

**WITNESS STATEMENT**

*(CJ Act 1967. s. 9, MC Act 1980, s.s.5A (3a) and 5B MC Rules 1981, r70)*

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Statement of: Darrell [REDACTED]

Age if under 18: Over 18  
*(over 18 insert "over 18")*

Occupation: Licensing and Security  
Compliance Consultant

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This statement (consisting of 3 page(s) each signed by me) is true to the best of my knowledge and belief and I make it knowing that, if it is tendered in evidence, I shall be liable to prosecution if I have wilfully stated in it anything which I know to be false or do not believe to be true.

Dated the 15 January 2024

Signature: D [REDACTED]

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This report and has been produced in relation to an investigation pertaining to a review application against Mama Rose Food & Wine, 23 Compton Road, Leeds, LS9 7BJ.


**Qualifications and Experience**

1. I am an independent licensing consultant and a former Police Inspector, having completed 30 years' service with the Greater Manchester Police in a variety of uniform and non-uniformed roles.
2. The longest period of attachment to a department was between 1998 and 2006 when I performed the role of Force Licensing Inspector. This role involved the supervision of 12 divisional licensing officers, tasking and management of a covert licensing unit comprising a sergeant and six constables, developing force policy and enforcement in relation to all licensed units and employment and briefing of a licensing solicitor to act on behalf of the force in more complex licensing hearings.
3. During the period as the Force Licensing Inspector, I was responsible for the good conduct of outlets involved in selling alcohol but also those that provided gambling, betting and bingo facilities. I have represented Greater Manchester Police at Magistrates' Court hearings, Crown Court Appeals, The High Court and Council Licensing Committee hearings to oppose unsuitable applications and to take enforcement action against those premises whose standards had fallen below an acceptable level. I was responsible for the Force's response to support the Government led Alcohol Misuse Enforcement Campaigns (AMEC) which was highly acclaimed for reducing alcohol related crime and disorder.
4. Throughout my period in the central licensing role Assistant Chief Constable Robert [REDACTED], also from the Greater Manchester Police, was the Association of Chief Police Officers (ACPO) lead spokesman on Alcohol and Licensing matters. As a result of this connection, I became

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secretariat to the ACPO National Licensing officers' group and National Licensing Forum (NLF). The latter group was comprised of trade organisations including the British Beer and Pub Association, Retail Trade Consortium, Business in Sport and Leisure, Magistrates Association, Justices Clerks Society, Local Government Association, Home Office, and Department for Culture, Media and Sport. During the period above, these groups scrutinised and made recommendations for amendments to the proposed Green and White papers, which were subsequently presented to the House of Commons as the Licensing Act 2003.

5. In 2006 on leaving the Central Licensing Unit I received a Chief Officer's Commendation, recognising the contribution I had made to licensing enforcement across Greater Manchester, particularly in relation to my leadership and commitment shown in developing force policy and training in response to the Licensing Act 2003.
6. Between 2006 and my retirement from the Greater Manchester Police in December 2010 I took up the role of Neighbourhood Inspector for the town of Heywood on the Rochdale division. I continued to work with the licensed trade in that area to improve safety in and around licensed premises and reduce crime and disorder. I was chairperson of the Heywood Pub Watch and closed several premises in the town that failed in their licensing objectives using my powers under the Licensing Act 2003 and subsequent amendments.
7. In recent years I have continued my professional development regarding licensing knowledge by taking and passing the National Licensees Certificate and National Door Supervisors courses. This enabled me both to successfully apply for a Personal Licence and to become approved by the Security Industry Authority (SIA) as a front line operative. In September 2011 I successfully applied to become a nominated tutor with the British Institute of Inn keeping enabling me to carry out training in the award for responsible alcohol retailing and the award for personal licence holders which are National Vocational Qualifications. Annually and lately in February 2023 I attended a Licensing Seminar to update solicitors, council officers and practitioners on licensing changes.
8. Since January 2011 I have worked in a consultancy role with licensed premises in Basingstoke, Bedford, Birmingham, Blackpool, Brighton, Bristol, Bromsgrove, Canterbury, Cardiff, Chester, Derby, Guildford, Harrogate, Huddersfield, Lancaster, Leeds, Lincoln, London, Manchester, Mildenhall, Newcastle, Nottingham, Preston, Sheffield, Skipton, St. Helens, Stratford, Trafford, Watford, Worcester and York, producing strategies aimed at reducing crime and disorder in and around venues. In addition to conducting investigations on behalf of operators I have also been engaged by Camden LBC and residents in Cardiff, Chester, Newcastle and York to conduct observations and reports on licensed venues. I would estimate that since January 2011 I have visited more than 2,000 premises licensed under the Licensing Act 2003. In all these cases I believe that I have been able to make a positive impact on the licensing objectives. Only one venue has subsequently suffered a second review application following my guidance. This venue continues to operate following further interventions being made.
9. I am experienced in the production of independent written reports and giving evidence before Licensing Sub-Committees and Magistrates' Courts. It is important to stress that in carrying out this work, I act independently, record what I see and express my own opinions. I am aware that my primary role and duty is to assist the Licensing sub-committee in reaching its decision.

