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NC ABC COMMISSION SUSPENDS ALCOHOL PERMITS AFTER STABBING INCIDENT AT STOKESDALE LOCATION

RALEIGH – A July 3 stabbing incident at the Double K Sports Bar resulted in the serious injury of one patron and has prompted the suspension of alcohol permits held by the Stokesdale business. The North Carolina Alcoholic Beverage Control Commission’s suspension order was served Saturday by agents of North Carolina Alcohol Law Enforcement (ALE) and begins immediately. The Double K, located at 8603 Belews Creek Road, Stokesdale, has held ABC permits since 2010.

According to affidavits from ALE and the Guilford County Sheriff’s Department, the knife assault occurred inside the business a little after 2 a.m. on July 3. One patron was seriously injured and required hospitalization. According to the sworn statements, the alleged assailant and his 13-year-old son both were armed with knives at the business that night.

Since opening in 2010, local law enforcement officers have logged more than 100 calls for service to the business. Sworn statements by law enforcement officers outline a history of violence at the location, and Guilford County Sheriff B.J. Barnes has submitted a letter to the NC ABC Commission stating his concerns that the Double K is a threat to the safety and security of citizens, the business community and the deputies who must respond to this location.

The summary suspension is immediate and is in effect until the case is heard by the Office of Administrative Hearings. The action is authorized under N.C. General Statute 150B-3(c), which states: “The proceedings shall be promptly commenced and determined.”

This is the second summary suspension issued this year by the NC ABC Commission and is part of the ongoing focus on public health and public safety on the part of the Commission in partnership with ALE.

ABOUT THE NC ABC COMMISSION

North Carolina is one of 17 states to regulate alcohol through a control system. Since 1937, the North Carolina Alcoholic Beverage Control Commission has provided regulation and control over the sale, purchase, transportation, manufacture, consumption and possession of alcoholic beverages in the state of North Carolina. The Commission oversees permits allowing alcohol sales by more than 18,000 retail outlets across the state. <http://abc.nc.gov>. ###

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