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APPOINTMENTS

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35GL-20-2023	Renie A. Llaneta	Member	Alcoholic Beverage Control Board	7/15/20	Two (2) Years; July 1, 2020 to June 30, 2022	Committee on Environment, Revenue and Taxation, and Procurement	7/22/20	8/4/20 9:00 a.m.	10/2/20 10:41 a.m.		



OFFICE OF SENATOR SABINA FLORES PEREZ

Chairperson

Committee on Environment, Revenue and Taxation, and Procurement

I MINA'TRENTAI SINGKO NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN

35TH GUAM LEGISLATURE

September 22, 2020

The Honorable Tina Muña Barnes

Speaker

I Mina'trentai Singko Na Liheslaturan Guåhan

163 Chalan Santo Papa

Hagåtña, Guam 96910

VIA: The Honorable Regine Biscoe Lee

Chairperson, Committee on Rules

RE: Committee Report on the Executive Appointment of Mr. Renie A. Llaneta to serve as a Member of the Alcoholic Beverage Control Board.

Håfa adai Speaker Muña Barnes,

Transmitted herewith is the Committee Report on the **Executive Appointment of Mr. Renie A. Llaneta** to serve as *Member* of the *Alcoholic Beverage Control Board* and which was referred to the Committee on Environment, Revenue and Taxation, and Procurement.

Committee votes are as follows:

<u> 3 </u>	TO DO CONFIRM
<u> 0 </u>	TO NOT CONFIRM
<u> 1 </u>	TO REPORT OUT ONLY
<u> 0 </u>	TO ABSTAIN
<u> 0 </u>	TO PLACE IN INACTIVE FILE

**COMMITTEE ON RULES
RECEIVED:**

September 22, 2020

9:57 A.M.

Si Yu'os ma'åse',

Sabina Flores Perez

Revisions Rec'd:

October 2, 2020 @ 8:00 A.M.



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Committee on Environment, Revenue and Taxation, and Procurement

I MINA'TRENTAI SINGKO NA LIHESLATURAN GUÁHAN

35TH GUAM LEGISLATURE

COMMITTEE REPORT

**Nomination of
Renie A. Llaneta**

**To serve as a Member of the
Alcoholic Beverage Control Board**

**For a Term of Two (2) Years
July 1, 2020 to June 20, 2022**



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35TH GUAM LEGISLATURE

September 21, 2020

MEMORANDUM

To: **All Members**
Committee on Environment, Revenue and Taxation, and Procurement

From: **Senator Sabina Flores Perez** *SFP*
Committee Chairperson

Subject: **Committee Report on Appointment of Mr. Renie A. Llaneta**

Håfa Adai,

Transmitted herewith for your consideration is the Committee Report on the appointment of **Mr. Renie A. Llaneta** to serve as a *Member* of the *Alcoholic Beverage Control Board*.

This report includes the following:

- COR Referral of the Appointment
- Appointment Letter to the Speaker
- Appointment Packet and Supporting Documents
- Notices of Public Hearing
- Public Hearing Agenda
- Public Hearing Sign-in Sheet
- Submitted Written Testimonies & Supporting Documents
- Committee Report Digest
- Committee Vote Sheet

Please take the appropriate action on the attached vote sheet. Your attention to this matter is greatly appreciated. Should you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Senator Régine Biscoe Lee,
Chair

Senator Amanda L. Shelton,
Vice Chair

Speaker Tina Rose Muña Barnes,
Member

Vice Speaker Telena Cruz Nelson,
Member

Senator Kelly Marsh (Taitano), PhD,
Member

Senator Sabina Flores Perez,
Member



Senator Clynton E. Ridgell,
Member

Senator Joe S. San Agustin,
Member

Senator Jose "Pedo" Terlaje,
Member

Senator Therese M. Terlaje,
Member

Senator James C. Moylan,
Member

Senator Mary Camacho Torres,
Member and Chair, Subcommittee on Protocol

COMMITTEE ON RULES
I MINA'TRENTAI SINGKO NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN
35TH GUAM LEGISLATURE

July 22, 2020

MEMO

To: **Rennae Meno**
Clerk of the Legislature

Attorney Ana Won Pat-Borja
Legislative Legal Counsel

From: **Senator Régine Biscoe Lee**
Chair, Committee on Rules

Re: **Referral of Appointment**

Bueñas yan Håfa Adai!

As Chair of the Committee on Rules, I am forwarding the referral of the following appointment:

Appointee: Renie A. Llaneta

Position: Member, Alcoholic Beverage Control Board

The appointee's nomination packet may be referenced in the Guam Legislature's website at <http://guamlegislature.com/index/messages-and-communication/>. Please refer to the following document:

"35GL-20-2023– Office of the Governor of Guam – Appointment and Supporting Documents for Renie A. Llaneta, Member, Alcoholic Beverage Control Board."

Please ensure that the aforementioned appointment is referred to the **Committee on Environment, Revenue and Taxation, and Procurement, chaired by Senator Sabina Flores Perez.**

If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact Mary Maravilla, Committee on Rules Director at 472-2461.

Thank you for your attention to this important matter.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Régine Biscoe Lee".
Senator Régine Biscoe Lee
Chair, Committee on Rules



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UFISINAN I MAGA'HÅGA
OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

LOURDES A. LEON GUERRERO
MAGA'HÅGA • GOVERNOR



JOSHUA F. TENORIO
SIGUNDO MAGA'LÀHI • LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR

July 15, 2020

Honorable Tina Rose Muña Barnes
Speaker
I Mina'trentai Singko Na Liheslaturan Guåhan
Guam Congress Building
163 Chalan Santo Papa
Hagatna, Guam 96932

35GL-20-2023
Speaker Tina Rose Muña Barnes

JUL 20 2020
Time 6:59 (1)AM MPM
Received By: Matt

RE: Board Appointment

Dear Madame Speaker:

By virtue of the authority vested in me pursuant to the Organic Act of Guam and the local laws applicable to the following position, I am pleased to transmit the following appointment and supporting documents for:

APPOINTEE: Renie A. Llaneta
POSITION: Member, Alcoholic Beverage Control Board
TERM LENGTH: Two (2) Years; July 1, 2020 to June 30, 2022

The appointment is subject to the consent of *I Liheslaturan Guåhan*. Please schedule a hearing at your earliest convenience.

Senseramente,

LOURDES A. LEON GUERRERO
Maga'hågan Guåhan
Governor of Guam

cc: Lt. Governor of Guam

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OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

LOURDES A. LEON GUERRERO
MAGA'HAGA • GOVERNOR



JOSHUA F. TENORIO
SIGUNDO MAGA'LARI • LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR

July 15, 2020

Renie A. Llaneta
[REDACTED]

Dear Mr. Llaneta:

Pursuant to my authority under 11 GCA § 3500, I am pleased to reappoint you to serve as a

MEMBER, ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE CONTROL BOARD

Term Length: Two (2) Years; July 1, 2020 to June 30, 2022

Your reappointment is a testimony to your commitment to service and the understanding of the great responsibility that this position requires and I know that you will continue to fulfill your duties in a professional manner for others to follow.

Once again, I appreciate your willingness to serve in this position, and I am confident that your time on the Board will be effective and productive.

As you are aware, this appointment is subject to the advice and consent of *I Liheslaturan Guahan*. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Michael Weakley of the Governor's Office at 475-9477.

Senseramente,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Lourdes A. Leon Guerrero'.

