

May 31, 2016

Carlie Speelman
Treasury Wine Estates
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Napa, CA, 94558
VIA E-MAIL

RE: Sip the Best Sweepstakes

Dear Ms. Speelman:

ISSUE: This correspondence is in response to your e-mail of May 17, 2016, in which you seek legal review, on behalf of Treasury Wine Estates, of a sweepstakes promotion to be conducted in Pennsylvania.

According to the official rules you provided, the “Sip the Best” Sweepstakes promotion is scheduled to run from March 15 through June 30, 2016. Interested individuals may enter the sweepstakes by visiting www.sipthebestsweeps.com and completing an online entry form. Two hundred entrants will be randomly selected to receive one two-pack of Riedel Overture Magnum glasses. The approximate retail value of each grand prize is \$24.00. The promotion is open only to adults of legal drinking age, and no purchase is necessary to enter.

OPINION: Section 5.32(h) of the Pennsylvania Liquor Control Board’s (“PLCB”) Regulations states that a manufacturer, manufacturer’s representative, or licensee may sponsor sweepstakes promotions subject to the following conditions:

- i. No purchase is necessary to enter.
- ii. Entrants shall be twenty-one years of age or older.
- iii. Retail licensed premises may only be involved as pick-up or drop-off points for entry forms and not for the conducting of drawings or the awarding of prizes.
- iv. Alcoholic beverages may not be part of the prize.

40 Pa. Code § 5.32(h).

This office has reviewed the sweepstakes promotion and determined that it comports with applicable liquor laws and regulations, specifically section 493(24)(i) of the

Liquor Code, 47 P.S. § 4-493(24)(i), and section 5.32(h) of the PLCB's Regulations, 40 Pa. Code § 5.32(h).

Therefore, it would be permissible to conduct the sweepstakes in the Commonwealth in reference to the areas checked below:

- retail licensed premises.
- distributor licensed premises.
- both retail and distributor licensed premises.
- the PLCB's wine and spirit stores, subject to approval of the Bureau of Product Selection (POS only).
- other – Internet, text messaging.

THIS OPINION APPLIES ONLY TO THE FACTUAL SITUATION DESCRIBED HEREIN AND DOES NOT INSULATE THE LICENSEE OR OTHERS FROM CONSEQUENCES OF CONDUCT OCCURRING PRIOR TO ITS ISSUANCE. THE PROPRIETY OF THE PROPOSED CONDUCT HAS BEEN ADDRESSED ONLY UNDER THE LIQUOR CODE AND REGULATIONS. THE LAWS AND POLICIES ON WHICH THIS OPINION IS BASED ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE BY THE LEGISLATURE OR THE PENNSYLVANIA LIQUOR CONTROL BOARD.

Sincerely,



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