Decision Number: 60F [2024] 18318

IN THE MATTER OF the Sale and Supply of Alcohol Act 2012

AND

IN THE MATTER OF an application by DUC (NIGEL) HONG NGUYEN for a Manager's Certificate pursuant to section 221 of the Act.

BEFORE THE CHRISTCHURCH DISTRICT LICENSING COMMITTEE

Committee: Ms M Redstone (Chair) Mr D Blackwell Mr D Ivory

Hearing: Christchurch City Council Building on 20 August 2024

DECISION OF THE CHRISTCHURCH DISTRICT LICENSING COMMITTEE

[1] This is an application by **DUC (NIGEL) HONG NGUYEN** E(**'the Applicant'**) for a Manager's Certificate pursuant to section 219 of the Sale and Supply of Alcohol Act 2012 (**'the Act'**). The application was received on 1 March 2022 and related to the applicant's employment at Royal Vietnamese Café and Restaurant, 8 Brake Street, Christchurch.

[2] The Police did not oppose the application.

[3] The Inspector, Gary Hay, recommended the application be determined by way of public hearing on the basis the Applicant has failed to show the knowledge required by section 222 of the Act by failing to attend an interview with the Licensing Inspector. Various attempts, by both phone and email, have been made to engage and all have failed. The Inspector has been advised by Royal Vietnamese Café and Restaurant that the applicant is on extended overseas leave and it is unknown when he will return.

[4] The matter was duly set down for a hearing on 20 August 2024 at 3:00pm at the Civic Offices of the Christchurch City Council. The Applicant failed to attend this hearing.

[5] The application is declined on the grounds of the Applicant not supplying the required information, failing to attend appointments with the Licensing Inspector and failing to attend the hearing. Should the applicant return to New Zealand and resume his position at the restaurant then he should re-apply for a Manager's Certificate at that time.

DATED at CHRISTCHURCH this 20th day of August 2024

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