LOURDES A. LEON GUERRERO

Maga'hagan Guahan

Governor of Guam

cc: Lt. Governor of Guam
Director, Department of Revenue & Taxation

LOURDES A. LEON GUERRERO
Governor



JOSHUA F. TENORIO
Lieutenant Governor

OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR OF GUAM Nomination and Appointment Information Sheet

The following information is required for submission to the
Speaker of *Liheslaturan Guåhan* in accordance with Title 4, Guam Code Annotated Section 2103

NOMINEE INFORMATION

Last Name LLANETA	First Name RENIE	Middle Initial A
Mailing Address [REDACTED]		Apartment/Unit #
City [REDACTED]	State [REDACTED]	Zip Code [REDACTED]
Phone [REDACTED]	E-mail Address [REDACTED]	
Position to which Appointment is Made Member, Alcohol Beverage Control Board		
Are you a citizen of the United States? Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>		
If no, are you authorized to work in the United States? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>		

EDUCATION

SCHOOL (Name, City and State)	DATES OF ATTENDANCE	TYPE OF DEGREE	YEAR EARNED
High School Father Duenas Memorial School, GUAM	1977 - 1980	High School Diploma	1980
College University of Guam	1980 - 1984	BS	1984
Graduate School Kansas State University	1990 - 1992	Masters	1992
Other Degree			

EMPLOYMENT HISTORY

Name of Present/Last Employer and Mailing Address VML Inc. dba MAS2 Consultants Tamuning, Guam	Position Title President/Owner
	Dates Held 2015 -Present

Previous Employer and Mailing Address Asyenda Realty Management, Inc. Manila, PI	Position Title President / Owner
	Dates Held 2012 - Present

Previous Employer and Mailing Address Chugach Alaska Corporation Anchorage, Alaska Western Pacific Region	Position Title Manager
	Dates Held 2009 - 2014

Previous Employer and Mailing Address Guam Army National Guard (GUANG) Barrigada, Guam	Position Title Construction/Fac Mgmt Officer
	Dates Held 2003 - 2009

Previous Employer and Mailing Address Guam Army National Guard (GUANG) Barrigada, Guam	Position Title Director of Logistics
	Dates Held 1999 - 2003

PRIOR GOVERNMENT OF GUAM SERVICE

Agency or Department Name		Position Title	
Address	Phone No.	Dates Held	

Agency or Department Name		Position Title	
Address	Phone No.	Dates Held	

PRIOR GOVERNMENT SERVICE (EXCLUDING GOVERNMENT OF GUAM)

Agency or Department Name US Navy Fleet & Family Service Ctr.		Position Title Program Administrator	
Address GUAM	Phone No.	Dates Held 1996 - 1999	

Agency or Department Name US Defense Logistics Agency (DLA)		Position Title Section Chief / Contracting Officer	
Address Richmond, VA	Phone No.	Dates Held 1993 - 1995	

TRAINING

INSTITUTE/SEMINARS/ON-THE-JOB TRAINING	DATE
** SEE ATTACHMENT **	

AWARDS

List all educational, professional, civic awards, and recognition for public service:
** SEE ATTACHMENT **

PROFESSIONAL INVOLVEMENT

List involvement on a local/national/international level. List organizations, activities participated in, and offices held:
Chairman, Alcohol Beverage Control Board Economic Adviser (Asia-Pacific), Office of the Governor of Guam Member, Guam Contractors Association Member, Society of American Military Engineers (SAME), Guam & PI Chapter

COMMUNITY / CIVIC INVOLVEMENT

<i>List organizations, activities participated in, and offices held:</i>
Employer Director & Member, Employer Support of the Guard and Reserve Member, Guam Chamber of Commerce Past Member, Guam Veterans Council

PUBLICATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS

<i>List any published articles, papers delivered at professional meetings, etc.:</i>

MILITARY SERVICE (Please attach Form DD-214)

<i>BRANCH</i>	<i>DATES OF SERVICE</i>	<i>RANK AT DISCHARGE</i>	<i>TYPE OF DISCHARGE</i>
US ARMY	1981 - 2009	Lt. Col	HONORABLE

OTHER INFORMATION

(1) Have you ever been found guilty of a felony in any court, whether within or without the United States?

Yes No If so, please specify in detail: _____

Address of the Court: _____

Date(s) of Conviction: _____

Specific Infraction Committed: _____

(2) Have you ever been declared mentally incompetent by any court, whether within or without the United States?

Yes No If so, please specify in detail the reasons and facts related to such declaration:

(3) Have you ever been found not guilty or not punishable in any criminal proceedings by reason of insanity?

Yes No

(4) Have you ever been confined to a mental institution for any reason?

Yes No If so, please specify in why the appointing authority believes you that you are not suffering from any mental illness or affliction:

LOURDES A. LEON GUERRERO
Governor

JOSHUA F. TENORIO
Lieutenant Governor



OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR OF GUAM

Statement of Financial Interests


(Required by 4 G.C.A. §13104.1)

TO: The Honorable Lourdes A. Leon Guerrero
Governor of Guam
Ricardo J. Bordallo Governor's Complex
Adelup, Guam 96910

FROM: Renie A. Llaneta

- I have no financial interest in any business
- I do have interest(s) in the following business(es):

NAME AND ADDRESS OF BUSINESS INTEREST	TYPE AND AMOUNT OF INTEREST
VML Inc, dba MAS2 Consultants	Apartment Rentals & Consultant
[REDACTED]	


Signature

17 Jul 20
Date

AFFIDAVIT / DECLARATION UNDER PENALTY OF PERJURY

I, the undersigned, do hereby depose and say that: (1) I have read and reviewed the information contained in the attached Appointment/Nomination letter from the Governor of Guam; (2) that the matters contained in the Appointment/Nomination letter, together with all attachments thereto, are true and correct and that I am competent to testify to said matters; and (3) that this Declaration is made for the purpose of complying with the requirements of 4 G.C.A. Section 2103.5.

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of Guam (4 G.C.A. Section 4308) that the foregoing is true and correct.


