

# Commonwealth of Massachusetts Alcoholic Beverages Control Commission 239 Causeway Street Boston, Massachusetts 02114 Tel. (617) 727-3040 Fax: (617) 727-1510

## NOTICE OF SUSPENSION

December 6, 2018

DANIEL SHAYS PACKAGE STORE INC. 297 DANIEL SHAYS HIGHWAY ORANGE, MA 01364 LICENSE#: 0932-00022

HEARD: 11/13/2018

After a hearing on November 13, 2018, the Commission finds Daniel Shays Package Store Inc. violated M.G.L. c. 10 § 33, 961 CMR 2:20 (1). Therefore, the Commission SUSPENDS the license of Daniel Shays Package Store Inc. for six (6) months.

The suspension shall commence on Thursday, December 6, 2019 and terminate on Monday, May 6, 2019. The license will be returned to the Licensee on Tuesday, May 7, 2019.

You are advised that pursuant to the provisions of M.G.L. c.138 § 23, you may petition the Commission to accept an offer in compromise in lieu of suspension within twenty (20) calendar days following such notice of such suspension. If accepted, you may pay a fine using the enclosed form which must be signed by the Licensee and a Massachusetts Licensed Accountant.

You are advised that you have the right to appeal this decision under M.G.L. c. 30A to Superior Court within thirty (30) days upon receipt of this notice.

ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES CONTROL COMMISSION

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**DECISION** 

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LICENSE#: 0932-00022 HEARD: 11/13/2018

Daniel Shays Package Store Inc. (the "Licensee" or "Shays Package Store") holds an alcohol license issued pursuant to M.G.L. c. 138, § 15. The Alcoholic Beverages Control Commission (the "Commission" or "ABCC") held a hearing on Tuesday, November 13, 2018, regarding an alleged violation of M.G.L. c. 10 § 33, 961 CMR 2:20 (1) – All tickets provided to the Licensed Sales Agent by the Lottery<sup>1</sup>, and all proceeds from the sale of such tickets, shall at all times remain the exclusive property of the Lottery. All such proceeds shall be deposited by the Sales Agent into the trust account established pursuant to 961 CMR 2.16 (1), at such times and on such terms as the Director may from time to time require.

The following documents are in evidence:

- 1. Investigator Carey's Investigative Report; and
- 2. Lottery Records re: Outstanding Balance.

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

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

# **FINDINGS OF FACT**

- 1. John DeSimas, Director of Credit and Collections for the Lottery, contacted the ABCC's Enforcement Division for assistance in bringing this former state lottery sales agent in compliance. (Exhibit 1)
- 2. On September 7, 2018, the Alcoholic Beverages Control Commission notified the Licensee, Daniel Shays Package Store Inc., via first class mail, that a hearing would be

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Massachusetts State Lottery Commission is commonly referred to as "the Lottery."

held on Tuesday, October 9, 2018 at 11:30 a.m., regarding alleged violations of M.G.L. c. 10 § 33, 961 CMR 2:20.

- 3. On October 4, 2018, John DeSimas, on behalf of the Lottery, requested a continuance for the October 9<sup>th</sup> hearing as the Lottery was attempting to resolve the outstanding financial issue with the Licensee.
- 4. The Commission allowed the Lottery's request, and a hearing notice for the new date, Tuesday, November 13, 2018, was mailed to the Licensee.
- 5. The Lottery revoked Daniel Shays Package Store's Sales Agent license and removed the Lottery machines from the licensed premises. (Exhibit 2)
- 6. Attorney Dennis Kirwan appeared for the Massachusetts State Lottery (the "Lottery") and informed the Commission that Shays Package Store owes the Lottery more than \$33,000. (Testimony & Exhibit 2)
- 7. The Lottery and Shays Package Store have been in regular contact. (Testimony)
- 8. The Licensee made payments to the Lottery on 5/23/2018, 6/18/2018 and 7/17/2018 but still owes the Lottery more than \$33,000. (Testimony)
- 9. The Licensee testified that she has been a Lottery agent for approximately 34 years and this is the first instance of an overdue balance. (Testimony)
- 10. Attorney Kirwan requested that the Commission suspend the license for 6 months allowing the Lottery to bring the matter back before the Commission, if and when the Licensee makes payment or enters into a payment plan satisfactory to the Lottery. (Testimony)

### CONCLUSION

Based on the evidence, the Commission finds the Licensee violated M.G.L. c. 10 § 33, 961 CMR 2:20 (1). Therefore, the Commission adopts the recommendation of the Lottery and SUSPENDS the license of Daniel Shays Package Store Inc. for six (6) months.

Any change to this disposition, as a result of payment in full or the imposition of a payment plan satisfactory to the Lottery, must be requested in writing and acted upon by the Commission before the license will be reinstated.

The Commission advises that the Lottery shall provide the Commission with an update as to the status of the debt by April 30, 2019. If need be, the Commission will schedule a 2<sup>nd</sup> hearing on this matter and could take further action which may include extending or limiting the six (6) month suspension.

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Dated: December 6, 2018

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