STATE OF CONNECTICUT

DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER PROTECTION

IN THE MATTER OF

Matthew Bailey, Permittee COBA Investment Group LLC, Backer Aqua Sports Bar Permit No. LCA.6735 Docket No. 08-1045

Case No. 2007-6016 August 26, 2008

MEMORANDUM OF DECISION

This matter involves a café liquor permit issued to Aqua Sports Bar, 9 Tilley Street, New London, Connecticut. A formal administrative hearing was held before the Department of Consumer Protection on July 24, 2008, at which time Matthew Bailey, permittee and member of the backer limited liability company, appeared with Wayne Cosentino who is also a member of the backer limited liability company.

The alleged violation came to the attention of the Department of Consumer Protection by way of a police referral from the New London Police Department. It is alleged that on or about August 3, 2007, the Respondent violated Sec. 30-91(e) of the Connecticut General Statutes. The Liquor Control Act vests in the Commission a liberal discretionary power to determine factual matters with regard to liquor permits. Gulia v. Liquor Control Commission, 164 Conn. 537, 325 A.2d 455 (1973). Based upon the testimony and documents presented at the hearing, the charge is dismissed.

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LIQUOR CONTROL COMMISSION

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