Renie A. Llaneta

Print Name and Signature

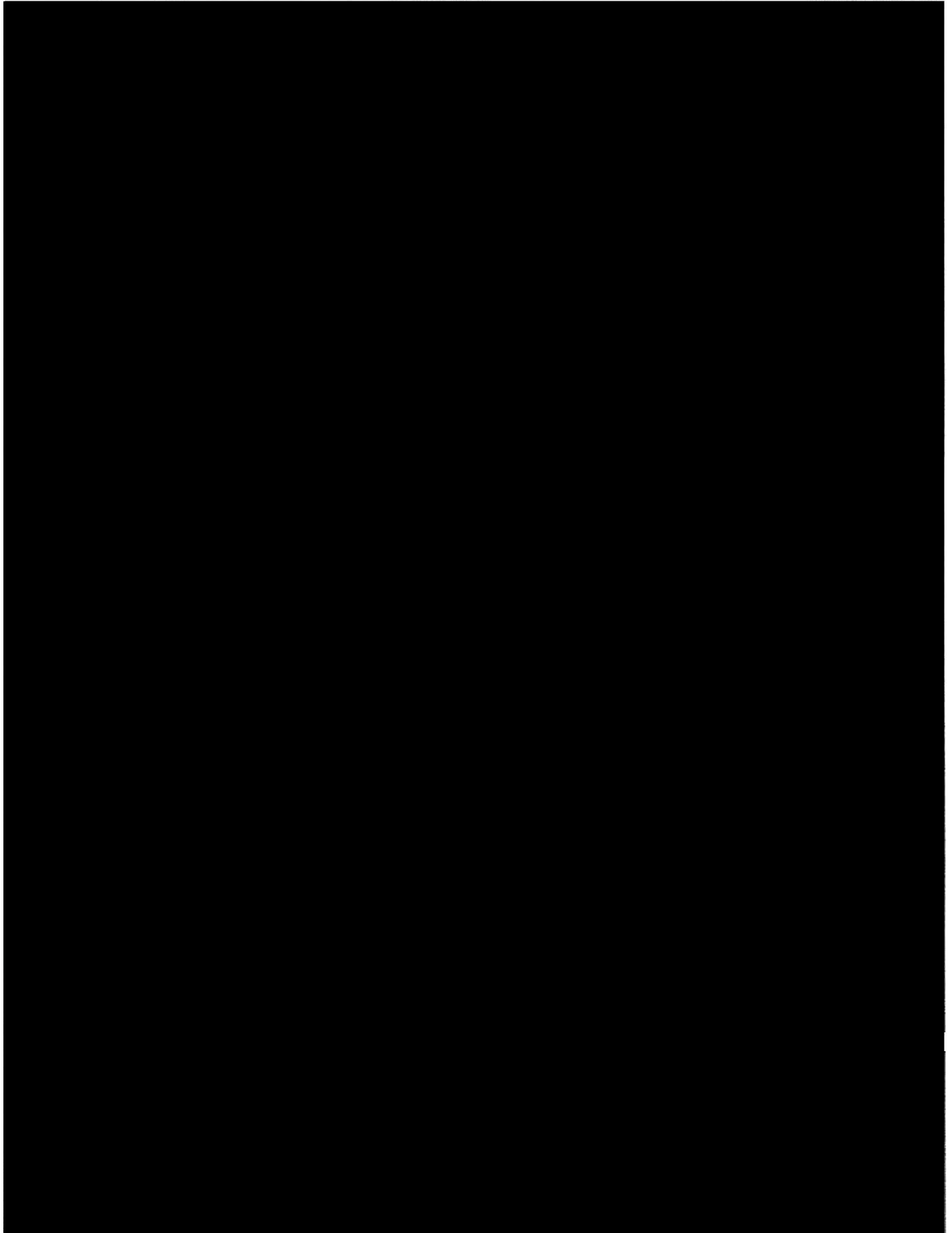


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Fax (671) 472-2856

DANIELLE T. ROSETE
Clerk of Court

Name: RENIE A. LLANETA

SS#:

ID#



Date of Birth



CERTIFICATE OF SEARCH

The undersigned Clerk hereby certifies the following results of a diligent search of the records of this Court:

Criminal Cases:

- A. No Case Found
- B. 1. Criminal Case No.
- 2. Criminal Case No.
- 3. Criminal Case No.
- 4. Criminal Case No.
- 5. Criminal Case No.

Criminal Record: Page 1 of 1

Civil Cases:

- A. No Case Found
- B. 1. Civil Case No.
- 2. Civil Case No.
- 3. Civil Case No.
- 4. Civil Case No.
- 5. Civil Case No.

Civil Record: Page 1 of 1

Request for further information may be addressed at the Records Division of the Superior Court of Guam, Guam Judicial Center, 120 West O'Brien Drive, Hagatña, Guam. Hours of operation are Monday – Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Closed Saturday, Sunday and local/federal holidays. Court Clearances are Non-Refundable.

Dated: 07/10/2020

DANIELLE T. ROSETE
Clerk of Court

BY: CHRISTIANE CACHERO-XIAO
Deputy Clerk

Prepared By: CCX



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Government of Guam
GUAM POLICE DEPARTMENT
RECORDS & IDENTIFICATION SECTION
P.O. Box 23909
Guam Main Facility, Guam 96921



July 10, 2020

SUBJECT: CRIMINAL HISTORY RECORD

NAME:	Renie Andes LLANETA		
DATE OF BIRTH:	[REDACTED]	FINGERPRINT#:	[REDACTED]
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	The individual has no record of criminal conviction(s) in the Guam Police Department files that are subject to Guam law.		

*****NOTHING FOLLOWS*****

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By Direction: roque

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STEPHEN C. IGNACIO
Chief of Police



1st Notice of Virtual Public Hearing: Tuesday, August 4, 2020 at 9:00 a.m.

Office of Senator Sabina Perez <office@senatorperez.org>

Tue, Jul 28, 2020 at 2:37 PM

To: candy.okuhama@asctrust.com, rey.mas2consultants@gmail.com, "Dafne M. Shimizu" <dafne.shimizu@revtax.guam.gov>, "Michele B. Santos" <Michele.Santos@revtax.guam.gov>, joshua.tenorio@guam.gov, "Walter S. Leon Guerrero" <walter.leonguerrero@epa.guam.gov>, mel.mendiola@investguam.com, Tyrone Taitano <tyrone.taitano@bsp.guam.gov>, Chelsa Muna-Brecht <chelsa.munabrecht@agriculture.guam.gov>, info@visitguam.org, shelton@triton.uog.edu, pacificroots@roots.com, info@guamchamber.com.gu, president@ghra.org, asiapacific@tnc.org, reporters@kuam.com, Sabrina Salas Matanane <sabrina@kuam.com>, nestor@kuam.com, Chris Barnett <malafunkshun@kuam.com>, joan@kuam.com, mindy@postguam.com, editor@postguam.com, John O'Connor <john@postguam.com>, Nick Delgado <nick@postguam.com>, reporters@postguam.com, news@sorensenmediagroup.com, news@guampdn.com, news@k57.com, rlimtiaco@guampdn.com, haidee@postguam.com, kstokish@gmail.com, editor@pacificislandtimes.com, Maureen Maratita <publisher@glimpsesofguam.com>, reporter2@glimpsesofguam.com, Guam Progress <guamprogress@yahoo.com>, colinperez@gmail.com, Gabejereza@gmail.com, "Alexandra Elizabeth T. Benavente" <aebenavente@gdoe.net>
Cc: phnotice@guamlegislature.org, ag@oagguam.org

July 28, 2020

MEMORANDUM

To: All Senators, Stakeholders and Media

Fr: Senator Sabina Flores Perez, Chairperson
Committee on Environment, Revenue and Taxation, and Procurement

Subject: **1st Notice of Virtual Public Hearing: Tuesday, August 4, 2020 at 9:00 a.m.**

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Those interested in participating, please confirm your attendance by contacting the Office of Senator Sabina Flores Perez via email at office@senatorperez.org or via phone at 989-2968, no later than July 31, 2020, for further guidance.

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Office of Senator Sabina Flores Perez

Committee on the Environment, Revenue & Taxation, and Procurement

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35th Guam Legislature

O: 194 Hernan Cortez Avenue, First Floor, Terlaje Professional Building, Hagåtña, Guam 96910

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Chairperson

Committee on Environment, Revenue and Taxation, and Procurement

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2nd Notice of Virtual Public Hearing: Tuesday, August 4, 2020 at 9:00 a.m.