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## Report

10. I attended at Mama Rosa Food and Wine on the 15th January 2024 to conduct staff training. Two people attended. Blind [REDACTED] and Hekmat [REDACTED]. I was told that Mr [REDACTED] had booked on his personal licence course and that Mr [REDACTED] held his personal licence.
11. Training was given on the BII Award for Responsible Alcohol Retailing, Vulnerability (see attached recommendation), Conflict management, Illicit Goods. Crime Scene Management and Counter Terrorism training.
12. Specific attention was given to the Under Age Sales, selling to drunks and illicit goods training, due to the local issues in respect of these.
13. Whilst at the store I viewed the CCTV system (8 cameras) which covered the whole shop, front and rear entrances, and till area. Recording were available above the 31 days required on the licence and the time and date display was correct.
14. The current Premises Licence and authorisation for the holding of the premises licence was displayed along with the premises licence DPS variation acknowledgement. Other signage displayed related to Challenge 25, No cold callers selling alcohol or tobacco, and no sale of alcohol or tobacco to under 18's ( see photographs 1-6 taken at the time of the visit).
15. I also viewed the refusals/ incident log which recorded 3 incidents when requests for alcohol (x2) and tobacco (x1) had been refused.
16. In addition to the current notices, I would recommend:  
Signs be displayed advertising:  
-The Ask Angela scheme.  
- Illegal to sell alcohol to someone who appears drunk.

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Licensing and Security Consultant

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Burmantofts, Leeds, LS9 7BJ

Designated Premises

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### Premises Licence

Part B  
Schedule 12 Licensing Act 2003

Premises licence number: PREM/03080/005  
Initial licence from: 2nd November 2021  
Current version effective from: 15th February 2022

**Premises Address** **Mama Rose Food And Wine, 23 Compton Road, Burmantofts, Leeds, LS9 7BJ**

**Licensable activities authorised by this licence**

Sale by retail of alcohol

**Times the licence authorises the carrying out of licensable activities**

Sale by retail of alcohol  
Monday to Saturday  
Sunday

06:30 - 21:00  
08:00 - 21:00

**Opening hours of the premises**

Monday to Saturday  
Sunday

**Alcohol consumption:**

Alcohol is sold for consumption off the premises

06:30 - 21:00  
08:00 - 21:00

**Premises licence holder(s):**

Narmin Ahmed, 44 Abbott View, Leeds, LS12 2JN

**Designated premises supervisor:**

Mr Vipool Patel

**Access by children:**

Access to the premises by children is unrestricted.

Licence issued under the authority of Leeds City Council

*B. Massey*

Mrs Bridget Massey  
Licensing Officer  
Entertainment Licensing  
Elections, Licensing and Registration

Licence produced on 14/03/2022 by N





NOMINATION NOTICE

S57 LICENSING ACT 2003

We, Compton Store Leeds Limited, being the Premises Licence Holder in respect of Mama Rose Food & Wines, 23 Compton Road, Burmantofts, Leeds, LS9 7BJ, have nominated

Hekmat [REDACTED] Designated Premises Supervisor

as shown on the summary of the licence to keep the Premises Licence at these premises under their custody and control for the purpose of Section 57 (2) of the Licensing Act 2003.

In the absence of the DPS, the Duty Manager will be able to produce the full licence upon the request of an authorised person.

The summary (Part B) of the premises licence is displayed in a prominent position, as required, and the full copy of the licence (Part A) can be produced by one of the persons specified above.

Signed

Dated

[REDACTED]  
12/01/2024

Woods Whur  
St James House  
28 Park Place  
Leeds  
LS1 2SP

Dear Sirs

**Application to vary a p  
Premises Supervisor.  
Premises: Mama Rose  
Incoming DPS: Hekmat**

We are in receipt of yo  
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Yours faithfully

[REDACTED]  
Miss Charlotte D  
Licensing Office  
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NOTIFICATION NOTICE

LICENSING ACT 2003

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[redacted] Leeds, LS9 7BJ, have nominated

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**Elections and Regulatory Service**  
Entertainment Licensing  
Civic Hall  
Leeds LS1 1UR

Contact: Miss Charlotte [redacted]  
Tel: [redacted]  
Email: [redacted]  
Our Ref: PREM/03080/010

11th January 2024

Woods Whur  
St James House  
28 Park Place  
Leeds  
LS1 2SP

Dear Sirs

**Application to vary a premises licence to specify an individual as the Designated  
Premises Supervisor.**  
Premises: Mama Rose Food And Wine, 23 Compton Road, Burmantofts, Leeds, LS9 7BJ  
Incoming DPS: Hekmat [redacted]

We are in receipt of your application to specify an individual as the Designated Premises  
Supervisor and payment of [redacted]

If you have submitted this application to us by post or in person you must also send a copy to  
West Yorkshire Police.

Unless we receive any relevant representations your new licence will be despatched in 14 days.  
Hekmat [redacted] can operate as designated premises supervisor at the premises  
immediately.

We recommend that you keep a copy of this letter on the premises if the licence you have  
submitted with this application is the only copy you have.

