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### **NORTH CAROLINA ABC COMMISSION ISSUES SUMMARY SUSPENSION FOR ABC PERMITS AT JACKSONVILLE CLUB**

RALEIGH – Following a fatal shooting December 22, Cave Gentlemen Club, 531 Richland Highway, Jacksonville, has had its ABC permits suspended. The North Carolina ABC Commission suspended the permits December 29 after reviewing the sworn statements of Jacksonville Police Department personnel.

In addition to the recent fatal shooting at the location, the affidavits of law enforcement officers show that law enforcement personnel have responded to numerous service calls related to shots fired, fights, gambling and drug violations at the business since the spring of 2016. The business has held ABC permits since 2001.

"We appreciate our partnership with the ABC Commission and the state's Alcohol Law Enforcement. The Jacksonville Police Department is committed to working with our partners to prevent violence," said Jacksonville Police Chief Mike Yaniero.

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 third summary suspension issued this year by the NC ABC Commission and is part of the Commission's ongoing focus on public health and public safety.

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

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