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### **NC ABC COMMISSION WELCOMES FORMER CHIEF ADMINISTRATOR AS NEW COMMISSIONER**

RALEIGH – Just prior to the regular December meeting of the North Carolina Alcoholic Beverage Control Commission, Mike Herring, former Chief Administrator of the state ABC Commission, took the oath to serve as a commissioner of the three-member panel.

Governor Pat McCrory appointed Herring to the position vacated in September by former Commissioner Joel Keith. Two commissioners and a chair set agency policy.

During the business portion of the meeting, the Commission took action on 102 permit violations, levying penalties in excess of \$122,000 and/or imposing suspensions of five days or more on businesses that hold permits to sell alcohol in the state. Fines are due Jan.8, 2016 and suspensions begin Jan.15, 2016.

The Commission deferred consideration of a store location proposed by the Locust ABC Board until the January 2016 meeting.

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. <http://abc.nc.gov>.

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