



Alcoholic Beverage Regulation Administration (ABRA) - LQ

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Central Purpose

- The mission of the Alcoholic Beverage Regulation Administration (ABRA) is to support the public's health, safety, and welfare through the control and regulation of the sale and distribution of alcoholic beverages.

Key Facts

- ABRA conducts licensing, training, adjudication, community outreach, and enforcement efforts to serve licensees, law enforcement agencies, Advisory Neighborhood Commissions (ANCs), civic associations, and the general community so that they understand and adhere to all District laws, regulations, and ABRA policies and procedures.

Goals/Performance Measures

ABRA's three (3) primary goals and objectives include:

- Educate licensees on the District's alcoholic beverage laws and regulations
- Ensure that licensed establishments are in compliance with the ABC laws and regulations
- Engage in community outreach regarding the licensing process

ABRA's core performance measures include:

- Number of new licenses and permits issued.
- Amount of revenue generated by licenses, fines and permits.
- Number of establishments inspected to ensure compliance with underage drinking laws.
- Total number of citations issued.

Programs/Services

- The Alcoholic Beverage Regulation Administration operates through the following 4 programs:
- Licensing - issues new and renewal licenses to liquor stores, grocery stores, restaurants, hotels,

nightclubs, and other establishments that manufacture, distribute, sell, or serve alcoholic beverages in the District of Columbia, and works with Records Management to keep accurate and accessible paper and data records of all licensing program activities.

Investigations - conducts regulatory and voluntary agreement compliance inspections, underage compliance checks, and joint investigations as needed with the Metropolitan Police Department, the Office of Tax and Revenue, the Department of Consumer and Regulatory Affairs, and others; and conducts various inspections associated with licensing and adjudicatory processes such as final, compliance, placard, special event, and financial audit investigations.

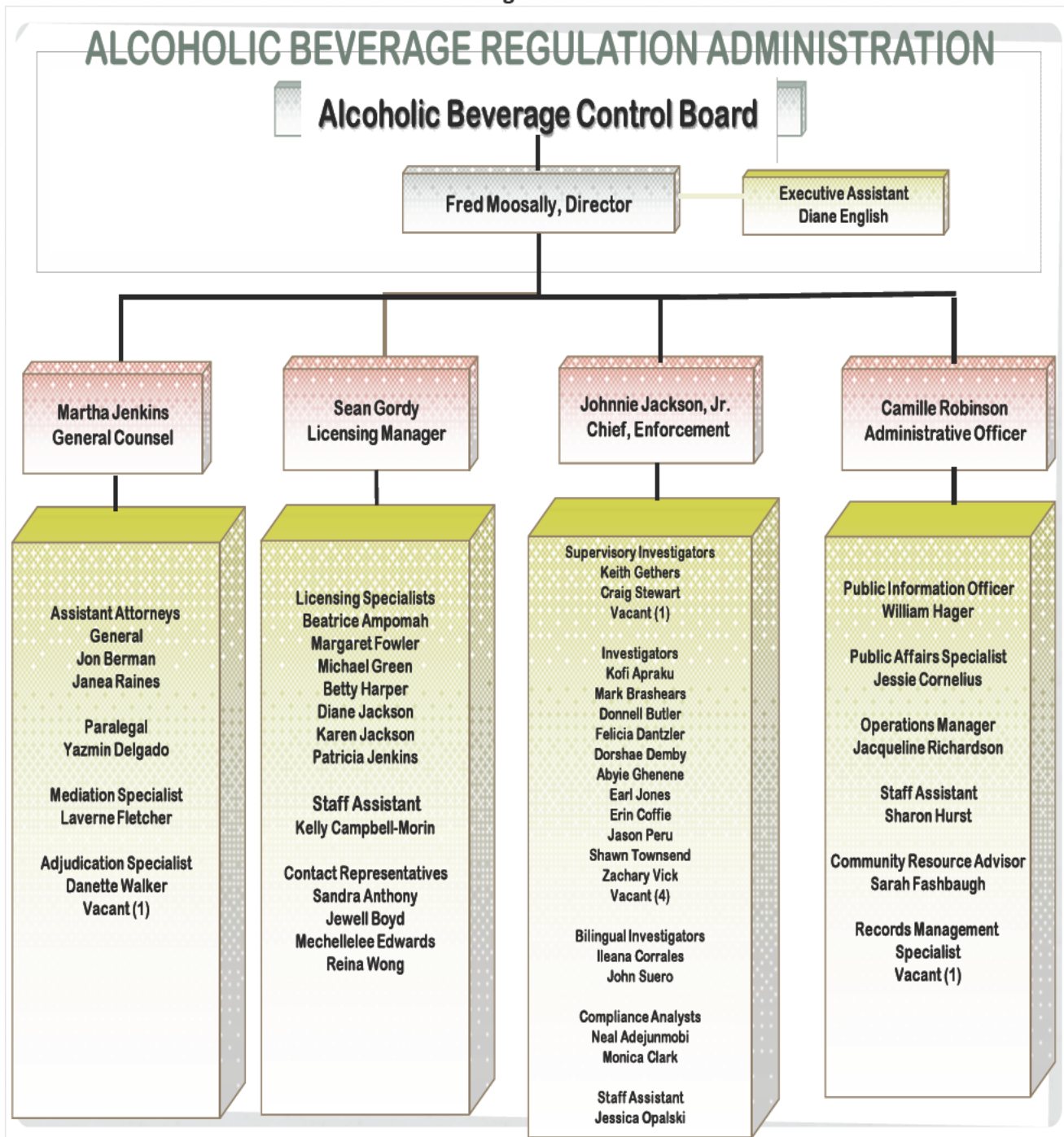
Records Management – provides files, documents, and database information to ABRA Staff, the ABC Board and the general public; responds to and tracks FOIA requests.

