

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

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DECISION

WESTLAND WINE AND SPIRITS INC. D/B/A WESTLAND PACKAGE STORE

229 CHELMSFORD STREET CHELMSFORD, MA 01852 LICENSE#: 00025-PK-0200 VIOLATION DATE: 5/24/2023

HEARD: 10/24/2023

Westland Wine and Spirits Inc. d/b/a Westland Package Store ("Licensee") holds an alcohol license issued pursuant to M.G.L. c. 138, § 15. The Alcoholic Beverages Control Commission ("ABCC" or "Commission") held a remote hearing via Microsoft Teams on Tuesday, October 24, 2023, 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 Investigators Velez and Binienda's Minimum Purchase Age Compliance Check Field Report.

The following documents are in evidence:

- 1. Investigators Velez and Binienda's Minimum Purchase Age Compliance Check Field Report, 5/24/2023;
- 2. ABCC Form 43, License Transfer Approval, 4/17/2001;
- 3. ABCC Decision, 8/10/2010;
- 4. Licensee's Stipulation of Facts.
- A. TIPS Certificate of Completion for K. Huoth.

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

FINDINGS OF FACT

- 1. On Wednesday, May 24, 2023, at approximately 4:43 p.m., Investigators Binienda and Velez ("Investigators") conducted a compliance check at Westland Wine and Spirits Inc. d/b/a Westland Package Store.
- 2. An underage operative, working under the supervision of Investigators, purchased an alcoholic beverage, one 24-ounce can of Twisted Tea malt beverage for three dollars and fifty cents (\$3.50). The underage operative was not asked for identification.

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- 3. Melany Huoth, Licensee, appeared at the Commission hearing.
- 4. The Licensee has held a license under M.G.L. c. 138, § 15 since 2001 with one prior violation which occurred more than 10 years ago.

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. As a result, the Commission issues a **WARNING**.

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Dated: November 7, 2023

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