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## **ABC Suspends License of “Dimples Cocktail Lounge” for 45 Days**

**(San Francisco, CA)**- On April 10, 2014, Agents of the California Department of Alcoholic Beverage Control (ABC) posted a notice of suspension at Dimples Cocktail Lounge located at 1700 Post Street in San Francisco, California.

The 45-day suspension is the result of a three-month long investigation by Department undercover agents. ABC filed an accusation alleging Dimples Cocktail Lounge allowed an illegal drink solicitation scheme.

During the investigation, Agents discovered violations involving female bar servers who placed a surcharge on alcoholic beverages in exchange for keeping male patrons company. The bar would receive the cash for the alcohol and pay out a commission to the female employee. This type of commission scheme is a violation of Business and Professions Code Section 24200.5(b). Such practices can contribute to the over-service of alcohol and possibly other violations of law. Under the terms of the stipulated decision set forth by the Department, the license has been suspended for 45 days and placed on probation for three years. If any similar violations occur in the next three years, ABC has the authority to revoke the license.

ABC is a Department of the Business, Consumer Services and Housing Agency.

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