



**TENNESSEE ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE COMMISSION  
MINUTES  
THURSDAY, JUNE 30  
1:00 p.m.**

The June 2022 meeting was held on June 30, 2022 at 1:00 p.m. in Nashville, TN. Chairwoman Roberts, Commissioner Tomita, and Commissioner Hamilton were present. In attendance on behalf of TABC staff were the following: Director Thomas, Assistant Director Tabatha Blackwell, Counsel Mercurio, Legislation, Policy and Communication Director Aaron Rummage and Deputy Chief Brent Clayton.

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**1. REVIEW/APPROVAL OF THE MAY 25 COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES**

**Discussion/Action Taken: Commissioner Hamilton moved to approve the minutes and the motion was seconded. The motion passed with three eyes.**

**2. RETAIL MATTERS**

**1. JACK'S LIQUOR  
LIVINGSTON, TENNESSEE (OVERTON COUNTY)**

Applicant: Ganesh 1997 Inc  
Member(s): Jagadish Patel (100%)

Before the Commission is a request for approval of a new retail package store licensee to be located at 851 W Main St, Livingston, TN 38570. The TABC staff recommends conditional approval of the license subject to:

- a. certificate of occupancy
- b. inspection
- c. agent review
- d. license fee

**Discussion/Action Taken:** Director Thomas summarized the request and recommended conditional approval subject to certificate of occupancy, inspection, executed lease and payment of the license fee. Commissioner



Tomita moved approval subject to certificate of occupancy, inspection, agent review and payment of the license fee and the motion was seconded. The motion passed with three ayes.

**2. CADDY'S DISCOUNT LIQUORS  
CLARKSVILLE, TENNESSEE (MONTGOMERY COUNTY)**

Applicant: Shankara LLC  
Member(s): Chandrakantbhai Patel (100%)

Current licensee: Seven Seas, Inc d/b/a Caddy's Discount Liquors

Proposed licensee: Shankara LLC d/b/a Caddy's Discount Liquors

Before the Commission is a request for approval of a retail package store licensee to be located at 1960 Madison St, Suite M, Clarksville, TN 37043. The applicant is acquiring the package store from the existing licensee owned by Seven Seas, Inc. The TABC staff recommends conditional approval of the license subject to:

- a. agent review
- b. license fee

**Discussion/Action Taken:** Director Thomas summarized the request and recommended conditional approval subject to agent review and payment of the license fee. Commissioner Hamilton moved approval subject to agent review and payment of the license fee and the motion was seconded. The motion passed with three ayes.

**3. KANKU'S BOTTLE SHOP  
CHATTANOOGA, TENNESSEE (HAMILTON COUNTY)**



Applicant: EMMA CHAUDHARI INC  
Member(s): Ashish Chaudhari (100%)

Before the Commission is a request for approval of a new retail package store licensee to be located at 2001 Market St, Chattanooga, TN 37408. The TABC staff recommends conditional approval of the license subject to:

- a. inspection
- b. license fee

**Discussion/Action Taken:** Director Thomas summarized the request and recommended conditional approval subject to inspection and payment of the license fee. Commissioner Tomita moved approval subject to inspection and payment of the license fee and the motion was seconded. The motion passed with three ayes.

**4. LIQUOR AND WINE OUTLET  
MURFREESBORO, TENNESSEE (RUTHERFORD COUNTY)**

Applicant: M & N SISTERS, INC  
Member(s): Arvindkumar Patel (100%)

Before the Commission is a request for an extension of this retail package store licensee to be located at 2003 SE Broad St, Murfreesboro, TN 37130. Originally approved at the July 2021 Commission Meeting, the applicant has run into issues with construction.

**Discussion/Action Taken:** Director Thomas summarized the request and recommended a six-month extension request. Commissioner Hamilton moved approval of a six-month extension and the motion was seconded. The motion passed with three ayes.

**5. CHATTCUTERIE  
CHATTANOOGA, TENNESSEE (HAMILTON COUNTY)**



Applicant: CHATTCUTERIE LLC  
Member(s): Raychel Stapleton (100%)

Before the Commission is a request for approval of a new retail package store licensee to be located at 804 Riverfront Pkwy, Suite 110, Chattanooga, TN 37402. The TABC staff recommends conditional approval of the license subject to payment of the license fee.

