

Decision Number: 60F [2021] 10278

IN THE MATTER OF the Sale and Supply of Alcohol Act 2012

AND

IN THE MATTER OF an application by **AARTI MIHIR PATEL**
for a **Manager's Certificate** pursuant to
section 219 of the Act

BEFORE THE CHRISTCHURCH DISTRICT LICENSING COMMITTEE

Committee

Chairperson: Mrs M.S. Redstone, JP

Members: Mr D.L. Blackwell, QSM
Miss L. Shields

Appearances: Ms Patel – the Applicant
Mr Martin Ferguson – Christchurch Alcohol Licensing Inspector
Snr Constable Jolliffe – New Zealand Police

DECISION ON APPLICATION FOR MANAGER'S CERTIFICATE

[1] This is an application by **AARTI MIHIR PATEL** ('the applicant') for a Manager's Certificate pursuant to section 219 of the Sale and Supply of Alcohol Act 2012 ('the Act').

[2] There is no opposition from the NZ Police.

[3] The Inspector recommended that the Committee hear the application by way of a public hearing as Ms Patel had failed on three separate occasions to demonstrate she has sufficient knowledge of the Act.

[4] The District Licensing Committee ('DLC') heard the application from Ms Patel on 1 February 2022. The Committee asked the Inspector to re-examine the Applicant in its presence at the hearing.

[5] The Applicant answered all questions to a satisfactory standard having clearly undertaken further study in preparation for her appearance.

[6] Ms Patel applied for her Manager's Certificate to be used in relation to her work at the St Martins New World Supermarket.

[7] The Committee are mindful of the fact that the granting of a Manager's Certificate enables an applicant to take work in any Licensed Premises. The Committee was of the view that Ms Patel's answers to questions and her experience would not be sufficient if she were applying for the Certificate in relation to areas of Alcohol Licensing other than a supermarket.

[8] Ms Patel undertook that in the first year following the grant of a Manager's Certificate to her she would not undertake any work requiring that Certificate other than for the purposes of her employment in a Supermarket.

[9] Based on that undertaking given by the applicant the Committee finds that the applicant holds the required qualifications and experience, and is of a suitable character, to hold a Manager's Certificate. The application is granted for a period of 12 months.

DATED at CHRISTCHURCH this 2nd day of February 2022



Merelyn Redstone JP
Chairperson
Christchurch District Licensing Committee