If the appointment of the new Designated Premises Supervisor for these premises has resulted  
in a change of address on their personal licence then they are, under the Licensing Act 2003,  
required to notify the issuing authority.

Please do not hesitate to contact us should you require any further assistance.

Yours faithfully

[redacted signature]

Miss Charlotte [redacted]  
Licensing Officer  
Entertainment Licensing

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General Enquiries: 0113 222 4444

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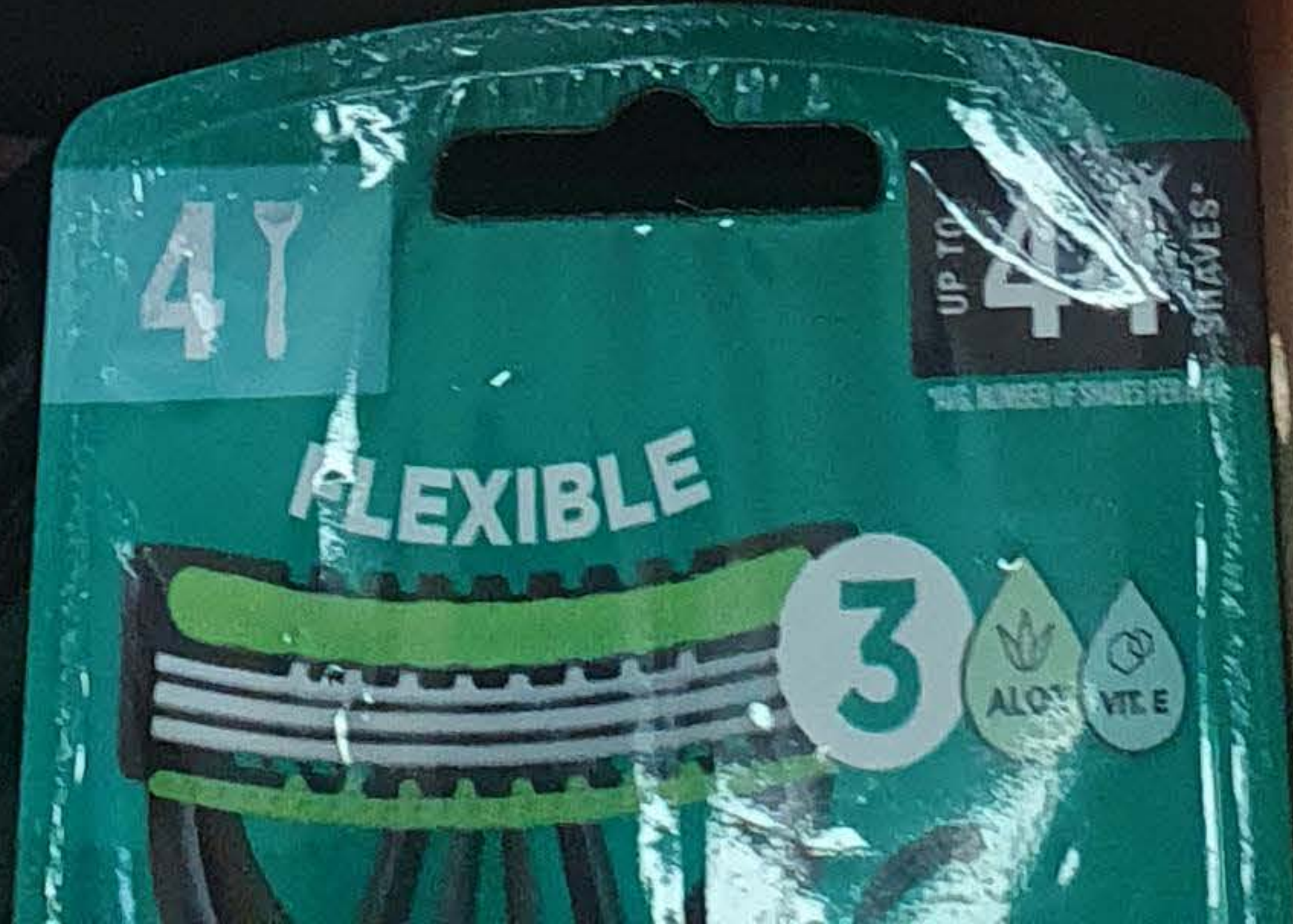
Mrs Bridget [redacted]

Licensing Officer

Entertainment Licensing

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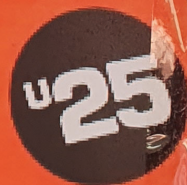
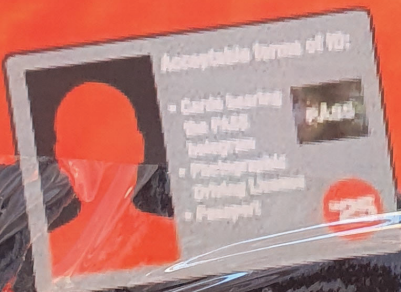
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# UNDER 25?

Please be  
prepared to show  
proof of age  
when buying age  
restricted products



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alcohol and tobacco products will not be purchased from "cold callers" visiting the premises.