**Discussion/Action Taken:** Director Thomas summarized the request and recommended conditional approval subject to payment of the license fee. Commissioner Tomita moved approval subject to payment of the license fee and the motion was seconded. The motion passed with three ayes.

## 6. LAKE DISTRICT WINE AND LIQUOR LAKELAND, TENNESSEE (SHELBY COUNTY)

Applicant: Lake District Wine And Liquors LLC  
Member(s): Charles Kardoush (50%), Michael Kardoush (50%)

Before the Commission is a request for approval of a new retail package store licensee to be located at 9845 N Lake District Dr, Suite 123, Lakeland, TN 38002. The TABC staff recommends conditional approval of the license subject to:

- a. certificate of occupancy
- b. license fee

**Discussion/Action Taken:** Director Thomas summarized the request and recommended conditional approval subject to certificate of occupancy and payment of the license fee. Commissioner Hamilton moved approval subject to certificate of occupancy and payment of the license fee and the motion was seconded. The motion passed with three ayes.

## 3. PRIVATE CLUB MATTERS

### 1. THE GOVERNORS CLUB



## **BRENTWOOD, TENNESSEE (WILLIAMSON COUNTY)**

Applicant: THE GOVERNORS GOLF CLUB  
Officer: James Fitzsimmons

Before the Commission is a request for approval of a private club to be located at 9681 Concord Rd, Brentwood, TN 37027. The TABC staff recommends conditional approval of the license subject to payment of the license fee.

**Discussion/Action Taken:** Director Thomas summarized the request and recommended conditional approval subject to payment of the license fee. Commissioner Tomita moved approval subject to payment of the license fee and the motion was seconded. The motion passed with three ayes.

## **4. WHOLESALER MATTERS**

### **1. IMPERO WINE DISTRIBUTORS TENNESSEE, INC MT. JULIET, TENNESSEE (WILSON COUNTY)**

Applicant: IMPERO WINE DISTRIBUTORS TENNESSEE, INC  
Members: Ombretta Tonelli (90%), Gianluca Brill (10%)

Before the Commission is a request for approval of a wholesaler to be located at 335 Industrial Dr, Suite C, Mt. Juliet, TN 37122. The TABC staff recommends conditional approval of the wholesaler subject to payment of the license fee.

**Discussion/Action Taken:** Director Thomas summarized the request and recommended conditional approval subject to payment of the license fee. Commissioner Hamilton moved approval subject to payment of the license fee and the motion was seconded. The motion passed with three ayes.

## **5. MANUFACTURER MATTERS**



**1. HOOCH HOLLOW DISTILLERY LLC  
BYBEE, TENNESSEE (COCKE COUNTY)**

Applicant: Hooch Hollow Distillery LLC  
Members: Jeff Pyle (50%), Lisa Pyle (50%)

Before the Commission is a request for approval of a manufacturer to be located at 160 Jetty Way, Bybee, TN 37713. The TABC staff recommends conditional approval of the manufacturer subject to:

- a. inspection
- b. license fee

**Discussion/Action Taken:** Director Thomas summarized the request and recommended conditional approval subject to inspection and payment of the license fee. Commissioner Tomita moved approval subject to inspection and payment of the license fee and the motion was seconded. The motion passed with three ayes.

**6. WINERY MATTERS**

**1. TENNESSEE CIDER COMPANY  
SEVIERVILLE, TENNESSEE (SEVIER COUNTY)**

Applicant: TENNESSEE CIDER COMPANY, LLC  
Members: Aaron Maples (50%), Keith Whaley (50%)

Before the Commission is a request for approval of a winery located at 1853 Newport Hwy, Suite 1, Sevierville, TN 37876. The TABC staff recommends conditional approval of the winery subject to:

- a. inspection
- b. license fee



**Discussion/Action Taken:** Director Thomas summarized the request and recommended conditional approval subject to inspection and payment of the license fee. Commissioner Hamilton moved approval subject to inspection and payment of the license fee and the motion was seconded. The motion passed with three ayes.

