## STATE OF CONNECTICUT DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER PROTECTION

## NOTICE AND PARTICULARS

By Email: vishal@1920barandbistro.com

*In the matter of:* 

Vishal Dhar, Permittee 1920 Bar & Bistro 2 Wilton Avenue Norwalk, CT 06851 Permit No. LIR.0021261 Case No. 2024-421 Backer: 1920 Bar & Bistro LLC

PURSUANT TO CONN. GEN. STAT. § 30-43 AS AMENDED:

Pursuant to Chapter 545 generally and specifically Section 30-55 of the Connecticut General Statutes as amended, you and a member of the backer limited liability company are hereby summoned to appear before the Department of Consumer Protection of the State of Connecticut, on the 6<sup>th</sup> day of February 2025 at 1:30 p.m., remotely through Microsoft Teams, then and there to answer to the complaint and charges of said Division, the particulars of which are as follows:

## Incident 1. November 5, 2024

**Charge 1. Disqualification of Applicant or Permittee.** As of November 5, 2024, the Department has reasonable cause to believe that you have been convicted of a felony as such term is defined in section 53a-25 and, consequently, should have your permit revoked pursuant to Section 30-47(a)(5) of the Connecticut General Statutes.

## AS MORE PARTICULARLY SET FORTH:

The department received a letter from you on November 5, 2024, reporting that you were recently convicted of a felony. Specifically, on October 8, 2024, you were adjudicated guilty of having violated Title 26 of the United States Code, § 7201. The nature of that offense is tax evasion – evasion of payment. You were sentenced to one year and one day of imprisonment, which means that you have committed a felony as such term is defined in Conn. Gen. Stat. § 53a-25. Although you have already paid \$272,390.07 in restitution, you were also sentenced to two years of supervised release, which you have not yet completed because your term of imprisonment is set to commence on February 12, 2025. Further, in imposing your sentence, the court noted that in committing your offense, you deliberately avoided and evaded the authorities, which indicates which indicates that you are not able to

safely or competently perform the duties associated with holding a liquor permit. For the foregoing reasons, your permit should be revoked.

PLEASE BE ADVISED THAT YOU WILL BE EXPECTED TO APPEAR WHEN YOUR HEARING IS CALLED BY THE COMMISSION. FAILURE TO APPEAR AT THE DESIGNATED TIME MAY RESULT IN A DEFAULT. YOU WILL BE REQUIRED TO SHOW CAUSE, IF THERE BE ANY, WHY YOUR LIQUOR PERMIT SHOULD NOT BE REVOKED OR SUSPENDED OR ANY OTHER AUTHORIZED PENALTY IMPOSED ON YOU.

This matter is being set down for a formal hearing following a compliance meeting scheduled for February 4, 2025.

If you have any questions, please contact Anna C. Martinez of the Department of Consumer Protection's Legal Division by email <u>Anna.Martinez@ct.gov</u>

Dated this 27th day of January 2025.

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