



MEMORANDUM

TO: Alcoholic Beverage Control Board

DATE: June 11, 2021

FROM: Carrie Craig, Records and Licensing
Supervisor

RE: Licensing Report

Staff Changes

On April 29, 2021 Randi Baker submitted her resignation as an Occupational Licensing Examiner. She had accepted a promotion in a different department with the state of Alaska. Her last day was May 12th and we miss her dedication and sense of humor.

Olivia Frank and Nate Hall will begin transitioning to processing marijuana applications by training with Jacqlene Drulis, our new Local Government Specialist and our seasoned marijuana licensing examiner.

We have recruited and interviewed for the two vacant examiner positions and are currently waiting for the necessary approvals from the state.

Jennifer Dufresne continues to be our AMCO's backbone on our front lines. We simply would not be able to do what we do without her.

I want to thank Kristina Serezhenkov for her willingness to take on new duties by caring of the front desk, reviewing and issuing permits and handling the phones/walk-ins during Jennifer's absence earlier this month.

Alcohol Application Statistics

Renewals

At the last regular board meeting, we had a backlog of about 470 renewals to be reviewed and deemed complete. I am happy to report that all renewal applications have been reviewed. There are 79 various renewal applications on this agenda as well as 2 reinstatement requests.

New/Transfer Applications

Since January 1, 2021 to the date of this report, we have received a total of 83 new and transfer applications. For comparison, in 2020 AMCO received 73 new and transfer applications within the same timeframe. There are 24 new and transfer applications on this agenda for your consideration.

Currently we have 38 new and transfer applications in the queue waiting for review by an examiner.

Permit Application Statistics

We have seen an increase in permit applications as expected. Since January 1, 2021 to the date of this report, AMCO received 209 permit applications and out of that total, issued approximately 197 permits. At the last regular board meeting, I reported we had only received 26 permit applications.

Reminders

Licensing questions/concerns/applications may be submitted via email to alcohol.licensing@alaska.gov, except for fingerprints and payments, or you may call 907-269-0350 and follow the necessary prompts.

Permit questions/concerns/applications may be sent to amco.permits@alaska.gov or you may call 907-269-0350 and follow the necessary prompts.

AMCO staff continues to work diligently to keep wait times as short as possible, but please keep in mind that applicants may experience a longer waiting period due to the current backlog.