**2. GRINDER'S SWITCH WINERY  
CENTERVILLE, TENNESSEE (HICKMAN COUNTY)**

Applicant:	GRINDER'S SWITCH WINERY, INC.	
Shareholders:	<u>Current</u>	<u>Proposed</u>
	Joey Chessor (50%)	Joey Chessor (45%)
	Gail Chessor (50%)	Gail Chessor (45%)
		Jodie Morgan (5%)
		James Chessor (5%)

The winery located at 2119 Hwy 50 West Loop, Centerville, TN 37033 is requesting approval of change in ownership. The current shareholders are giving each of their children 5% interest in the license. The TABC staff recommends approval of the change in ownership.

**Discussion/Action Taken:** Director Thomas summarized the request and recommended approval of the change in ownership. Commissioner Tomita moved approval and the motion was seconded. The motion passed with three ayes.

**3. FORTY CANNONS WINERY  
HENDERSON, TENNESSEE (CHESTER COUNTY)**



Applicant: Edward Teach & Co., LLC  
Members: Valeria Pitoni (100%)

Before the Commission is a request for approval of a winery located at 375 Oak Grove Ln, Henderson, TN 38340. The TABC staff recommends conditional approval of the winery subject to:

- a. inspection
- b. agent review
- c. license fee

**Discussion/Action Taken:** Director Thomas summarized the request and recommended conditional approval subject to inspection, agent review and payment of the license fee. Commissioner Hamilton moved approval subject to inspection, agent review and payment of the license fee and the motion was seconded. The motion passed with three ayes.

## 7. FULFILLMENT HOUSE MATTERS

### 1. CONCIERGE PACKAGE STORE SONOMA, CALIFORNIA

Applicant: Concierge Package Service  
Members: Jennifer Phipps (33%), John Maib (35%),  
Suzanne Maib (32%)

Before the Commission is a request for approval of a fulfillment house located at 21481 E 8<sup>th</sup> St, Suite 15A, Sonoma, CA 95476. The TABC staff recommends conditional approval of the fulfillment house subject to payment of the license fee.

**Discussion/Action Taken:** Director Thomas summarized the request and recommended conditional approval subject to payment of the license fee.





Commissioner Tomita moved approval subject to payment of the license fee and the motion was seconded. The motion passed with three ayes.

## **8. WINERY DIRECT SHIPPER MATTERS**

**Discussion/Action Taken:** Director Thomas informed the Commissioners that all 21 Winery Direct Shipper matters are all being recommended conditional approval subject to payment of the license fee. The Commissioners agreed to go through all 21 at once and approve them together.

### **1. SOJOURN CELLARS SANTA ROSA, CALIFORNIA**

Applicant: Harrow Cellars  
Members: LeFever Mattson (100%)  
Brands: Sojourn, Sojourn Cellars

Before the Commission is a request for approval of a direct shipper located at 3358 Coffey Ln, Suite D, Santa Rosa, CA 95403. The TABC staff recommends conditional approval of the direct shipper subject to payment of the license fee.



**2. LINGUA FRANCA  
SALEM, OREGON**

Applicant: TPWC, INC.  
Members: CONSTELLATION BRANDS, INC. (100%)  
Brands: Estate Chardonnay, Estate Pinot Noir,  
Bunker Hill Chardonnay, The Plow Pinot Noir,  
Mimi's Mind Pinot Noir, Sisters Chardonnay,  
Chers Amis Chardonnay, Inspiras Chardonnay,  
La Belle Pinot Noir, Petit Geant Pinot Noir, Pinot Noir  
Rose, Novo Vivo Pinot Noir

Before the Commission is a request for approval of a direct shipper located at 9675 Hopewell Rd NW, Salem, OR 97304. The TABC staff recommends conditional approval of the direct shipper subject to payment of the license fee.

