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ABC Suspends License of Pine Street Saloon in Paso Robles

Alcohol Sales are Prohibited during Suspension

(Paso Robles) - On Thursday, April 27, 2017, ABC posted a Notice of Suspension at the Pine Street Saloon located at 1234 Pine Street in Paso Robles. The license is suspended for 25 days and alcohol sales are prohibited during the suspension period. The license is suspended because an employee engaged in the illegal sale of marijuana. If the licensee engages in similar violations during the probationary period additional suspensions of license privileges can occur.

During a six week undercover investigation, Daniel French, an employee at the business known as Pine Street Saloon sold or furnished marijuana on three separate occasions to undercover ABC Agents. French has pled no contest to selling or furnishing marijuana and has been sentenced to 60 days in County Jail and three years formal probation.

ABC protects communities through excellence in education by administering prevention and enforcement programs designed to increase compliance with California's alcoholic beverage laws. ABC licensees and their employees are encouraged to take advantage of ABC's free LEAD training program, Licensee Education on Alcohol and Drugs, which has been highly effective and successful in achieving higher compliance with alcoholic beverage laws.

ABC's mission is to provide the highest level of service and public safety through licensing, education and enforcement. To learn more about ABC programs that help protect communities, prevent alcohol-related harm and potentially save lives visit https://www.abc.ca.gov/programs/programs_PE.html. ABC is a Department of the Business, Consumer Services and Housing Agency.

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