

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

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DECISION

APPLE NEW ENGLAND LLC D/B/A APPLEBEES NEIGHBORHOOD GRILL & BAR 1349 BOSTON ROAD SPRINGFIELD, MA 01119 LICENSE#: 00326-RS-1226

VIOLATION DATE: 6/12/2023

HEARD: 11/28/2023

Apple New England LLC D/B/A Applebees Neighborhood Grill & Bar ("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, November 28, 2023, 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 Investigators Guarino and Fleming's Minimum Purchase Age Compliance Check Field Report.

The following documents are in evidence:

- 1. Investigators Guarino and Fleming's Minimum Purchase Age Compliance Check Field Report, 6/12/2023;
- 2. ABCC Form 43, Transfer of License Approval, 10/19/2011;
- 3. Licensee's Stipulation of Facts.

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

FINDINGS OF FACT

- On Monday, June 12, 2023, at approximately 6:58 p.m., Investigators Fleming and Guarino ("Investigators") conducted a compliance check at Apple New England LLC D/B/A Applebees Neighborhood Grill & Bar.
- 2. An underage operative, working under the supervision of Investigators, purchased an alcoholic beverage, one Bud Light draft beer, for five dollars (\$5.00). The underage operative was not asked for identification.
- 3. The Licensee has held a license under M.G.L. c. 138, § 12 since 2011 with no prior violations.

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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. As a result, the Commission issues a **WARNING.**

ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES CONTROL COMMISSION

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Deborah A. Baglio, Commissioner Deboral Q Baglio	

Dated: January 3, 2024

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