

THE CITY OF PROVIDENCE BOARD OF LICENSES  
CITY HALL  
25 DORRANCE STREET  
PROVIDENCE, RI 02903

IN RE: Da Vinci Cigar, Inc.  
d/b/a Da Vinci Cigar Bar  
146 Acorn Street, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor  
Incident of April 29, 2018

Matter No.: 18-42126

**ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE WHY LICENSES SHOULD NOT BE  
REVOKED OR SUSPENDED AND/OR OTHER PENALTIES  
SHOULD NOT ISSUE**

Pursuant to its authority under Section 1102 of the City of Providence Home Rule Charter, and Sections 3-5-15, *et. seq.*, 5-22-1, *et seq.*, 5-23-1, *et seq.*, and 5-24-1, *et seq.* of the General Laws of the State of Rhode Island, and Sections 14-300, *et seq.* of the City of Providence Code of Ordinances, the Board of Licenses of the City of Providence (hereinafter the “Board”) hereby issues this ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE WHY LICENSES SHOULD NOT BE REVOKED OR SUSPENDED AND/OR OTHER PENALTIES SHOULD NOT ISSUE to

Da Vinci Cigar, Inc d/b/a Da Vinci Cigar Bar 146 Acorn Street, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor  
(hereinafter “Licensee”)

- Class BX
- Holiday
- Food Dispenser

requiring Licensee to appear before the Board and answer why the Board should not issue an order revoking or suspending all licenses held by Licensee and/or imposing other penalties for violation of the following:

1. **R.I. Gen. Laws § 3-5-21** - Breach by Licensee of the conditions on which license to sell alcoholic beverages was issued or for violation by the Licensee of any rule or regulation applicable;
2. **R.I. Gen. Laws § 3-5-23** - Permitting the house or place where Licensee is licensed to sell alcoholic beverages to become disorderly or otherwise permitting any of the laws of the State of Rhode Island to be violated in the neighborhood;
3. **RIGL 3-8-14** – Sale of alcohol by the bottle prohibited.



# **EXHIBIT A**

# Providence Incident Report

## Summary

**Print Date/Time:** 01/07/2019 20:49  
**Login ID:** dtejada  
**Case Number:** 2018-00042126

Providence Police Department  
**ORI Number:** RI0040900

### Case

<b>Case Number:</b> 2018-00042126	<b>Incident Type:</b> Liquor Law Violations
<b>Location:</b> 146 ACORN ST Providence, RI 02903	<b>Occurred From:</b> 04/29/2018 00:25
<b>Reporting Officer ID:</b> 9623 - Shields	<b>Occurred Thru:</b> 04/29/2018 00:25
	<b>Disposition:</b>
	<b>Disposition Date:</b>
	<b>Reported Date:</b> 04/29/2018 00:25 Sunday

### Offenses

No.	Group/ORI	Crime Code	Statute	Description	Counts
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### Subjects

Type	No.	Name	Address	Phone	Race	Sex	DOB/Age
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### Arrests

Arrest No.	Name	Address	Date/Time	Type	Age
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### Property

Date	Code	Type	Make	Model	Description	Tag No.	Item No.
04/29/2018	Evidence (not drugs/Non-IBR)	Alcohol			two clear plastic vials of alcohol	57216	1

### Chain of Custody

Date	Transaction	From	From Role	To	To Role
04/29/2018 01:50	<b>Type:</b> Intake <b>Code:</b> Initial <b>Tag Number:</b> <b>Remarks:</b>	9623-Derek Shields		2980-Edward Leste	
05/10/2018 08:21	<b>Type:</b> Release <b>Code:</b> Lab Analysis <b>Tag Number:</b> <b>Expected Return Date:</b> <b>Remarks:</b>	7727-Manuel Soares		9623-Derek Shields	

### Vehicles

No.	Role	Vehicle Type	Year Make	Model	Color	License Plate	State
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# Original Report

On 4/29/18 Detective Creamer and Shields responded to 146 Acorn St to conduct compliance checks at DaVinci Lounge (1st Floor) and DaVinci Cigar Bar (2nd floor). At approximately 0025hrs while approaching this location Police could hear music along with someone singing emanating from this location.

Detective Creamer responded to DaVinci Cigar Bar located on the second floor where he spoke with one of the owners, Romeo Rouhana. Police inquired into what type of Hookah that Rouhana was using in the Hookah devices being used both in the Cigar Bar and in the Lounge on the 1st floor. Rouhana and Police exited the Cigar Bar and walked down the 1st floor where Rouhana attempted to remove the top of a Hookah device. Police informed Rouhana that they were inquiring about the specific brand of Hookah. Rouhana stated that the Hookah was on the 2nd floor and escorted Police back to the Cigar Bar. Upon reentering the Cigar Bar, Police observed that the manager, Marcelino Abou Ali, had a panicked look as he noticed police. Police observed the manager moving towards a table stopping and looking back at police. Police continued to observe the manager as he approached a table occupied with patrons. Police observed an employee, Michael Faraj, standing at the table and also observed two liquor bottles on the table along with glass carafes and cups. The manager leaned in to speak with Faraj who tried to hide the bottles by placing them in front of him in a small bucket. Police stated to the manager that they need the employee to turn around. The employee stayed at the table not turning around. Police turned to speak with Rouhana and informed him that Police needed Faraj to turn around. Once Police turned back towards Faraj they observed that he had turned further away from Police. At this time police observed Rouhana reach past police and push Faraj into the crowd away from Police. Police went through the crowd and was able to stop Faraj at the back bar. Police removed the bucket from Faraj which contained a bottle of Hennessy and a bottle of Malibu Rum. Police seized samples of alcohol from both bottles.

Rouhana was advised that a report was going to be generated.

A copy of the report will be forwarded to the Law Department for referral to the Board of Licenses.