

IN THE MATTER OF THE	*	BEFORE THE ALCOHOLIC
APPLICATION OF RONALD CRAIG	*	
GREEN, JEFFREY IRA NEWMAN, AND	*	BEVERAGE HEARING BOARD
ROBERT BLAISE GARNER ON	*	
BEHALF OF GLORY DAYS GRILL OF	*	FOR
ELLICOTT CITY, LLC t/a GLORY DAYS	*	
GRILL FOR A CLASS B BEER, WINE,	*	HOWARD COUNTY, MARYLAND
AND LIQUOR 7-DAY ON-SALE	*	
LICENSE	*	Case No. 15- 26

DECISION AND ORDER

The Board of License Commissioners for Howard County, Maryland (the "Liquor Board"), pursuant to Rule 1.02(A) of the Liquor Board Rules and Regulations, has delegated the authority to hear and decide cases to the Alcoholic Beverage Hearing Board for Howard County, Maryland (the "Hearing Board").

On June 9, 2015, the Hearing Board heard the application of Ronald Craig Green, Jeffrey Ira Newman, and Robert Blaise Garner ("Applicants"), on behalf of Glory Days Grill of Ellicott City, LLC, t/a Glory Days Grill ("Glory Days Grill of Ellicott City, LLC"), for a new Class B Beer, Wine, and Liquor 7-day on-sale license for a 7,800 square foot restaurant with a 700 square foot outdoor patio located at 10035 Baltimore National Pike, Ellicott City, Maryland 21042. The hearing was properly advertised pursuant to Article 2B of the Annotated Code of Maryland. The Applicants were represented by Leanne M. Schrecengost, Esquire. There were no protestants who appeared in opposition to the application.

All the documents on file were incorporated into the record by reference. These include the following: a letter dated June 8, 2015, from the Applicants' attorney attaching the violation history of all Glory Days Grill locations; an email attaching a letter dated June 5, 2015, from the Applicants' attorney advising ownership changes of the licensed entity; a letter dated January 21, 2015, from the Applicants' attorney enclosing the application; a copy of the Articles of Organization of Glory Days Grill of Ellicott City, LLC; a copy of a check made payable to the Director of Finance for Howard County for the application filing fee; a copy of the floor plan; a copy of the background investigation questionnaires for the Applicants; copies of criminal history checks for Ronald Craig Green and Robert Blaise Garner from the

Department of Public Safety and Correctional Services; a certified driving record for Jeffrey Newman from the Virginia Department of Motor Vehicles; a background check for Jeffrey Newman from the Fairfax County Police Department; a memorandum dated May 13, 2015, from the Liquor Board to the Alcoholic Beverage Inspector, the Department of Inspections, Licenses, and Permits, the Bureau of Environmental Health, and the Department of Planning and Zoning; the background investigation of the Applicants by the Alcoholic Beverage Inspector dated June 5, 2015; a letter dated June 2, 2015, from the Office of the Fire Marshall; an email dated May 18, 2015, from the Department of Inspections, Licenses, and Permits; a memorandum dated May 29, 2015, from the Department of Planning and Zoning; a memorandum dated May 20, 2015, from the Bureau of Environmental Health; a letter dated May 13, 2015, to the Department of Finance; a letter dated May 18, 2015, from the Department of Finance; a letter dated May 13, 2015, to the Comptroller of Maryland; a letter dated May 28, 2015, from the Comptroller of Maryland; a fax transmission to the Applicants' attorney enclosing a letter dated May 13, 2015, with notification of the hearing date and the necessity to advertise; the certification of advertisement from the Howard County Times and the Baltimore Sun; and an email dated May 20, 2015, from the Alcoholic Beverage Inspector stating the premises had been posted.

SUMMARY OF TESTIMONY

Jeffrey Newman, Member and 18.48% shareholder for Glory Days Grill of Ellicott City, LLC, was sworn and testified that he is a co-founder of Glory Days Grill. Mr. Newman testified that there are twenty restaurants currently operating, including four in Maryland. Mr. Newman testified that Glory Days Grills are casual, full-service, family style restaurants with a sports theme. Mr. Newman testified that their patio will be enclosed with a fence, and will be covered with a canopy. Mr. Newman testified that they will only have background music.

Mr. Newman testified that they plan to be open by mid-July. Mr. Newman testified that he will monitor the operation, but will not be there on a daily basis. Mr. Newman testified that they plan to move an experienced full-time manager from their Pasadena restaurant.

Mr. Newman testified that they have had 5 previous violations at other Glory Days Grill restaurants. Since that time, they have had all employees alcohol awareness trained, and provided internal training. Mr. Newman testified that they serve over 2,000 customers per week in the restaurants, and that they take their license responsibilities seriously.