Office of Senator Sabina Perez <office@senatorperez.org>

Fri, Jul 31, 2020 at 8:50 AM

To: reporters@kuam.com, Sabrina Salas Matanane <sabrina@kuam.com>, nector@kuam.com, Chris Barnett <malafunkshun@kuam.com>, joan@kuam.com, mindy@postguam.com, editor@postguam.com, John O'Connor <john@postguam.com>, Nick Delgado <nick@postguam.com>, reporters@postguam.com, news@sorensenmediagroup.com, news@guampdn.com, news@k57.com, rlimtiaco@guampdn.com, haidee@postguam.com, kstokish@gmail.com, editor@pacificislandtimes.com, Maureen Maratita <publisher@glimpsesofofguam.com>, reporter2@glimpsesofofguam.com, Guam Progress <guamprogress@yahoo.com>, colinperez@gmail.com, Gabejereza@gmail.com, "Alexandra Elizabeth T. Benavente" <aebenavente@gdoe.net>
Cc: phnotice@guamlegislature.org, ag@oagguam.org
Bcc: charlene@senatorperez.org

July 31, 2020

MEMORANDUM

To: All Senators, Stakeholders and Media

Fr: Senator Sabina Flores Perez, Chairperson
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Committee on the Environment, Revenue & Taxation, and Procurement

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MEMORANDUM

To: All Senators, Stakeholders and Media

Fr: Senator Sabina Flores Perez, Chairperson *SFP*
Committee on Environment, Revenue and Taxation, and Procurement

Subject: **2nd Notice of Virtual Public Hearing: Tuesday, August 4, 2020 at 9:00 a.m.**

The Committee on Environment, Revenue and Taxation, and Procurement will be conducting a virtual public hearing on **Tuesday, August 4, 2020 at 9:00 a.m.** This virtual public hearing will take place virtually via Zoom Video Conference platform. The agenda is as follows:

9:00 a.m.

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Those interested in participating, please confirm your attendance by contacting the Office of Senator Sabina Flores Perez via email at office@senatorperez.org or via phone at 989-2968, no later than July 31, 2020, for further guidance.

Testimonies should be addressed to Senator Sabina Flores Perez, Chairperson, and will be accepted via hand delivery to our office, our mailbox at the Guam Congress Building at 163 *Chalan Santo Papa, Hagåtña*, Guam 96910, via email to office@senatorperez.org, no later than 4pm, August 10, 2020. In compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, individuals requiring special accommodations or services should contact the Office of Senator Sabina Flores Perez at 989-2968.



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Public Hearing

Tuesday, August 4, 2020, 9:00am

Zoom Video Conference

Executive Appointment of Mr. Renie A. Llaneta to serve as a Member of the Alcoholic Beverage Control Board for a term of two (2) years: July 1, 2020 to June 30,2022.

NAME (please print)	AGENCY/ ORGANIZATION	ORAL TESTIMONY	WRITTEN TESTIMONY	IN FAVOR	NOT IN FAVOR	CONTACT INFORMATION
Renie A. Llaneta	Appointee	✓		✓		
Bernie Valencia		✓		✓		

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Hafa Adai Senator Perez,


I respectfully submit this testimony in favor of the executive appointments of Ms. Candy C. Okuhama and Mr. Renie A. Llaneta to serve as members of the Alcoholic Beverage Control Board.

Ms. Okuhama and I have known each other since our high school days at Academy of our Lady of Guam. We also served together on the Guam Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors for several years. Candy is the Vice President of Sales & Client Relations & Marketing at ASC Trust, the investment firm that handles my financial matters. I trust her completely, as I know her to be an honest and dependable person. Her presence on the ABC Board means the Board will continue to operate in a responsible, practical manner with regard to upholding the rules and statutes governing the sale and serving of alcoholic beverages on our island.

I have known Mr. Llaneta, President of Management and Strategic Services (MAS2) Consultants, for several years in his capacity as a member of the Guam Contractors Association. In his role as ABC Board chairman, Mr. Llaneta has done his best to ensure that island establishments follow the rules and regulations that help to keep the consumption of alcoholic beverages on Guam at a responsible, safe level. I have every confidence that he will continue to do so when confirmed by this body.

Thank you for the opportunity to submit this testimony in favor of the appointments of Ms. Okuhama and Mr. Llaneta to continue serving as members of the Alcoholic Beverage Control Board.

Sincerely,



Bernie Valencia



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COMMITTEE REPORT DIGEST

I. OVERVIEW

The Committee on Environment, Revenue and Taxation, and Procurement convened a virtual public hearing on August 4, 2020 at 9:00 a.m. via Zoom Conference platform. Among the items on the agenda was the consideration of the appointment of Mr. Renie A. Llaneta to serve as Member of the Alcoholic Beverage Control Board, whose appointment history is as follows:

- Appointed by Governor Lourdes A. Leon Guerrero on July 15, 2020, to serve for two (2) years: July 1, 2020 to June 30, 2022
- Appointment packet forwarded to *I Liheslaturan Guahan* on July 20, 2020
- Appointment packet forwarded to this committee for public consideration on July 22, 2020

Public Notice Requirements

Public Hearing notices were disseminated via email to all Senators and all main media broadcasting outlets on July 28, 2020 and again on July 31, 2020, fulfilling the 5-Day Notice and 48 Hour Notice of the Open Government Law requirements respectively.

Senators Present

Senator Sabina Flores Perez	<i>Committee Chairperson</i>
Senator Kelly Marsh (Taitano), Ph.D.	<i>Committee Member</i>
Senator Telo T. Taitague	<i>Committee Member</i>
Senator Mary Camacho Torres	<i>Committee Member</i>
Senator Régine Biscoe Lee	Legislative Member
Senator Joe S. San Agustin	Legislative Member
Senator Jose T. Terlaje	Legislative Member
Senator Louise B. Muña	Legislative Member

The confirmation hearing for **Mr. Renie A. Llaneta** commenced at 9:00 a.m.

II. SUMMARY OF TESTIMONY AND DISCUSSION

Chairperson Perez: I will now go over the rules of conduct. The rules of conduct for this virtual public hearing are as follows: the host of this hearing will mute all participants until called upon by the Chair. A virtual background should not be utilized during these hearings and participants face must be visible at all times. When called to speak, please ensure that you are unmuted and that you are speaking into your microphone and please ensure that you identify yourself prior to speaking. Members of the committee wishing to speak may indicate their desire to the Chair through an in-app chat feature. The order of questioning will be in the order of request. Line of questioning will begin with the Chair, and upon completion, the Chair will open up the floor to other members. Each member will be allowed to pose questions to an individual. Individuals testifying shall be recognized by the Chair before speaking, and those that are speaking must state their names for record-keeping purposes. Questions and testimonies shall be confined to the

substance or nature of the agenda. Personal inference as to the character motive of the Senator or any individual testifying is not permitted. Any violations of this general of conduct will result in removal from the public hearing by the host.

Now to begin. Our agenda is the confirmation hearing for two of the nominees. To begin, the Alcoholic Beverage Control Board consists of five members, appointed by the Governor with the advice and consent of the Guam Legislature. The ABC board has the power to license the importation of, manufacture, and sale of alcoholic beverages, and to suspend, revoke, or reinstate such licenses. Every member of the ABC board and every compliance inspector has the power to enforce the laws on alcoholic beverages. So, to begin our agenda with the executive appointment of Mr. Renie A. Llaneta to serve as a member of the Alcoholic Beverage Control Board. So, my apologies we do have Ms. Bernie Valencia from Matson Guam that will be testifying on behalf of the nominees. So, I'd like to recognize Ms. Valencia to provide some testimony so if you can unmute yourself and identify yourself as well.

