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Charter Authorizing Panel
Arkansas Department of Education
Four Capitol Mall, Box 21
Little Rock, AR 72201

**RE: Distance requirements between alcohol permitted locations and
Schools/Churches.**

Dear Sir or Madam:

I am writing to inform the Charter Authorizing Panel of the Arkansas Department of Education of the distance requirements between alcohol permitted locations and schools/churches. Rule 1.33(6) of the ABC Rules provides that a Retail Liquor permit may not be issued within one thousand (1,000) feet of church or school property. *See also* A.C.A § 3-4-206. This prohibition is only applicable to Retail Liquor permits, it is not applicable to other types of permits such as, a Retail Beer Off Premises, Small Farm Wine Retail, or Grocery Store Wine. A Retail Liquor permit is a permit that authorizes the purchase of spiritous and vinous beverages. *See* ABC Rule 1.19(9). Specifically, Retail Liquor permits are the permits that are associated with “liquor stores.” As such, there are no distance requirements for any establishment unless they possess a Retail Liquor Permit.

Your attention and cooperation are appreciated. Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to call.

Sincerely,

Doralee Chandler, Director
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Cc: Tripp Walters