



*Commonwealth of Massachusetts*  
*Alcoholic Beverages Control Commission*  
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**Jean M. Lorizio, Esq.**  
*Chairman*

**DECISION**

**SPRINGFIELD LIQUOR MART INC. D/B/A SPRINGFIELD LIQUOR MART**  
**1785 ALLEN STREET**  
**SPRINGFIELD, MA 01118**  
**LICENSE#: 00169-PK-1226**  
**VIOLATION DATE: 6/12/2023**  
**HEARD: 11/28/2023**

Springfield Liquor Mart Inc. d/b/a Springfield Liquor Mart ("Licensee") holds an alcohol license issued pursuant to M.G.L. c. 138, § 15. 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 License Confirming Transfer of License Approved, 4/6/1962;
3. Local Board Decision, 1/2/2004;
4. Licensee's Stipulation of Facts.

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

**FINDINGS OF FACT**

1. On Monday, June 12, 2023, at approximately 5:28 p.m., Investigators Fleming and Guarino ("Investigators") conducted a compliance check at Springfield Liquor Mart Inc. d/b/a Springfield Liquor Mart.
2. An underage operative, working under the supervision of Investigators, purchased an alcoholic beverage, one 24-ounce Bud Light beer, for three dollars and twenty-five cents (\$3.25). The underage operative was not asked for identification.
3. Jerome Shanahan, Licensee, appeared at the Commission hearing and testified that all employees have since been recertified via TIPS training, he has posted signs on the doors

of the store instructing customers to have their identification ready and an identification scanner is utilized in helping to assess identifications.

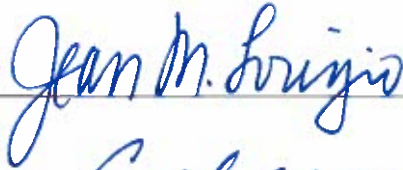
4. The Licensee has held a license under M.G.L. c. 138, § 15 since 1962 with no prior violations.

### 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**

Jean M. Lorizio, Chairman



Crystal Matthews, Commissioner



Deborah A. Baglio, Commissioner



Dated: January 2, 2024

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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