**3. AUTEUR  
SONOMA, CALIFORNIA**

Applicant: Auteur Wines LLC  
Members: Kenneth Juhasz (16.67%), Kenneth Venner (33.33%),  
Laura Juhasz (16.67%), Michael Scribner (33.33%)  
Brands: Auteur Wines

Before the Commission is a request for approval of a direct shipper located at 22020 Cameros Vineyard Way, Suite 5, Sonoma, CA 95467. The TABC staff recommends conditional approval of the direct shipper subject to payment of the license fee.



**4. SADDLEBACK CELLARS  
NAPA, CALIFORNIA**

Applicant: Ven-Cal Ranches, LLC  
Members: Nils Venge (40%), Erika Phillips (30%), Kirk Venge (30%)  
Brands: Saddleback Cellars, Petit Verdot Los Carneros 2003, Cabernet Sauvignon Oakville 2010, Syrah Los Carneros 2011, Rancher Red, Albarino Red hills 2013, Aleatico Rose Dry Creek, Chloe's Blend Oakville 2011, Zinfandel Calistoga 2013, Merlot Oakville Estate 2012, Pinot Noir Los Carneros 2014, Chardonnay Sangiacomo Vineyard 2015, Sangiovese Penny lane vineyard Oakvle 2015, Grenache Frediani Vineyard Calistoga 2016, Dolcetto Russian River Valley 2016, Frelisa Rose Russian River Valley 2017, Cabernet Sauvignon Reserve 2015, Cabernet Sauvignon Special Barrel Selection 2006, Cabernet Sauvignon Special Barrel Selection Napa Valley 2016

Before the Commission is a request for approval of a direct shipper located at 7802 Money Rd, Napa, CA 94558. The TABC staff recommends conditional approval of the direct shipper subject to payment of the license fee.



**5. WE THE PEOPLE WINES  
NAPA, CALIFORNIA**

Applicant: RPC Brands, LLC  
Members: Ryan Coyne (100%)  
Brands: Melorosa

Before the Commission is a request for approval of a direct shipper located at 110-122 Camino Oruga, Napa, CA 94558. The TABC staff recommends conditional approval of the direct shipper subject to payment of the license fee.

**6. PROSPICE WINES  
WALLA WALLA, WASHINGTON**

Applicant: K&R Wines, LLC  
Members: Jay Krutulis (80%), Matthew Reilly (20%)  
Brands: Prospice

Before the Commission is a request for approval of a direct shipper located at 145 E Curtis Ave, Walla Walla, WA 99362. The TABC staff recommends conditional approval of the direct shipper subject to payment of the license fee.



**7. HANZELL VINEYARDS  
SONOMA, CALIFORNIA**

Applicant: GMIC VINEYARDS, LLC  
Members: Geary Market Investment Co LTD INC (100%)  
Brands: Hanzell, Sebella

Before the Commission is a request for approval of a direct shipper located at 18596 Lomita Ave, Sonoma, CA 95476. The TABC staff recommends conditional approval of the direct shipper subject to payment of the license fee.

**8. SENSES WINES  
CALISTOGA, CALIFORNIA**

Applicant: Sens3s, LLC  
Members: Christopher Strieter (45%), Maximillion Thieriot (45%),  
Myles Lawrence-Briggs (10%)  
Brands: B.A. Thieriot Chardonnay, Charlis Heintz Chardonnay,  
'Tenth Stop' Chardonnay, UV - Silver Eagle Chardonnay,  
UV- El Diablo Chardonnay, Russian River Valley  
Chardonnay, Sonoma Coast Chardonnay, Sonoma Coast  
Pinot noir, Russian River Pinot noir, 'Day One' Pinot noir,  
MCM88 Pinor noir, Oakville, Napa Valley Cabernet  
Sauvignon, Terra de Promissio Pinot noir

Before the Commission is a request for approval of a direct shipper located at 1251 Tubbs Ln, Calistoga, CA 94515. The TABC staff recommends conditional approval of the direct shipper subject to payment of the license fee.



**9. THE FABLEIST WINE CO.  
TEMPLETON, CALIFORNIA**

Applicant: The Fableist Wine Co.  
Members: Curt Schalchlin (50%), Andrew Jones (50%)  
Brands: The Fableist Wine Co.

