MA 01821 LICENSE#: 010600075 VIOLATION DATE: 5/29/2019 HEARD: 9/10/2019

After a hearing on September 10, 2019, the Commission finds Fucheng Catering (USA) Co. Ltd. d/b/a Purple Bamboo violated 204 CMR 2.05 (2) Permitting an Illegality on the licensed premises, to wit: M.G.L. c. 138, § 23- Sale of alcoholic beverages other than those purchased under §18 or §19 or from a holder of a special permit under § 22A (2 Counts).

The Commission suspends the license for five (5) days of which two (2) days will be served and three (3) days will be held in abeyance for a period of two (2) years provided no further violations of Chapter 138 or Commission Regulations occur.

The suspension shall commence on Tuesday, November 12, 2019 and terminate on Wednesday, November 13, 2019. The license will be delivered to the Local Licensing Board or its designee on Tuesday, November 12, 2019 at 9:00 A.M. It will be returned to the licensee on November 14, 2019.

You are advised that pursuant to the provisions of M.G.L. c.138 §23, you may petition the Commission to accept an offer in compromise in lieu of suspension within twenty (20) calendar days following such notice of such suspension. If accepted, you may pay a fine using the enclosed form which must be signed by the Licensee and a Massachusetts Licensed Accountant.

You are advised that you have the right to appeal this decision under M.G.L. c. 30A to Superior Court within thirty (30) days upon receipt of this notice.

ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES CONTROL COMMISSION

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cc: Local Licensing Board Frederick G. Mahony, Chief Investigator Kyle E. Gill, Esq., Associate General Counsel Timothy Hooton, Investigator Caroline Guarino Wilichoski, Investigator Administration, File



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DECISION

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Fucheng Catering (USA) Co. Ltd. d/b/a Purple Bamboo (the "Licensee") holds an alcohol license issued pursuant to M.G.L. c. 138, § 12. The Alcoholic Beverages Control Commission (the "Commission") held a hearing on Tuesday, September, 10, 2019, regarding an alleged violation of 204 CMR 2.05 (2) Permitting an Illegality on the licensed premises, to wit: M.G.L. c. 138, § 23- Sale of alcoholic beverages other than those purchased under §18 or §19 or from a holder of a special permit under § 22A (2 Count). Prior to the commencement of the hearing, the Licensee stipulated to the facts alleged in Investigator Hooton's Report.

The following documents are in evidence:

- 1. Investigator Hooton's Investigative Report;
- 2. Licensee's Stipulation of Facts;
- 3. Receipt for Purchase of Alcohol;
- 4. Receipt for Purchase of Alcohol; and
- 5. Copy of Licensee's Application Approved 4/16/2015.

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

FINDINGS OF FACT

- 1. On Wednesday, May 29, 2019, at approximately 2:15 p.m., Investigators Wilichoski and Hooton ("Investigators") conducted an investigation of the business operation of Fucheng Catering (USA) Co. Ltd. d/b/a Purple Bamboo to determine the manner in which its business was being conducted and to investigate a complaint filed with this Commission.
- 2. Investigators entered the licensed premises and identified themselves to the owner, Julian Zhao, and asked to see some of the wholesalers' invoices for liquor purchases.

- 3. Investigators then asked Mr. Zhao if he ever goes to a § 15 retail package store to purchase his alcoholic beverages. Zhao informed Investigators that on occasion he has gone to the New Hampshire State Liquor Store to purchase alcohol.
- 4. Zhao then gave to Investigators two receipts, one dated 4/3/2019 and the other receipt dated 5/15/2019, from the New Hampshire State Liquor Store. The total for these purchases of various brands of alcoholic beverages was \$764.65.
- 5. Investigators informed Mr. Zhao of the violation and that a report would be filed with the Chief Investigator for further action.
- 6. The Licensee has held a license under M.G.L. c. 138, § 12 since 2015 with no prior violations.

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. c. 138, § 23- Sale of alcoholic beverages other than those purchased under §18 or §19 or from a holder of a special permit under § 22A (2 Counts). Therefore, the Commission suspends the license for five (5) days of which two (2) days will be served and three (3) days will be held in abeyance for a period of two (2) years provided no further violations of Chapter 138 or Commission Regulations occur.

ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES CONTROL COMMISSION
Jean M. Lorizio, Chairman Han M. Kumi
Kathleen McNally, Commissioner Kathleen McMilly

Dated: September 24, 2019

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