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

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# **NOTICE OF SUSPENSION**

November 20, 2013

KNOX TRAIL INN, LLC 1898 EAST OTIS ROAD OTIS, MA 01253 LICENSE#: 093600015

VIOLATION DATE: 06/17/2013

HEARD: 11/19/2013

After a hearing on November 19, 2013, the Commission finds Knox Trail Inn, LLC in violation of 204 CMR 2.05 (2) Permitting an Illegality on the licensed premises, to wit: c. 138 §34 Sale or Delivery of an Alcoholic Beverage to a person under twenty-one (21) years of age.

The Commission suspends the licensee's license for a total of five (5) days to be served. The suspension shall commence on Wednesday, January 8, 2014 and terminate on Sunday, January 12, 2014. The license will be delivered to the Local Licensing Board or its designee on Wednesday, January 8, 2014 at 9:00 A.M. It will be returned to the licensee Monday, January 13, 2014.

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. All checks must be certified and accompanied by the enclosed form, which must be signed by 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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HEARD: 11/19/2013

Knox Trail Inn, LLC (the "Licensee") holds an alcohol license issued pursuant to M.G.L. c. 138, §12. The Alcoholic Beverages Control Commission (the "Commission") held a hearing on Tuesday, November 19, 2013, regarding an alleged violation of 204 CMR 2.05 (2) Permitting an Illegality on the licensed premises, to wit: c. 138 §34 Sale or Delivery of an Alcoholic Beverage to a person under twenty-one (21) years of age. Prior to the commencement of the hearing, the licensee stipulated to the violation alleged in Investigator Keefe's Report.

The following documents are in evidence:

- 1. Investigator Keefe's Compliance Check Field Report dated June 19, 2013; and
- 2. Licensee's Stipulation of Facts.

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

### **FACTS**

- On Wednesday, June 19, 2013, at approximately 5:53 p.m., Investigators Kujawski and Keefe conducted an investigation of the business operation of Knox Trail Inn, LLC.
- 2. An underage operative, working with investigators, purchased an alcoholic beverage, a bottle of Budweiser Light beer for three dollars (\$3.00). 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: 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 four (4) days of which two (2) days will be served and two (2) days will be held in abeyance for a period of two (2) years provided no further violations of Chapter 138 or Commission Regulations occur.

By decision dated November 8, 2011, the Commission had previously ordered a three (3) day license suspension but had held the suspension in abeyance for a period of two (2) years provided no further violations occurred. Based on the violation found above, the licensee violated the conditions of that three (3) day suspension being held in abeyance. The Commission hereby orders that suspension to be served on and after the two (2) day suspension. The licensee will serve a total five (5) days.

## ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES CONTROL COMMISSION

Kathleen McNally, Commissioner

I, the undersigned, hereby certify that Wave reviewed the hearing record and concur with the above decision

Susan Corcoran, Commissioner

Dated: November 20, 2013

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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