On the 17th day of May, 2017, the ABC Board did convene at Little Rock, Arkansas for its regular monthly meeting and in attendance were Dan Greenberg, Chairman, Jean Hervey, Thomas P. Powell, Jr., Steve Smith, Jamie Anderson.

The Board called back for review Jeffrey M. Born, The Draft (Roux’s Cajun Creole), 2235 Dave Ward Drive, Conway and after considering all of the facts in the case, the Board voted 3-1 to accept the grant the Retail Beer On Premises Permit.

The Board considered the application of Henry Tucker, F.H.I.T.O. Lounge, 265 Armstrong, Suite A, Eudora, On Premises Wine and Beer – New and after considering all the facts in the case, the Board voted 5-0 to deny the On Premises Wine and Permit.

The Board considered the application of Anthony S. Watson, Henard’s 1 Stop Tobacco & Beer, 1215 North Main, (Brinkley, AR) - New; Granted February 16, 2017; (Appealed by Opposition, Chief Edward Randall of Brinkley Police Department and Mr. Tommy Robinson.) In support of this application were Mr. Anthony S. Watson represented by his attorney H.T. Moore. After considering all facts and testimony in the case, Chairman Dan Greenberg made a motion with conditions and it was seconded by Thomas P. Powell. The Board voted 5-0 to grant Mr. Anthony S. Watson’s application for Retail Beer Off Premises, with the following conditions: removal of Mr. Ricky Henard’s name from any signatory bank accounts & cards, that he shall not acquire any interest in the business, and that he shall not receive any income from the business.

The Board considered the application of Anthony S. Watson, Henard’s 1 Stop Tobacco & Beer, 503 Madison, (Clarendon, AR) - New; Granted February 16, 2017; (Appealed by Opposition, Mr. Jim Stenson III represented by Counsel, Attorney David Carruth.) In support of this application was Mr. Anthony S. Watson represented by his Attorney H.T. Moore. After considering all facts and testimony in the case, Jean Hervey made a motion to grant the permit, with the following conditions: removal of Mr. Ricky Henard’s name from any signatory bank accounts & cards, that he shall not acquire any interest in the business, and that he shall not receive any income from the business. The motion passed with a vote of 5-0.

The Board considered the application of Kashmir Singh, Bottle King, 203 North Blake, Pine Bluff; Retail Liquor & Beer Off Premises - Replacement & Transfer of Location (Refused - March 16, 2017). Present in support of his application were Mr. Kashmir Singh and his son Amandeep Singh, represented by Attorney Michael Langley. Also providing testimony was Chief Ivan Whitfield of the Pine Bluff Police Department. Present in opposition of this application were Pine Bluff Alderman Steven Mays and Rajwinder Kaur represented by Attorney Jackie Harris. Affidavits from Sheriff Gerald Robinson and former 4th Ward Alderman George Stepps were introduced as exhibits in opposition to the transfer of location and replacement application. After hearing various statements and testimony and reviewing all exhibits presented, a motion was
made by Thomas P. Powell to approve the application for transfer of location and replacement of Mr. Kashmir Singh, “Bottle King”. By a vote of 5-0, the motion passed.

The Board considered the application of Mary Cook, Wine & Spirits of West Little Rock, 1414 North Shackleford Road, Little Rock; Retail Liquor, Beer Off Premises & Wine Sampling – Transfer of location (Refused April 20, 2017). In attendance for support of this application were Mrs. Mary Cook represented by her Attorney, Mr. Charles Singleton. Also providing testimony were Mr. John McKay of RPM, a Commercial Real Estate – Senior Associate Broker and Agent Sharon Reed of Alcoholic Beverage Control Enforcement Division. After hearing all parties’ testimony and discussion of evidence presented before the Board, Mr. Thomas P. Powell made a motion to overturn the Director’s decision to approve the transfer of location. Motion failed 4-1. Chairman Dan Greenberg introduced another motion to deny the transfer of Mrs. Cook’s liquor store, because it is less than 1000 feet away from Faith Springs Church. The motion passed 4-1.

Staff Attorney Mary Robin Casteel made a recommendation before the Board that they not appeal the reversal of the Commission’s decision by the circuit court in the matter of Billy E. Pope; SkyRoom, Private Club Transfer of Location. Recommendation passed 5-0.

Director Bud Roberts requested permission from the ABC board to allow him to act on the application of Mr. Robert F. Brocchus, New Private Club – Southern Oaks, 701 Foxwood Drive, Jacksonville within thirty days. Motion was made by Jean Hervey, and seconded by Jamie Anderson. Motion passed unanimously 5-0.

The Board accepted the Director’s Decisions regarding the Violation Resume, Private Club Resume, Extension of Inactive Status, and the Director’s Resume.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

The next meeting of the Alcoholic Beverage Control Board is scheduled for June 21, 2017.

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DAN GREENBERG, CHAIRMAN          BUD ROBERTS, DIRECTOR