

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

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DECISION

JOHN J SOMERS CO. INC. D/B/A GREEN DRAGON TAVERN 11 MARSHALL STREET BOSTON, MA 02108

LICENSE#: 00520-RS-0116 VIOLATION DATE: 3/16/2024

HEARD: 6/25/2024

John J Somers Co. Inc. d/b/a Green Dragon Tavern ("Licensee" or "Green Dragon") 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, June 25, 2024, regarding an alleged violation of 204 CMR 2.05(2) Permitting an illegality on the licensed premises, to wit: Ch. 138 § 34C – Possession of an alcoholic beverage by a person under twenty-one (21) years of age (1 Count). Prior to the commencement of the hearing the Licensee stipulated to the facts in Investigator Keefe's Report.

The following documents are in evidence:

- 1. Investigative Report of D. Keefe;
- 2. ABCC Form 43, Transfer of License Approval 6/22/1993;
- 3. Licensee's Stipulation of Facts;
- 4. Photograph of Fraudulent Identification.

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

FINDINGS OF FACT

- 1. On Saturday, March 16, 2024, at approximately 3:20 p.m., Special Investigators Di Cicco and Keefe ("Investigators") inspected the business operation of John J Somers Co. Inc. d/b/a Green Dragon Tavern ("Licensee" or "Green Dragon").
- 2. Investigators entered the licensed premises and observed a group of youthful appearing male individuals in possession of what appeared to be alcoholic beverages. Investigators identified themselves and asked to see proof of legal age.

- 3. Underage #1, actual date of birth 5/14/2003 (age 20), was in possession of a Coors Light beer. He presented to Investigators a fraudulent Florida driver's license bearing his name but a different birthdate.
- 4. Investigators informed the manager on duty of the violations and that a report would be submitted to the Chief Investigator for further review.
- 5. Noelle Somers, Licensee, appeared at the Commission hearing.
- 6. The Licensee has held a license under M.G.L. c. 138, § 12 since 1993, nearly thirty years, 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: Ch. 138 § 34C—Possession of an alcoholic beverage by a person under twenty-one (21) years of age (1 Count). Therefore, the Commission issues a WARNING.

ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES CONTROL COMMISSION

Jean M. Lorizio, Chairman

Deborah Baglio, Commissioner

Dated: November 19, 2024

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