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Frederick County Liquor Board Announces Staffing & Location Changes *Staffing Updates-Chair Election-Reappointed Member-Relocation*

FREDERICK, Md. –Monday, July 12, 2021, the Frederick County Board of License Commissioners announced staffing and location changes that will affect Frederick County licensees.

After a competitive search, the Board has unanimously selected Mrs. Dawn Shugars as the new Administrator to manage the day-to-day operations of the Frederick County Liquor Board (FCLB). As part of that role, Ms. Shugars will lead the office staff and be the liaison to the Board. This position has remained vacant for the past 3 years, and as part of the Board's restructuring of the office to meet the growing needs of Frederick County. "She is a true public servant, who has demonstrated a positive impact for our community and for our licensees in her 4-year tenure in the office. Even before this new role, Mrs. Shugars brought innovation to the County by establishing the first statewide virtual alcohol training program which has been recognized by the State Comptroller's office and the Maryland Alcohol Licensing Association. The Board looks forward to Administrator Shugars vision and leadership for the FCLB," said Chair Debbie Burrell.

During the Board's hearing on Monday, July 12, 2021, the Board re-elected Deborah Burrell to continue to serve as Chair with a term through July 2022. The Board of License Commissioners is a three Member State Board that is appointed by the Governor and confirmed by the Maryland General Assembly and supported by the County. A Commissioner is appointed for a five year term and can be re-appointed without term limits.

As the FCLB responsibilities continue to grow, the Liquor Board added a new part-time Administrative Specialist, Tiffany Bridgmon. She comes to the FCLB with many years of administrative experience and will be assisting the office with daily operations and Special licenses.

Lastly, after many years at Winchester Hall, the Liquor Board will be relocating in September 2021 to a larger facility located at 1501 Tilco Drive, Frederick, Maryland 21701. The FCLB will be sending out communications regarding all of those affected by the move and provide more details in the near future.

The Frederick County Liquor Board and Board of License Commissioners regulates and controls the sale of alcoholic beverages within Frederick County. It is the duty of the Board to balance education of the liquor laws, compliance and policy for both the Maryland state law and County Regulations in coordination with our County and State partners. The Board is governed by the Maryland Alcohol Beverages Article of the State of Maryland.

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