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**FOWL BAR TO REMAIN CLOSED THROUGH THANKSGIVING WEEKEND  
Judge Refuses to Lift Summary Suspension for Miracles**

*White Plains, NY* – Hoping for a Thanksgiving miracle, a Yorktown bar’s petition to lift an Emergency Order of Summary Suspension issued by the State Liquor Authority was rejected this morning by Westchester County Supreme Court Justice William J. Giacomo. The judge will render a decision on the bar’s order to show cause on Wednesday, December 2, 2009, however in the interim, the bar will be prohibited from selling alcohol. The decision to keep the suspension in effect means the dangerous Westchester County bar will be closed through the Thanksgiving weekend, with tonight being one the biggest nights of the year for bars.

“Suiting the season, Judge Giacomo saw Miracles’ case as the turkey it was,” said SLA CEO Trina Mead. “The Judge’s sensible decision this morning means parents in Yorktown can sleep a little easier tonight knowing the disastrous Miracles’ Bar and Grill will be closed for business while their children are home for the holidays.”

On November 3, 2009, the New York State Liquor Authority (SLA) summarily suspended the license of Brookside Park Restaurant Inc., doing business as the “Miracles Bar and Grill” at 345 Kear Street in Yorktown Heights, NY. The summary suspension was based on an investigation by the Westchester County Police Narcotics Division, the (WCPND) Yorktown Police Department (YPD) and the SLA that uncovered unlicensed bouncers, employees with felony convictions, cocaine sales at the bar by employees, sales to minors, and numerous other violations. Licensed just a year ago on November 13, 2008, the bar has become a burden for local law enforcement, as police have been called to the premises over 25 times to respond to fights, disorders, and disturbances. The licensee has several additional charges currently pending with the Authority including selling to minors, permitting the premises to become disorderly, and employment of a felon.

Appearing on behalf of the SLA today in Westchester County Supreme Court were Michael Jones, Deputy Chief Executive Officer and Donald Martin, Senior SLA Attorney.

The State Liquor Authority regulates and controls the manufacture, sale and distribution of alcoholic beverages within the state. The Authority works with local law enforcement agencies and localities across the state to ensure compliance with the Alcoholic Beverage Control Law. In addition, the Authority issues and renews licenses and permits to manufacturers, distributors, wholesalers and retailers of alcoholic beverages.

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