Before the Commission is a request for approval of a direct shipper located at 5036 S El Pomar Rd, Templeton, CA 93465. The TABC staff recommends conditional approval of the direct shipper subject to payment of the license fee.

**10. BLACK KITE CELLARS  
WINDSOR, CALIFORNIA**

Applicant: Black Kite Cellars, LLC  
Members: Black Kite Cellars, LLC (100%)  
Brands: Gap's Crown Vineyard Pinot Noir, Sonoma Coast, Stony Terrace Pinot Noir, River Turn Pinot Noir, Soberanes Vineyard Chardonnay Santa Lucia Highlands, Sierra Mar Vineyard Pinot Noir, Kite's Rest Vineyard Pinot Noir, Jasper Freestone Vineyard Chardonnay, Redwood's Edge Pinot Noir, Angel Hawk Pinot Noir, Africa Quest Pinot Noir, Jasper Freestone Vineyard Pinot Noir

Before the Commission is a request for approval of a direct shipper located at 1200 American Way, Windsor, CA 95492. The TABC staff recommends conditional approval of the direct shipper subject to payment of the license fee.



**11. MATTHIASSEN FAMILY VINEYARDS  
NAPA, CALIFORNIA**

Applicant: MATTHIASSEN FAMILY VINEYARDS LLC  
Members: Jill Klein (50%), Steve Matthiasson (50%)  
Brands: Matthiasson

Before the Commission is a request for approval of a direct shipper located at 3175 Dry Creek Rd, Napa, CA 94558. The TABC staff recommends conditional approval of the direct shipper subject to payment of the license fee.

**12. ARMSTRONG FAMILY WINERY  
WOODINVILLE, WASHINGTON**

Applicant: ARMSTRONG FAMILY WINERY LLC  
Members: Jennifer Armstrong (50%), Timothy Armstrong (50%)  
Brands: Armstrong Family Winery

Before the Commission is a request for approval of a direct shipper located at 19515 NE 144<sup>th</sup> Ave, Suite 1, Woodinville, WA 98072. The TABC staff recommends conditional approval of the direct shipper subject to payment of the license fee.

**13. NOBLEMEN WINES  
KERRVILLE, TEXAS**

Applicant: Nobleman Wines  
Members: Austin Pitzer (100%)  
Brands: Nobleman Wines

Before the Commission is a request for approval of a direct shipper located at 1 3600 Fredericksburg Rd, Kerrville, TX 78028. The TABC staff recommends conditional approval of the direct shipper subject to payment of the license fee.



**14. ALBATROSS RIDGE  
MARINA, CALIFORNIA**

Applicant: Albatross Ridge LLC  
Members: Bradford Bowlus (95%), Garrett Bowlus (5%)  
Brands: Albatross Ridge

Before the Commission is a request for approval of a direct shipper located at 3344 Paul Davis Dr., Suite 6, Marina, CA 93933. The TABC staff recommends conditional approval of the direct shipper subject to payment of the license fee.

**15. KANZLER VINEYARDS  
SEBASTOPOL, CALIFORNIA**

Applicant: Kanzler Vineyards, LLC  
Members: Lynda Kanzler (48.5%), Stephen Kanzler (48.5%),  
Alex Kanzler (3%)  
Brands: Kanzler Family Vineyards, Russian River Valley,  
Walker Station, 115 Pinot, Estate Reserve, Mes Filles,  
Russian River Valley Rose, Sonoma Coast

Before the Commission is a request for approval of a direct shipper located at 2064 N Gravenstein Hwy, Bldg 2, Sebastopol, CA 95472. The TABC staff recommends conditional approval of the direct shipper subject to payment of the license fee.





**16. NEW CLAIRVAUX VINEYARD  
VINA, CALIFORNIA**

Applicant: New Clairvaux Vineyard, LLC  
Members: Karrie Hutton (7.5%), Philip Sunseri (35%),  
Aimee Sunseri (7.5%), Paul Mark Schwan (50%)  
Brands: New Clairvaux Vineyard, Aimee

Before the Commission is a request for approval of a direct shipper located at 26240 7<sup>th</sup> St, Vina, CA 96092. The TABC staff recommends conditional approval of the direct shipper subject to payment of the license fee.

