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ABC Posts Notice of Suspension at Shamrock's Bar in Bakersfield

Licensee must sell or transfer the license within six months or the license will be revoked

(Bakersfield) – The California Department of Alcoholic Beverage Control (ABC) posted a Notice of Suspension today at Shamrock's Bar located at 4715 Coffee Rd., Suites E and F in Bakersfield. Alcohol sales are prohibited at Shamrock's indefinitely.

The license is suspended for the next six months and could be revoked if the owner cannot sell or transfer the license to someone qualified to operate the premises.

The suspension order comes after a bartender at the business was arrested for illegally selling drugs to undercover Agents. ABC Agents conducted a six week undercover investigation at the bar earlier this year. Undercover Agents visited the location multiple times and purchased cocaine from a bartender. Additionally, the employee arranged for the delivery and sale of cocaine to undercover Agents from a patron. The bartender's arrest was made on St. Patrick's Day and resulted in the seizure of more than one ounce of cocaine. The involved patron was also arrested on a later date.

ABC Bakersfield Supervising Agent Josh Porter says "this case was a great collaborative effort involving ABC Agents and Officers from the Bakersfield Police Department".

ABC protects communities 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 ABC's free LEAD training classes to help achieve higher compliance. LEAD stands for Licensee Education on Alcohol and Drugs.

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.