



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

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

**DECISION**

**SHREEJI KRUPA LLC D/B/A BEST BUY BEVERAGE  
16 ECHO ROAD  
MASHPEE, MA 02649  
LICENSE#: 00042-PK-0670  
VIOLATION DATE: 6/07/2019  
HEARING DATE: 10/29/2019**

Shreeji Krupa LLC d/b/a Best Buy Beverage (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, October 29, 2019, regarding an alleged violation of M.G.L. c. 138, § 34 – Sale or delivery of an alcoholic beverage to a person under twenty-one (21) years of age (1 Count). Prior to the commencement of the hearing, the Licensee stipulated to the violation alleged in Investigator Velez's Report.

The following documents are in evidence:

1. Investigator Velez's Report;
2. Licensee's Stipulation of Facts;
3. Transfer of License Approval, 6/14/2007;
4. Copy of Fraudulent Maine Driver's License;
5. RMV Printout of Minor.

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

**FINDINGS OF FACT**

1. On Friday, June 7, 2019, at approximately 2:00 p.m., Investigators Binienda and Velez ("Investigators") investigated the business operation of Shreeji Krupa LLC d/b/a Best Buy Beverage to determine the manner in which its business was being conducted.
2. While outside the licensed premises, Investigators observed a youthful looking female individual enter the store and, minutes later, this female individual exited the premises in possession of alcoholic beverages.
3. Investigators approached the female individual, identified themselves, and asked to see identification.

4. Underage #1, actual date of birth 1/02/2001 (age 18) was in possession of two 1.75 liter of Svedka Strawberry Lemonade vodka. She presented to Investigators a fraudulent Maine driver's license.
5. Investigators entered the licensed premises, spoke with the owner, Mahendra Patel, and advised him of the violation and that a report would be filed with the Chief Investigator for further action.
6. Mr. Mahendra Patel is the husband of Chetna Patel, who is the sole LLC member. Chetna Patel authorized Mahendra Patel to appear at the Commission hearing on her behalf.
7. Mr. Patel testified that he sold the alcoholic beverage to the minor. He stated that he asked the underage patron a couple of questions before making the sale, and he believed that she was twenty-one (21) years of age.
8. The Licensee has held a license under M.G.L. c. 138, § 15 since 2007 with no prior violations.

#### CONCLUSION

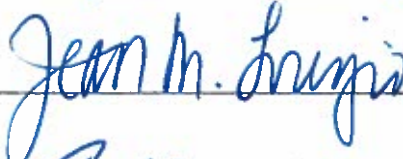
Based on the evidence, the Commission finds the Licensee violated M.G.L. c. 138, § 34 – Sale or delivery of an alcoholic beverage to a person under twenty-one (21) years of age. The Commission issues a **WARNING**.

#### **ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES CONTROL COMMISSION**

Kathleen McNally, Commissioner



Jean M. Lorizio, Chairman



Crystal Matthews, Commissioner



Dated: October 31, 2019

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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