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ABC Posts Notice of Revocation at Rancho Cafe in Sylmar

Crack Down on Multiple Illegal Solicitations of Alcoholic Beverages

(Sylmar) – On November 21, 2013, California Alcoholic Beverage Control (ABC) Agents posted a Notice of Revocation at Rancho Cafe. The business is located at 12953 San Fernando Road in Sylmar. By revoking the liquor license, the owners are prohibited from serving alcohol. The Revocation Order was the result of a cooperative effort involving ABC and the Los Angeles Police Department (LAPD).

During the investigation, ABC Agents discovered violations involving an illegal drink solicitation and commission scheme. The illegal scheme involved bar servers who placed a surcharge on alcoholic beverages in exchange for keeping male patrons company. In 2012 and 2013, LAPD Officers from the Valley Bureau and Detective Support Vice Division worked the location and obtained additional violations. As a result, two separate accusations were filed by the ABC.

ABC Van Nuys Supervising Agent in Charge Brad Beach recognized the team of Agents and the LAPD Officers for their detailed undercover work. “These were excellent investigations,” said Beach. “The Los Angeles Police Department has been utilizing resources through a grant from the ABC. We have a very good relationship with LAPD and it is with this type of collaboration that we can make a positive impact in the community,” said Beach.

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