Bernie Valencia: Good morning. Nice to see everyone. Sorry I'm a little late. I've seen most of you guys recently. For those that don't know me, I'm Bernie from Matson but I'm not testifying on behalf of Matson today. I heard about this this public hearing today, and I wanted to just submit testimony in favor of the appointments, of both Candy and Ray Llaneta, to serve as members of the Alcoholic Beverage Control Board.

I've known Ray Llaneta, the president of MAS 2 for a few years and mainly through the Guam Chamber of Commerce and the Guam Contractors Association. It's been about 10 years now, I believe Ray. In all our workings together in different committees for both GCA and Chamber of Commerce, I've found Ray to be very honest and trustworthy. In his role as ABC Chair, Ray has done his best to ensure the island's establishments follow the rules and regulations that help keep consumption of alcoholic beverages on Guam at a responsible, safe level. I have every confidence that Ray will continue to do so when confirmed, or if confirmed by this body. I just wanted to take a few minutes of your everyone's time. Thanks for the opportunity to submit this testimony for both Candy and Ray to continue serving as members of the ABC board. Thank you.

Chairperson Perez: Thank you so much Bernie for your testimony and thank you for being here this morning.

Ms. Valencia: Appreciate it.

Chairperson Perez: I think at this time I would like to offer the floor to Mr. Llaneta to provide his testimony as well, before we open up the floor to questions.

Ray Llaneta, Appointee, Alcoholic Beverage Control Board: Good morning, and *Håfa adai* Senators and Candy and Bernie. My name is Renie A. Llaneta and today I'm here before you to be confirmed for the Alcoholic Beverage Control Board. I've been with ABC for quite a while. This will be my fifth term, if I am confirmed. My first two terms, I was a regular member and so after that I guess I was approved to be the Chairman of the ABC board. So, this will be my third term as the Chairman of the ABC board. Now I've submitted my resume and bio to the Legislature, so you all have the ability to take a look at my past performance and achievements.

One big achievement for me is I'm retired. I spent about 28 years with the military, and so now I'm a retired military member, and I'm very proud of that, having the military background. Some updates on my bio and resume, recently. First, I was nominated, then selected by my peers, and confirmed by Washington, DC headquarters to be the incoming Chairman of the Employer Support of the Guard and Reserve. It's a very big task. It's a three-year term, and I'm excited to become the next Chairman of the of the ESGR. Some highlights of my tenure with the ABC board, for the last five terms. One is that upon becoming the Chairman of the ABC board, I successfully approved the establishment of the Alcohol Server Seller Manager Training Program. It was very hard when I was a member and following the leadership of the then Chairman. We were languishing for about two years to get that off the ground. The Chairman wanted to select one organization to be the trainer and we went nowhere because he wanted to do a request for proposal and select one company. So, he stepped out as Chairman, and I became Chairman and I said to myself oh my god what am I gonna do? This is a big problem, but with the help of the compliance team and with the help of the current ABC members, we were able to get that off the ground and we selected three. We basically didn't compete them. We just gave them what the law said and specific things that we wanted as a board and they came back to us. When they said okay, we're gonna do this, boom we approved them, and we gave them the authorization to basically conduct the training. Mind you, different organizations, they charge differently, they have different venues and things like that. For us, that didn't matter. What mattered to us is they followed the law and they met the specific requirements that the ABC board wanted. That's all that was needed. So, wow we got it off the ground and to this date I think it's going very well. Those organizations have their own individual challenges, but we did it for the island.

A good news, bad news story, during my tenure as the Chairman is, what I like to say at my meetings, we spanked four wholesalers for not following the law. We fined them, and the interesting thing about this is that they had not been fined ever. It was like for the first time, we fined a wholesaler and wholesalers were never fined before. So, during my tenure, we did the investigation and as a board, we determined that these wholesalers were not following the law and we fined them. How did we know this was the first time? Well because the compliance branch personnel went through the books to determine how much their fine was going to be, because when businesses get fined it's gradual. Fifteen hundred, three thousand, it goes up. So, we only fine them the bare minimum because that was their first time to be fined. I see that as good news and bad news. Bad news for them that they got fined but good news for us that now we've set the standard and told the island that as a board, whether you're a small business or you're a wholesaler, you break the law, you don't follow the rules, we're going to get you. That's the message that we want to send but we also want to send a message that if you have a problem and you're trying to do things legally and within the law, we're there to help you. I think many times businesses have come to us in person, and says hey, we have a problem can you help us, and we guide them. If they follow it, then everything is okay.

So, generally as a board we work very well. We're lacking one individual and I'm hoping soon we'll get that fifth member but when I went into the board many years ago, we had a problem with quorum. We had a problem with people making the meetings and things like that and there was a point where we would schedule the meeting and then we would have to cancel it because nobody came. I believe that's the past now and moving forward we've got a great team. We're very conscientious about who can be here and who can be there, and we give advanced notices. So, it's

no more of this, oh they're not here kind of thing and it's a surprise. Those dates of surprises are no longer here. We provide a public service. I believe most of our members are apolitical. Of course we are nominated by the Governor, but we don't see political affiliation as important to us. All we see is did you follow the law? Did you break the law? We'll go after you or will help you. That's basically cut and dry. That's the goal of this ABC board, things are happening very well and we're not controversial. We have not had a single controversy during the five, or during the four terms that I've been with ABC board, as far as I can remember. With that said subject to your questions. Thank you very much for this opportunity to go before you and share with you the good things that the ABC board has been doing for the island of Guam and the people of Guam. Thank you.

Chairperson Perez: Thank you so much Mr. Llaneta that was a very good background and considering you have institutional knowledge, I appreciate that. At this time, I'd like to recognize Senator Wil Castro who has joined us here today. Thank you, Senator. I'd like to open up the floor to questions. What do you see as some of the shortfalls in some of the laws that we have? Is there something that, I guess as a board, you're there to carry out the law but do you see any areas that maybe need to be looked at in handling some of the clients that you that reach out to you?

Mr. Llaneta: I see two major areas that need some looking into and I believe in the past they have been. The biggest issue we have I believe is manpower. We have about six compliance staff, and if you look at ABC compliance and you see six personnel there, you may say wow that's more than you've had in years, where you've only had at one point only two. The problem with that is you see six people in the compliance office, but those six people are doing additional duties. They're doing cockfighting, they're doing cannabis and they're doing this and they're doing and then they get assigned duties to go here. So, it's like you may see six in compliance but look into their duties and responsibilities and you will see that even though you have six you really only have two to work with. That problem poses another problem, which means that we have less people to go out and ensure that people are complying with the law. Making sure that underage drinking is not occurring, making sure that businesses are not open beyond 2:00 a.m. That's a big problem too. Businesses opening up past 2:00 a.m. and part of that problem is we don't have people to go out there and make sure that they are complying with the law. I would like to see that if we have six people in compliance, that's all they do, compliance or if they're going to do other things beyond compliance then bump it up to 10 to 12 people. So, that we at least have a solid six people doing just that, compliance, because I think in the future, if the manpower gets whittled down then the rise of alcohol-related issues will go up. Driving under the influence, teenage drinking, businesses opening up beyond 2:00 a.m. and that's happening.

I have friends in GPD, and they're telling me that, hey look...but what can we do. Our people are maxed out doing other things. I see that happening because now we have great people in compliance. We have people that actually can do the job right. I've been in ABC for a long time and I've had guys there that are... what do they call them ROD, retired on duty. They're sitting there but they're not doing anything. Now we've got people who really are motivated to do something but because they're so good at what they do, they're being told, hey maybe you can do this too and maybe you can do this too. That's a big problem for me.

