

Re: Kenneth J. Hoggins
KWG, Inc.
D/B/A: Ken's Wine Guide.com
Premises: 6 MacLeod Lane
City/Town: Acton, MA 01720

**MEMORANDUM AND ORDER ON
APPLICATION FOR SPECIAL PERMIT PURSUANT TO
M.G.L. c. 138, § 22A**

Various wineries send Kenneth J. Hoggins of KWG, Inc. d.b.a. Ken's Wine Guide.com, 6 MacLeod Lane, Acton, MA 01720 free wine samples (the "Samples") for review and publication of his assessment of the wines. On or about December 20, 2010, Mr. Hoggins contacted the Alcoholic Beverages Control Commission (the "Commission") requesting permission to apply for and obtain a single special permit for the year to conduct these reviews.

In the past, Mr. Hoggins has applied for separate special permits under General Laws Chapter 138, § 22A for each Sample he received. A review of Commission records for calendar year 2008 shows that Mr. Hoggins generally paid less than \$5.00 for each special permit. General Laws chapter 138, § 22A provides, in pertinent part, that "[u]pon payment of a fee to be fixed by the commission in each case and subject to such terms and conditions as it may prescribe, it ... may grant to any individual a permit which shall authorize him to import any alcoholic beverages specified therein which are acquired otherwise than by purchase and are not intended for sale."

Based on the information supplied by Mr. Hoggins and the review of Commission records regarding Mr. Hoggins' applications in calendar year 2008 for a series of §22A special permits, the Commission grants a special permit to Kenneth J. Hoggins of 6 MacLeod Lane, Acton, MA for the calendar year 2011 based on the following terms and conditions:

- 1) Mr. Hoggins must pay a non-refundable fee of \$50.00, against which the costs of each episode of importation of these Samples will be charged; such costs include the fee for the exercise of the special permit granted herein as well as the taxes due on any such importation;
- 2) Mr. Hoggins shall submit an additional non-refundable fee of \$50.00 on or before

the initial \$50.00 non-refundable fee is expended, against which additional costs occurring thereafter will be charged; and,

- 3) Mr. Hoggins will comply with all laws of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES CONTROL COMMISSION

Kim S. Gainsboro, Chairman _____

Robert H. Cronin, Commissioner _____

Susan Corcoran, Commissioner _____

Dated in Boston, Massachusetts this 21st day of December 2010.

cc: File