



# ABC

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## Alcoholic Beverage Control

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### **NORTH CAROLINA ABC COMMISSION HOLDS REGULAR MEETING**

RALEIGH – The North Carolina Alcoholic Beverage Control (ABC) Commission held its regular monthly meeting by conference call on Wednesday, September 7, 2022.

Chairman Bauer acknowledged the recent retirement of Deputy Commissioner Terrance Merriweather and thanked him again for his distinguished career, service to the state of North Carolina, and for his many accomplishments at the ABC Commission. He will be greatly missed. The Commission welcomes Mike DeSilva to the Deputy Commissioner role and knows he will continue building on the great work that has been done.

Chairman Bauer shared an update that the warehouse is approaching capacity and requires repair projects. A new warehouse is needed to continue growth long-term and maximize the ABC system's contribution to the state.

The Commission is also prioritizing IT enhancements and updates. These changes will improve user-friendliness and will allow Commission staff to better meet customers' needs. Examples include an online option to submit permit applications and the ability for the public to see which local ABC boards receive which products.

The Commission ratified 72 hearing cases that resulted in penalties in excess of \$86,400 and/or imposition of suspensions of permits for three days or more. Fines are due on or before September 30, 2022 and suspensions begin October 7, 2022.

The Commission approved an exemption request pursuant to [§18B-1116\(b\)](#) for Chris Borrenson, Wye Hill Kitchen and Brewing, and Glass House Kitchen.

The Commission approved a proposed ABC store location at 12641 US Highway 70 West, Clayton, requested by the Johnston County ABC Board. This store will replace the current Johnston County ABC store located at 12487 US-70 Business, Clayton.

The Commission continued the request to review the warehouse contract until the next meeting.

The Commission also confirmed the next monthly Commission meeting will be held remotely by conference call / WebEx on Wednesday, October 12, 2022.

#### 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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