



STATE OF MICHIGAN
DEPARTMENT OF LICENSING AND REGULATORY AFFAIRS
LIQUOR CONTROL COMMISSION

In the matter of)
THREE SONS ENTERPRISES, INC.) Business ID No. 10584
D/B/A MY THREE SONS)
5740 Grand River Ave)
Detroit, Michigan 48208-1548)
Wayne County)

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At the January 25, 2018 hearing of the Michigan Liquor Control Commission in Southfield, Michigan.

PRESENT: Andrew J. Deloney, Chairman
Teri L. Quimby, Commissioner
Dennis Olshove, Commissioner

PENALTY HEARING ORDER

Under MCL 436.1903(1), the Commission shall impose a suspension or revocation of the escrowed 2017 Specially Designated Distributor and Specially Designated Merchant licenses with Sunday Sales Permits (A.M. & P.M.) held by Three Sons Enterprises, Inc., d/b/a My Three Sons ("licensee") at the above-noted address, as the licensee was found liable for four (4) violations of MCL 436.1801(2) on different occasions within a 24-month period. Those violations occurred on July 13, 2016, August 6, 2016, December 30, 2016 and May 12, 2017.

The penalty hearing was held on January 25, 2018 at the Commission's Southfield office. Representing the licensee at the hearing was Attorney Joseph Shallal and sole stockholder, Fadi Ayar.

After reviewing the record of the four (4) violations within a consecutive 24-month period which necessitated the penalty hearing, hearing arguments from Attorney Shallal and Mr. Ayar, and review of the MLCC file, the Commission finds that revocation of the licenses is not necessary in this matter. However, the Commission further finds that a

suspension of the licenses is required, and the licensee has demonstrated reasons to order a suspension in this matter for the following reasons:

- The Commission finds that the licenses and permits were originally issued to the licensee on May 20, 1996.
- The Commission finds that since licensure in 1996, the licensee has been found responsible for a total of nine (9) sale to minor violations, which is contrary to MCL 436.1801(2); and another sale to minor which was negotiated to a lesser charge under MCL 436.1701(1).
- The Commission finds that a 2010 sale to minor violation involved a 17 year old minor.
- Commission finds that the four (4) most recent sale to minor violations that necessitated this hearing, the minors who were sold alcoholic beverages were all 20 years of age. It appears that identification was requested in two (2) of those incidents, however the sales still occurred.
- The Commission finds that the licensee has demonstrated that a written policy was implemented in mid-2016 requiring all employees to review and sign a “Statement of Responsibility” regarding illegal alcohol sales.
- The Commission finds that the licensee has demonstrated that a verbal policy is in place requiring employees to check identification of all customers purchasing alcoholic beverages who appear to be 30 years of age or younger.
- The Commission finds that the licensee demonstrated that there is no electronic scanning equipment installed to aid in the prevention of sales of alcohol to minors.
- The Commission finds that all employees who sold and served alcoholic beverages have been terminated.
- The Commission finds that in 2016, the licensee was found responsible for failure to cooperate with law enforcement during the course of an investigation of the licensed premises.
- The Commission finds that the licensee closed the business and placed the licenses and permits in escrow on September 15, 2017.

Under MCL 436.1903(1), the Commission shall issue a penalty of suspension or revocation in this matter. The Commission finds that a 270-day suspension is warranted for the reasons stated on the record, to be served beginning February 2, 2018.

THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED THAT:

A. The escrowed 2017 Specially Designated Distributor and Specially Designated Merchant licenses with Sunday Sales Permits (A.M. & P.M.) held by Three Sons Enterprises, Inc., d/b/a My Three Sons are SUSPENDED for 270 consecutive days, to be served beginning February 2, 2018.

B. The suspension is to run consecutively and not concurrently with any other suspension ordered by the Michigan Liquor Control Commission for this licensee.

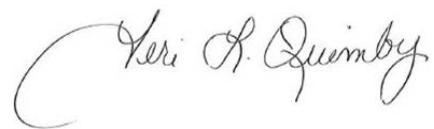
C. It is further ordered that immediately following the conclusion of 270-day suspension period, the three (3) day suspension ordered by Commissioner Jacobsen in CV# 182858 shall be served.

D. Further, it is ordered that on or prior to the final day of the suspension period, Three Sons Enterprises, Inc. shall appear before the Commission at a Show Cause Hearing held under administrative rule R 436.1925(1), to determine the status of licenses; to determine the status of any pending transfer of the licenses; and to determine if the licenses and permits should be suspended or revoked, or if any other action should be taken. Notice of the Show Cause Hearing will be served upon the licensee at a later date.

MICHIGAN LIQUOR CONTROL COMMISSION



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Date Mailed: January 26, 2018

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