I said two right. What is the other problem, fines. Fines are too low and we're working it. The ABC compliance branch is doing studies to determine... we're looking at Hawaii and California. How much are they fining for unauthorized selling of alcohol, underage drinking, all of that. We're looking into that but it's not happening soon enough because the compliance team is so busy trying to do other things, guarding the door at Rev Tax, and I see that a lot. They're guarding the door Rev and Tax, making sure people have hand sanitizer on their hands versus doing compliance duties. I guess it's gonna take more money, more funding, either that or don't touch them at all and just have them do compliance. Don't put them on cannabis. Don't put them on gaming. Don't put them on anything else other than that, because really, I think alcohol is a big issue on the island and right now, we're treading on thin ice. All we need are big things to happen and then boom, before you know it, we've got big problems with alcohol. I hope the Legislature is listening to me and hearing what I'm saying, we need help. I'm not sitting here and saying everything is fine and dandy things are working out. Sometimes they are but I think there's a powder keg waiting to blow up and that's because we lack personnel. We like focus and we lack help, at this time. So, I'm ringing the bell. Yes, we need help.

Chairperson Perez: Thank you, Mr. Llaneta, and as you know we have the OFB Chair Senator San Agustin here, to hear all of this and I'm sure he's taking notes on that. Thank you, Mr. Llaneta that was very helpful.

Senator Taitague: *Si Yu'os ma'åse'*, Madam Chair, for the opportunity. I apologize for being late, I had an interview earlier and I didn't want to miss the opportunity to hear the nominees. Whatever I missed, I'll review the tape, but I want to first and foremost thank you both for stepping up to the plate and continuing to serve the people of Guam. It's not an easy job sitting on a board. There's the good, the bad and the in-between. I appreciate that and Candy I think I've heard someone saying that you have a perfect attendance. Bravo, that's one of the hardest things for some of these board members and I know you're well-traveled, but I guess it's keeping you home right now. I know that you make every effort to be on these meetings and um I appreciate both of you. I have been noticing in the paper that there has been quite a bit of bars that have been, they've been in violation or they've been shut down for some reason. It's like, wow, all of a sudden now, this is happening. I mean it's a good thing because if they're in violation, I mean a lot of bars have not paid attention. These bars that are in the back, behind another building and stuff like that. People are starting to go out and do these inspections. I'm really happy. I'm gonna ask you, Candy, is that, any reflection on what the board is requesting for them to do? Renie go ahead.

Mr. Llaneta: Yeah, she asked you, but I can explain if you want me to?

Senator Taitague: Yes, no I'd like to hear from both of you actually and I appreciate this because I think it needs to be... hopefully you guys are pushing them to get their work...

Mr. Llaneta: There's always been an interagency group made up of Rev and Tax, GPD, maybe even public health, in the past, but because of this COVID issue there's even more of a closer relationship with Rev and Tax, compliance, business tax, public health. The closures are not exactly alcohol related but more of making sure that they are following the distancing, making sure that they're following the social requirements of having managers there and things like that. So, what happens if... public health, I think is the lead agency that looks at businesses and closes

them, that when they do that, ABC has to also take their license away so that they cannot operate. So, most of those are not from ABC going out on their own and looking for violations that's alcohol related. Most of those that's popping up in the news are basically because of COVID and the requirements with the current law that they have to follow for the protection of the general public. If I may, I'd like to make a comment about business closures?

Senator Taitague: Sure

Mr. Llaneta: As board, we don't like the close businesses because we don't see that as a winning solution. I can remember in the past, it's been painful for us to say, hey you have to close your business. Currently it's rare and we try to work with businesses to ensure that they go back into compliance because when you close a business it hurts the island. It hurts the people that go to that business. It hurts that business. We are not in the business of closing businesses. We are in the business of making sure that they are in compliance and we work very hard to bring them to the point of compliance. Now if there's a business out there that's on purpose and flagrantly not following the law and that they've been warned and warned, then we close the business, but we don't easily close a business down. If you see those things coming up on the news, that's really not us. It's because of the COVID issues that are coming up and then we have to pull their licenses away. I just make that clear to the Legislature that we are very pro-business. We want businesses to succeed because we see that as a win-win solution for our island.

Senator Taitague: Absolutely, and I'm pretty sure the public greatly appreciate that, as well as the other businesses but to know that you... these bars are safe and that they're following the rules and regulations. You're right. I see you go in there, giving warnings and if they don't comply then you come back and then you give them that opportunity. Okay, thank you, Madam Chair.

Chairperson Perez: Thank you, Senator Taitague. Mr. Llaneta, thank you for accepting this nomination for the fifth time. I do appreciate all the knowledge that you bring to the board. I'm just looking at the board today. Have there been occasions where there was some differing opinions and how were they resolved amongst the board members? Can you think of any circumstances where there was some discussion, difference of interpretation, that needed to be resolved and how was it resolved amongst the board members?

Mr. Llaneta: I don't recall any disagreements that got so bad that tempers were flaring, and voices raised. We've never had any situation like that. Yes, we have disagreements. Sometimes there are more misunderstandings and bringing everybody up to speed to the understanding level, I think is the goal. We work very well as a board. Our meetings are fast and furious. We don't waste time. We get the job done and we look at the watch and go wow okay kind of thing. Yes, we do have disagreements but very rare does it, if not at all, does it get to the point where the disagreements become personal and never ever have I seen anybody raise their voice in an ABC board meeting in the past four terms that I've been in ABC.

Chairperson Perez: Okay thank you. I can tell that you have a very much take charge, can-do attitude, that I feel is going to kind of drive the agendas of the ABC board, but considering that I just want to just check as far as conflicts of interest, you mentioned you were retired, so do you have any conflicts of interest serving as Chairman or serving on the ABC board?

Mr. Llaneta: I don't have any conflicts of interest that's alcohol related but when you serve in an agency like that, there are people, friends and whatever comes up to you and say hey you're the ABC board what about this and that. I want to talk about a recent situation where this person's company was being scrutinized by us for not having a business license, not having a manager's license, not having an account beverage license and so he was a co-owner. I knew him. He came up to me and he was texting me and he was emailing me. I said, hey look I'm sorry but if it's related to that situation you come to the meeting and you tell us what the issue is, but I will not take your personal communication to me as part of the ABC board. He came to the meeting and he was late. I said sorry you're supposed to be on time when you come to our meeting. I didn't entertain him at that moment, but I see that. People who are trying to get over me and get around me, I will be harsher, and I will be stricter when I see something like that, trying to use friendship to go above the law. For me, I don't think there will ever be any conflict no matter how close you are, because I see my butt on the line as well. I have to protect myself to make sure that that no one comes from behind me and say hey you're not doing it correctly. That's generally I think what every member of the board has the mentality of doing it right but helping businesses at the same time.

Chairperson Perez: Thank you for that and for your commitment and your respect to your responsibilities as a board member. Just one last question before I open up to my colleagues. Again it's the same question I've asked, attendance wise, how would you rate your attendance serving on the board?

