

MINUTES OF THE ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE CONTROL APPEALS BOARD

June 26, 2026

A scheduled hearing of oral argument before the Board was conducted at 10:00 a.m. on June 26, 2026, via teleconference at 400 R Street, Suite 320, Sacramento, CA 95811.

The following persons were present.

Members present:

- Hon. Judge Frank Damrell, Member

Members present via videoconference:

- Megan McGuinness, Chair
- Sharlyne T. Palacio, Member

Staff present:

- Taryn Kinney, Executive Officer
- Brad Smith, Attorney
- Sean O'Dowd, Attorney

Public present:

- Ruben Garza
- Frank Damrell, III
- Gregory Hayes
- Matt Gaughan

Present via videoconference:

- Shaun Clearwater
- iPad (9)
- Jennifer Chavez
- Alanna Ormiston
- Jennifer Marsing
- Joe Scoleri
- Trisha Pal
- Terif
- Tom Robbins

The cases listed below were heard, taken under submission, and/or subjected to such other action as indicated.

Calendar No.

1. **AB-10032**
HOP RIOT, LLC, dba Hop Riot
File No. 42-667426; Reg. 25095896
Appellant-Clearwater
Protestants-Robbinses
Department- Hayes
Argued and taken under submission
2. INFORMATIONAL ITEM: Pending Court of Appeals case update
Sean O'Dowd, Board Attorney, presented on the status of Barrell & Hops, Inc., et. Al. v. Alcoholic Beverage Control Appeals Board currently pending in the Third District Court of Appeals. A stay was granted and a Writ of Review has been issued by the Court. The record was filed and the case is now in the briefing stage. Board attorneys will update the Board in the coming months.
3. INFORMATIONAL ITEM: Demonstration of new online platform to intake appeals on Board website
Taryn Kinney, Executive Officer, presented a demonstration of the new online platform to intake appeals on its website. The optional online form is mobile-friendly and files a Notice of Appeal with the Board electronically when completed. Traditional options for filing an appeal are still available. Jennifer Chavez asked if the appeals submitted on the website are received immediately or if there is a delay in submission. Ms. Kinney replied they are received immediately. Ms. Chavez asked if appellants still need to mail their appeal to the Department of ABC. Ms. Kinney replied that yes, the email appellant receives upon submission informs appellants that they must print and mail their appeal to the Department and all other parties to the appeal.

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct statement of the proceedings before the Alcoholic Beverage Control Appeals Board on June 26, 2026.

DATED: June 26, 2026

Megan McGuinness, CHAIR
ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE CONTROL
APPEALS BOARD