STATE OF RHODE ISLAND AND PROVIDENCE PLANTATIONS
DEPARTMENT OF BUSINESS REGULATION
JOHN O. PASTORE CENTER
1511 PONTIAC AVENUE, BLDGS. 68-69
CRANSTON, RHODE ISLAND 02920

IN THE MATTER OF:  
RAINONE’S LIQUORS, INC.  
RESPONDENT.  

DBR No.: 08-L-0281

CONSENT AGREEMENT

It is hereby agreed between the Department of Business Regulation ("Department") and Rainone’s Liquors, Inc., ("Respondent") as follows:

1. Respondent holds a Class A license for the retail sale of alcoholic beverages pursuant to R.I. Gen. Laws § 3-7-3.

2. R.I. Gen. Laws § 3-5-21 provides that every license is subject to revocation or suspension and a licensee is subject to fine by the Department, on its own motion, for breach by the holder of the license of the conditions on which it was issued or for violation by the holder of the license of any statute, rule or regulation applicable.

3. R.I. Gen. Laws § 3-7-3 provides:

The holder of a Class A license, if other than a person entitled to retail, compound, and dispense medicines and poisons, shall not on the licensed premises engage in any other business, keep for sale or sell any goods, wares, merchandise or any other article or thing except the beverages authorized under this license and nonalcoholic beverages.

4. On June 3, 2008, an inspector from the Department conducted an on-site inspection of Rainone’s Liquors and found the following:
A. A separate business establishment named the “Cigar Emporium” connected to Respondent via doorway, in violation of R.I. Gen. Laws § 3-7-3 (b);

B. Alcohol being consumed on Respondent’s premises, in violation of R.I. Gen. Laws § 3-7-3 (a);

C. Open containers of alcohol on Respondent’s premises, in violation of R.I. Gen Laws § 3-7-3(a);

D. Respondent’s liquor license on wall in the Cigar Emporium, in violation of R.I. Gen Laws 3-5-18 (a); and

E. Advertising “free beer pong” balls, in violation of § 3-1-5.

5. Based on the above violations the Department has sufficient cause to impose an administrative penalty pursuant to R.I. Gen. Laws § 3-5-21.

6. In an effort to resolve the above-referenced violation and allow Respondent to maintain its license in good-standing, Respondent agrees to the following:

A. Respondent understands that the Department is charged with protecting the public by ensuring that its Licensees are competent and trustworthy and are reasonably familiar with the statutes and law relating to real estate.

B. Respondent shall pay a fine in the amount of $3,000.00, payable to the Rhode Island General Treasurer.

C. Respondent voluntarily waives its right to the hearing process, voluntarily waives its right to appeal to Superior Court and agrees to take all necessary action as delineated in this Consent Agreement in order to maintain its license in good-standing.
7. If Respondent fails to comply with the terms of this Consent Agreement, the Department reserves its right to initiate the administration hearing process to suspend or revoke Respondent’s license pursuant to R.I. Gen. Laws §§ 3-5-21 and 42-35-9.

THE DEPARTMENT AND RESPONDENT HEREBY CONSENT AND AGREE TO THE FOREGOING AS TO FORM AND SUBSTANCE:

Department of Business Regulation  
By its Associate Director:

[Signature]

Rainone’s Liquors, Inc., Respondent  
By:

[Signature]

Maria D’Alessandro, Esq.  
Department of Business Regulation

Date: April 27, 2009

Date: 4/8/09