Mr. Llaneta: Okay this person may be listening, but I was in the Philippines and my order is that there must be one ABC member in the office with staff whenever we have a meeting, and everyone can call in by video or by phone to ensure that we have we have quorum. So, I was in the Philippines and I told the staff and I told this board member, hey make sure that you call me when you start the meeting because I want to be present. She didn't call me, so I got angry. I mean I really got angry and I told this person that these meetings are important to me and I'm not calling in to make quorum. I'm calling it to ensure I know what's going on with ABC because you never know what comes up. I want to be well informed. My thought process with ABC meetings is, I'm not there just to make quorum. I'm not there to just be a body sitting on a chair listening. I'm there to absorb and learn and know and that if for us, any unknown reason I can't make it then I'm going to call someone and say what happened but it's rare for me not to make a meeting. A meeting could be calling in or being there in person, yes and that's how Candy makes it sometimes too because she calls in in different hours of the of the day, when she's in Brazil and she's in the Philippines, in Japan because she travels a lot, that girl, but she makes it a point to call-in thereby ensuring that she makes 100% attendance.

Chairperson Perez: I appreciate that answer. I'll open the floor to my colleagues. Senator Kelly Marsh (Taitano).

Senator Marsh (Taitano): *Si Yu'os ma'åse'*, Madam Chair, and that's a perfect example, I think, of modernizing and updating some of our systems to make it more efficient and make it continue to serve the community, is having that video call-in or that telephone call-in. As long as the assurance of integrity is there, so having at least one member be physically there is a good way to

have that assurance. Thanks for sharing that. I wanted to get back to, you had mentioned that this was the first time that fines have been paid out. It's very good to hear that the board is pro-business because really that's what a lot of enforcement is. It's not punishment for punishment sakes. It's to hopefully get compliance and provide incentives or pathways and get compliant, so that the right things are happening for the community. Can you talk a little bit about why you think that there weren't fines given out beforehand, so that as we look at board members today and going forward we have some expectations as to what we should be looking for in making sure that those board members will indeed apply fines, if you could speak to that a little bit?

Mr. Llaneta: I don't know why they were not fined, although I can think back with my experience with the certain staff who seem to really not be motivated or feel that those things may be necessary. I don't want to blame him but that's my view, and I see a comparison between that person's leadership and who we have today. No motivation, a lot of motivation, looking into the books, not looking into the books, reading the regulations... not reading the regulations and reading the regulations. That's what I can surmise is part of the reason why they were not fined. Maybe in the past there were, hey okay we'll let you go this time and uh don't do it again kind of thing. I'm about audit trail and I'm about ensuring that we don't... I write to these businesses and I reference the law. I don't just fine them and not tell them why they're being fined. I have a stack of paperwork and that that's after-hours work. Beyond the meeting but it's necessary so that there's an auditorium to ensure that people know why they're being pushed. That's the background that I've had while I was in the military. That's the way I do it. I don't know about the way people of the past have done it. Yes, that's my answer.

Senator Marsh (Taitano): *Si Yu'os ma'åse'*, and again it helps us understand a little bit about the dynamics between the staff that you're working with and the board and it's all providing information that gives us a little bit of a clearer picture. It is important at that right time to make sure that the fines do indeed get applied because for some it is going to be what ensures compliance and it does send a message to the rest of the community. It's good to hear that the board balances those things out and tries to work with the business. The other I wanted to ask is, I know ABC is a regulatory entity, but we do have issues with drinking in other places and you had referred to a little bit of that. We have it at GDOE, at the schools, a variety of schools, not just to say its public schools but schools and then we have issues at the parks and at bus stops and things like that. Is there potential or are there already partnerships in place to help those entities that have to deal with keeping bus stops clean and safe and parks safe as well. Are there any partnerships that are in place or do you see room for partnerships where they could work with your board to try to understand how to tackle keeping alcohol out of the parks and alcohol out of the schools?

Mr. Llaneta: Yes, the most recent partnership that comes to my mind is the partnership that we have with the University of Guam. They came online actually in the news about parties at the marine lab and things like alcohol being served and so uh i um... They met with us, with the compliance people and then the compliance officers, discussed it with me and then I met with the president, the vice president and legal at the university of Guam. We came to an understanding of what can be done and what couldn't be done and so they submitted an application to be able to serve at the University of Guam. Their thought process was, we're UOG and we're an adult facility and we have no children. That's not correct either because some you may have child prodigies and you may have people that are at the university. We came to an understanding that with they're

legal and they submit an application and boom we approved the process of them being able to serve alcohol at the University of Guam. That's the most recent but I don't know of any other partnership like with the DOE or any other agency that have come to us requesting the ability to do so. Although I've been asked by Senator about that possibility of government employees having alcohol in a rented facility by the government of Guam. I'm having the compliance people check that because it's not written so that may require some legislative action in the future.

Senator Marsh (Taitano): *Si Yu'os ma'åse'* for that information it helps us understand such as myself and the others who have different oversight, that we might be encouraging our entities to be reaching out to you and to see if there is a way that you can help inform them or help them tackle some of the issues that they're dealing with. I'll go ahead and move this forward for others to open up questions. *Si Yu'os ma'åse'* Madam Chair.

Chairperson Perez: Thank you, Senator Marsh (Taitano). Senator Régine Biscoe Lee, if you have any questions for Mr. Llaneta.

Senator Biscoe Lee: Yes, hi, *Håfa adai* Ray, how are you? I just really want to thank you for your service over the past several terms that you've been with ABC, and for again accepting the Governor's nomination. I want to thank you especially for mentioning during your statement the training program. I think that's really important but also the push that you and Candy and the board have done to really enforce the law and push compliance. I think that's really essential. I want to thank you for representing Guam and for your continued service with ESGR. I really appreciate your statement and your subsequent responses to the questions by my colleagues. I will just note for the record that I have known Ray for over 10 years, since I moved back to Guam. Every aspect of your life here and your work and both professionally and personally, I've seen you just be awesome. I'm really grateful that you're here, helping to serve our community. I thank you so much and you certainly have my support for your nomination. Thank you, both you and Candy. Thank you. Thank you, Madam Chair.

Chairperson Perez: All right, thank you Senator Lee. Senator San Agustin.

Senator San Agustin: Thank you, Madam Chair. On Ray, my colleagues and to the people Guam. I've known Ray for... we were in the military together. He's a former MP, he's a cop, he believes and if it's wrong, it's wrong. It's right, it's right. It doesn't matter. I like his statement when he says that it doesn't matter if you're friends 'cause when he got on the board, I was a Compliance Supervisor. He knows how I work. I'm a trooper and he's a leader. Lead and I shall follow you. If you don't want to lead, then get out of the way, and he knows that's the rules of engagement when we're together. For my colleagues, I would actually ask that we all support him on his nomination. That we keep them on, keep them busy. In reference to the compliance branch, for my colleagues, just so that we all understand, the compliance branch is not ABC. ABC board is just ABC board alone. Compliance consists of the compliance of business license, anything regulatory. In other words, when you go to Revenue and Tax, and you go to that right side of the building, everything on the right side is compliance branch. It's rough because, I remember when Ray first got on the board and I was the Compliance Advisor, we had only, what, two, three of us that were out there trying to fine, take care of 4,000 businesses to be in compliance. One thousand of them were just

ABC licenses alone. That's almost impossible. We would work nights and days, and there was no overtime. We had to do a shift schedule.

Last year we were able to get Revenue and Tax to get so much money so they can hire more people but it kind of paused at six. I mean, I'm looking forward, and I'm happy that the Chair mentioned that the OFB is listening. Yeah, I'm listening and I hear quite clearly exactly what Revenue and Tax needs but we all got to come to terms with what we can afford at Revenue and Tax because we can give Revenue and Tax all the money to fill whatever but we need to remember that it's not just compliance. It's collections, there's a bunch of factors in Revenue and Tax. Yes, we want ABC, the rule of thumb, right ABC to be safe servers that's what it is. Ray was very clear when he mentioned that the monster of trying to pass and certify or actually allow GCC, GHRA and another group to issue out the ABC Safe Server certification.