Robert Blaise Garner, Member and 18.48% shareholder for Glory Days Grill of Ellicott City, LLC, was sworn and testified that he is the co-founder of all of the Glory Days Grills. Mr. Garner testified that their patio area will seat approximately 30 to 40 patrons. Their banquet area will seat 80 patrons, and their main dining area will seat 190 patrons. Mr. Garner testified that their hours of operation are from 11:30 A.M. to 12:00 A.M., Monday through Saturday, and 11:30 A.M. to 11:00 P.M. on Sunday. Mr. Garner testified that they will hire approximately 110 employees. Mr. Garner testified that all managers, servers, and bartenders will be alcohol awareness certified.

Ronald Craig Green, Member and 11% shareholder of Glory Days Grill of Ellicott City, LLC, was sworn and testified that he has lived in Howard County for 30 years, is a registered voter, and is alcohol awareness certified. Mr. Green testified that he will not be on-site full time, but will stop in periodically to observe the operation, and speak to the manager. Mr. Green testified that he is familiar with the rules and regulations governing the sale of alcoholic beverages.

The following Exhibit was entered into the record:

Exhibit #1 - menu

Pursuant to Rule 6.13 of the Liquor Board Rules and Regulations, the Applicants' attorney waived the right to request the Liquor Board to hear the case.

FINDINGS OF FACT

1. The Hearing Board finds that Ronald Craig Green, Jeffrey Ira Newman, and Robert Blaise Garner on behalf of Glory Days Grill of Ellicott City, LLC, t/a Glory Days Grill, have applied for a new Class B Beer, Wine, and Liquor 7-day on-sale license for a 7,800 square foot restaurant with a 700 square foot outdoor patio located at 10035 Baltimore National Pike, Ellicott City, Maryland 21042.

2. The Hearing Board finds that the Applicants are fit and proper persons to hold an alcoholic beverage license.

3. The Hearing Board finds that Ronald Craig Green has been a Howard County resident for more than two years, is a registered voter, and an 11% shareholder of Glory Days Grill of Ellicott City, LLC, t/a Glory Days Grill.

4. The Hearing Board finds that the granting of the application is necessary for the accommodation of the public.

5. The Hearing Board finds that the granting of this application will not unduly disturb the peace and safety of the residents in the neighborhood.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

1. The Hearing Board concludes that Ronald Craig Green, Jeffrey Ira Newman, and Robert Blaise Garner on behalf of Glory Days Grill of Ellicott City, LLC, t/a Glory Days Grill, have applied for a new Class B Beer, Wine, and Liquor 7-day on-sale license for a 7,800 square foot restaurant with a 700 square foot outdoor patio located at 10035 Baltimore National Pike, Ellicott City, Maryland 21042.

2. The Hearing Board concludes that the Applicants are fit and proper persons to hold an alcoholic beverage license.

3. The Hearing Board concludes that Ronald Craig Green meets the requirements of Rules 1.09(T), 1.09(U), 2.06, and 2.10 of the Liquor Board Rules and Regulations concerning resident agent qualifications.

4. The Hearing Board concludes that the granting of the application is necessary for the accommodation of the public.

5. The Hearing Board concludes that the granting of the application will not unduly disturb the peace and safety of the residents in the neighborhood.

ORDER

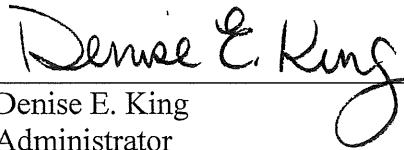
For the foregoing reasons, it is this 14th day of July, 2015, by the Alcoholic Beverage Hearing Board of Howard County, Maryland **ORDERED** that the application of Ronald Craig Green, Jeffrey Ira Newman, and Robert Blaise Garner on behalf of Glory Days Grill of Ellicott City, LLC, t/a Glory Days Grill for a new Class B Beer, Wine, and Liquor 7-day on-sale license for a 7,800 square foot restaurant with a 700 square foot outdoor patio located at 10035 Baltimore National Pike, Ellicott City, Maryland 21042, be and the same is hereby **GRANTED** subject to the following conditions:

1. That this **PROPOSED DECISION AND ORDER** shall become final when the Applicants obtain the license and comply with the following conditions:

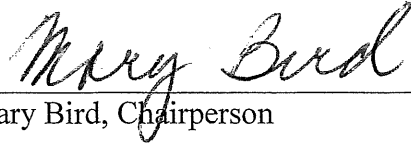
- (a) The Applicants comply with all State and County rules and regulations; and
- (b) Failure to comply with these conditions and obtain the license by August 31, 2015, shall render this Proposed Decision and Order null and void.

ATTEST:

ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE HEARING
BOARD OF HOWARD COUNTY,
MARYLAND



Denise E. King
Administrator



Mary Bird, Chairperson



Harry Evans, III, Vice-Chairperson

REVIEWED BY HOWARD COUNTY
OFFICE OF LAW
GARY W. KUC
COUNTY SOLICITOR

ABSENT

Charles C. Feaga, Member

ABSENT

Heather Gaetano, Member



Lewis Taylor, Esquire
Assistant County Solicitor



Charley C. Sung, Member