

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

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DECISION

THOMAS F. WAUGH (INDIVIDUAL) D/B/A STATZ RESTAURANT & LOUNGE 341 NORTH MAIN STREET NORTH BROOKFIELD, MA 01535

LICENSE#: 00021-RS-0836 VIOLATION DATE: 6/08/2022

HEARD: 9/20/2022

Thomas F. Waugh (Individual) d/b/a Statz Restaurant & Lounge ("Licensee") 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, September 20, 2022, 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 Investigator Keefe's Compliance Check Field Report.

The following documents are in evidence:

- 1. Investigator Keefe's Minimum Purchase Age Compliance Check Field Report;
- 2. ABCC Form 43, New License Approval, 4/9/2009;
- 3. Licensee's Stipulation of Facts.

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

FINDINGS OF FACT

- 1. On Wednesday, June 8, 2022, at approximately 7:22 p.m., Investigator Keefe ("Investigators"), inspected the business operation of Thomas F. Waugh d/b/a Statz Restaurant & Lounge.
- 2. An underage operative, working under the supervision of the Investigator, purchased an alcoholic beverage, one bottle of Bud Light beer for four dollars (\$4.00). The underage operative was not asked for identification.
- 3. Robert Haynes appeared at the Commission hearing on behalf of the Licensee. He testified employees have since received TIPS certification.

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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. Therefore, the Commission issues a **WARNING.**

ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES CONTROL COMMISSION

Jean M. Lorizio, Chairman	M. Foregio	
Crystal Matthews, Commissioner		- 10
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Dated: October 6, 2022

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