

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts Department of the State Treasurer Alcoholic Beverages Control Commission Boston, Massachusetts 02114

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## **DECISION**

OTAJAS, INC. D/B/A CENTRO LIQUORS 395 ESSEX ST LYNN, MA 01901 LICENSE#: 063800122

VIOLATION DATE: 03/29/2016 **HEARING DATE: 05/31/2016** 

Otajas, Inc. d/b/a Centro Liquors (the "Licensee") holds an alcohol license issued pursuant to M.G.L. c. 138, §15. The Alcoholic Beverages Control Commission (the "Commission") held a hearing on Tuesday, May 31, 2016, regarding an alleged violation of 204 CMR 2.05 (2) -Permitting an illegality on the licensed premises, to wit: M.G.L. c. 138, §34 - Sale or delivery of an alcoholic beverage to a person under twenty-one (21) years of age. commencement of the hearing, the Licensee stipulated to the violation alleged in Investigator Kujawski's Report.

The following documents are in evidence:

- 1. Investigator Kujawski's Compliance Check Field Report dated March 29, 2016; and
- 2. Licensee's Stipulation of Facts.
- A. Licensee's Certificate of M.A.D.D.

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

The Commission took Administrative Notice of the Licensee's record.

## **FACTS**

- 1. On Tuesday, March 29, 2016, at approximately 6:29 p.m., Investigators Di Cicco and Kujawski investigated the business operation of Otajas, Inc. d/b/a Centro Liquors.
- 2. An underage operative, working with Investigators, purchased from the Licensee an alcoholic beverage, a bottle of Budweiser Light beer, for two dollars and fifty cents (\$2.50). The underage operative was not asked for identification.

## **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, §34 – Sale or delivery of an alcoholic beverage to a person under twenty-one (21) years of age. Therefore, the Commission suspends the license for three (3) days of which 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

Elizabeth A. Lashway, Commissioner 2000

Dated: June 1, 2016

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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