**17. AMISTA VINEYARDS  
HEALDSBURG, CALIFORNIA**

Applicant: Amista Vineyards Inc.  
Members: Vicky Farrow (67%), Michael Farrow (33%)  
Brands: Amista Vineyards

Before the Commission is a request for approval of a direct shipper located at 3310 Dry Creek Rd, Healdsburg CA 95448. The TABC staff recommends conditional approval of the direct shipper subject to payment of the license fee.

**18. WALTER SCOTT WINES  
SALEM, OREGON**

Applicant: OKP LLC  
Members: Erica Landon (40%), Kenneth Pahlow (40%),  
Andrew Steinman (10%), Susan Steinman (10%)  
Brands: Walter Scott Wines, Lucille, La Combe Verte, Curvee Ruth

Before the Commission is a request for approval of a direct shipper located at 6130 Bethel Heights Road NW, Salem, OR 97304. The TABC staff recommends conditional approval of the direct shipper subject to payment of the license fee.



**19. ZAKIN FAMILY VINEYARD  
SAINT HELENA, CALIFORNIA**

Applicant: ZAKIN FAMILY VINEYARD LLC  
Members: Janice Zakin (50%), Jonathan Zakin (50%)  
Brands: Zakin Estate

Before the Commission is a request for approval of a direct shipper located at 2929 St Helena Hwy, Saint Helena, CA 94574. The TABC staff recommends conditional approval of the direct shipper subject to payment of the license fee.

**20. LONGROCK CREEK  
AMERICAN CANYON, CALIFORNIA**

Applicant: Longrock Creek, LLC  
Members: Penrose Hill, Limited (100%)  
Brands: Halara, Nomos, Open Secret

Before the Commission is a request for approval of a direct shipper located at 677 Hanna Dr, Suite B, American Canyon, CA 94503. The TABC staff recommends conditional approval of the direct shipper subject to payment of the license fee.

**21. FRANK FAMILY VINEYARDS  
CALISTOGA, CALIFORNIA**

Applicant: Treasury Wine Estates Americas Company  
Members: TWE USA Partnership (Delaware) (100%)  
Brands: Frank Family Vineyards, Patriarch

Before the Commission is a request for approval of a direct shipper located at 1091 Larkmead Ln, Calistoga, CA 94515. The TABC staff recommends conditional approval of the direct shipper subject to payment of the license fee.



**Discussion/Action Taken:** Director Thomas summarized the requests for all 21 matters and recommended conditional approval of all of them subject to payment of the license fees. Commissioner Tomita moved approval of all 21 winery direct shipper matters subject to payment of the license fees and the motion was seconded. The motion passed with three ayes.

## **8. MISCELLANEOUS**

- Director's Update

**Discussion/Action Taken:** Director Thomas discussed a couple of things, including the agency's outreach newsletter, a campaign with the Department of Health and backend updates to the TABC's online system it uses on a daily basis.

- Law Enforcement Update

**Discussion/Action Taken:** Deputy Chief Clayton updated the Commission on enforcement activity since the last meeting including statistics on the number of inspections conducted, citations issued, fine amounts, minor compliance checks and compliance rate, seizures, and personnel news. Jackie Mercier was introduced as the newest Special Agent of the TABC and was sworn in.

## **9. UPCOMING MEETINGS**

- Thursday, July 28 @ 1:00PM CST
- Monday, August 29 @ 1:00PM CST
- Thursday, September 22 @ 1:00PM CST



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AUDIT MEETING  
THURSDAY, JUNE 30**

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**I. DISCUSSION**

**Discussion/Action Taken:** Internal Auditor Landon Myers discussed a variety of things.

**II. QUESTIONS FROM COMMISSIONERS**

**Discussion/Action Taken:** No questions asked.

**APPROVED FOR ENTRY UPON THE MINUTE BOOKS OF THE TENNESSEE ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE  
COMMISSION THIS THE 28th DAY OF JULY 2022.**

**Commissioner**

**Director**