Mr. Llaneta: PHRS

Senator San Agustin: That alone was a monster. I know that Ray remembers that, because we sat and we went through that and we're like, oh what do we do and how do we get... because Ray knows that my background is not only in compliance but I used to run the schoolhouse in the Guard and then like I said you can look at Ray and I, and we're both about the same age. We're all young folks, we just retired recently, even though I've been out for 16 years, known him for over 10 in the military. Straight up guy, he's also a former procurement guy, so when we start talking about issues, when you're talking about how to get things done, Ray knows how to get things done. All he's going to ask you is, what do you want, and I'll go get it. That's the kind of guy Ray is, and I ask for my colleagues to fully support him. Ray, you enjoy yourself and I hope to see you for many more years there and then let's just clean up Guam and then everything will just fall in place. Thank you. Thank you, Madam Chair.

Chairperson Perez: All right, thank you, Senator San Agustin. Senator Pedro Terlaje, if you would like to ask any questions.

Senator Terlaje: I just want to thank Ray for being with me for the longest time. Senator San Agustin had mentioned that he was with law enforcement. I was also the First Sergeant for the military, and I worked with Ray for the longest time. I also worked with Joe with the police department. He knows the compliance part and what needs to be applied, as far as enforcement is concerned. I just want to thank everybody for taking the challenge. Thank you very much.

Chairperson Perez: Thank you Senator Terlaje. Senator Muña.

Senator Muña: Thank you very much and, to Mr. Llaneta, thank you again for continuing down this path. I know it's not an easy path. You mentioned that there are how many board members. How many vacant board positions are there in the ABC? Only one, and so currently there's four that's serving in the board at the time, four, so five would make it whole. Yes ?

Ray: We're working on it, as recently as two weeks ago, with the Governor's Office. I've inquired and the last word I got was there are two names in the Governor's list. It couldn't be given to me but there are two names that is going to be forwarded. I'm sure whoever is selected will work very

well with them. There are people that come up, that we don't know but when they see that we have such a tight-knit group and that we work together well, they assimilate. Hopefully they are they are of the same thinking. Making sure that things get done, and it's within regulation, and will be good.

Senator Muna: How many inspectors, now, do you know that go out and actually inspect these businesses?

Mr. Llaneta: I believe we have four inspectors, one admin, one supervisor, three or four are our inspectors. All of them actually can go out and do inspection. We've actually done on all hands, with us, board members, going in and observing right. We've done that but it's tough because the hours that they have to work and then there's no such thing as comp time, something like that. It gets difficult for them to go out but what's assured is if a business comes up and say that business is operating without a license, then we for sure we go out and make sure that's not happening. In terms of making some time, it's challenging because they have other duties and responsibilities. You don't want to overtax them or go against the law of having them work beyond the hours that they're supposed to be working.

Senator Muña: Yes, okay and maybe we could just talk just a little bit about the serve safe program, um the certification. I understand that a lot of the bars have been shut down because of the serve safe, is that something that has been implemented or has to have been compliant with all the bars? Some of the ones that I've been hearing that we're saying they don't serve food in their establishment, but they have to become serve safe. Is that something that has been a regulation forever or is that just something that's being enforced now because of COVID?

Mr. Llaneta: I'm a little bit confused with that question. We have a training program and it's standardized basically. Based on what they presented to us and what we told them are required for them to teach. They give an examination to people, to be a manager or a seller. They provide us with that list and when these people come, we give them a license, just like a driver's license, to be able to serve. I don't know if you're thinking about food but for alcohol it's very cut and dry. You must have a license in your presence to be able to serve alcohol. If you're serving alcohol and you're not, you don't have the license and any compliance officer ask you for your license then you go before the board. We decide whether we take the license away or suspend it. What's happening with these businesses, I believe is not exactly, initially alcohol related it's more of the COVID-19 requirements, having a manager present and all of that stuff. Yes.

Senator Muña: That's one of the things that was told to me, that their managers have to be served safe, uh certified. It's not just because they serve alcohol but what I was told was that maybe, possibly because they also serve some food items. Like for example lemons for some drinks or oranges or whatever it may be. That's what I am understanding. I just wanted to kind of get your insight on what some of the bars are experiencing now they're getting shut down even after being closed for months. That they have to shut down and go and get compliant for serve safe and I just wanted to get your insight on that. If that was the reason why is because of those food items that they're serving in there. I guess the final question would be if there was, standby let me just pull that up really quick. I just want to make sure that I ask it properly. Everywhere else in the country right consumers are able to buy wine online and have it delivered to their homes and businesses

on Guam. Bars and lounge owners can inventory those wines that are sold only by Guam distributors now, would you, how would you consider... would you support legislation that would allow bars and lounges to import wines that are not carried by local distributors?

Mr. Llaneta: Our goal is to support businesses. If it makes business sense and if it makes sense and it follows the law then it's a no-brainer, yes, we will support it. It's a non-issue and there have been businesses out there that have been very innovative in doing things. They come to us, they explain it to us and if it makes sense and it's within the law, it's a no-brainer approved, right. Okay and sometimes they need guidance and we give them that and once they follow the guidance it's okay. We support anything that is doable and that will help the businesses. Yes.

Senator Muña: Thank you. Just a thought, off the top of your head, what you would, how would, would you support it or not. I just want to thank you again Mr. Llaneta for stepping up to the plate with your military background. I know everything that you do in that board will be mission oriented and you'll be able to carry out that mission. I just want to thank you again and you have my full support. Thank you very much.

Chairperson Perez: Thank you, Senator Muña. Senator Mary Torres.

Senator Torres: I don't have uh any questions at this time. Thank you.

Chairperson Perez: All right, thank you Senator Torres. Senator Telo Taitague. I just wanted to also relay the message from Senator Castro he supports your confirmation. He wasn't able to stay on. Senator Taitague.

Senator Taitague: I'm so sorry but I just didn't want to lose the opportunity to thank Ray for stepping up to the plate. I really like his go get him attitude and but appreciate the soft side. There is a soft side to Ray, I've seen it. I've known you for many years too, Ray. I know there's a soft side. I greatly appreciate all you're doing and thank you again, for both you and Candy. Thank you.

Chairperson Perez: Thank you Senator Taitague. I want to thank both nominees for accepting the nomination to serve on the ABC board and judging from the discussion, the lively discussion that we had today. I'm very assured that you're committed to upholding the rules and regs of alcohol licensing. I do appreciate working with you in the future, in regard to, perhaps, amending some laws to and also providing the much-needed resources to assist you in carrying out these mandates. Thank you again for accepting the nomination. This concludes the nomination hearing for both nominees. *Si Yu 'os ma 'åse'* and have a great day. Any of those that would like to provide testimony may do by sending it to my office.

Chairperson Perez then adjourned the confirmation hearing for **Mr. Renie A. Llaneta** at 10:21a.m.

Written Testimonies:

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III. FINDINGS AND RECOMMENDATION

The Committee on Environment, Revenue and Taxation, and Procurement hereby reports out the appointment of **Mr. Renie A. Llaneta** to serve as a **Member** of the **Alcoholic Beverage Control Board** with the recommendation to do confirm.



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