Agency Management – provides administrative support and the required tools to achieve operational and programmatic records.

First Quarter CY2015 Hot Button Issue(s)

- Council's consideration of Bill 20-466, the Marijuana and Regulation Act of 2013 that would require ABRA to regulate the sale of marijuana in the District.

Organization Chart



Boards and Commissions relevant to the agency (if any)

Board Name	Name of Chairperson	No. of Members
Alcoholic Beverage Control Board	Ruthanne Miller	7

Budget FY2015

Total Budget	\$ 7,445,930
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No. of Employees

Current No. of FTEs	47
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Union Representation

Union(s)	Union Representative	No. of Members
American Federation of State, County & Municipal Employees (AFSCME)		34

Facility Location(s)

Facility Name / ID	Address	Zip Code	Ward	Main Phone No.
ABRA	2000 14 TH Street, NW, Suite 400	20009	1	(202) 442-4423

Key Projects/Initiatives

Project/Initiative Name	Brief Description	Delivery Date
License Renewal	Class A (liquor store) license renewals	March 2015
Extended Hour Registration Process	Process registration applications for extended hours on District holidays and certain holiday weekends	December 31, 2014

Capital Program(s)

Project Name	Budget ID	Funding Source	Project Budget	Current Balance	Delivery Date
N/A					

Important/Significant Dates

Event	Brief Description	Delivery Date
November 13, 2014	Board hearing on proposed rulemaking to change various procedures regarding the Board's public hearing process.	December 2014

Key Contracts

Project Name	Vendor Name	Total Contract Value	Contract Term
Prevent Underage Drinking	National Capital Coalition to Prevent Underage Drinking	\$ 30,000	October-2014 to September-2015

Key Agreement(s) / Memorandum(s) of Understanding

Project Name	Brief Description	Agreement Term
Reimbursable Detail	Reimbursable detail means an assignment of MPD officers to patrol the surrounding area of an establishment for the purpose of maintaining public safety, including the remediation of traffic congestion and the safety of public patrons, during their approach and departure from the establishment.	October-2014 to September-2015

Grant(s) Awarded (or Pending Award) to Agency

Grant Name	Name of Grantor	Total Grant Amount	Current Grant Balance	Grant Expiration
N/A				

Active Litigation(s)

Project Name	Brief Description

Consent Decree(s)

Project Name	Brief Description	Agreement Term
N/A		