# MILWAUKEE POLICE DEPARTMENT LICENSE INVESTIGATION UNIT

### CRIMINAL RECORD/ORDINANCE VIOLATION/INCIDENTS SYNOPSIS

DATE: 12/15/08

LICENSE TYPE: BTAVN

NEW:

RENEWAL:

No. 14465

Application Date: 03/24/08

**Expiration Date:** 

License Location: 333 E Hadley Street

**Business Name:** Groovin inn

Aldermanic District: 06

Licensee/Applicant: Peavy, Emantha

(Last Name, First Name, MI) Date of Birth: 05/11/37

Male:

Female:

Home Address: 5051 N 19th Street

City: Milwaukee

Home Phone: (414) 228-8722

State: Wi

Zip Code: 53209

This report is written by Police Officer Kristyn Kukowski, assigned to the License Investigation Unit, Days.

The Milwaukee Police Department's investigation regarding this application revealed the following:

1. On 06/01/08, at 2:21am, Milwaukee police were dispatched to St Joseph's Hospital for a Battery complaint. Police spoke with the victim who stated she was at the Groovin Inn on Hadley around 1:00 am when a large fight broke out. The victim stated it was during this fight that she was hill on the head with a bottle and as she attempted to leave the tavern, was hit again with another bottle. The victim stated she could feel blood running down her face and a friend took her to the hospital. The victim was treated for 2 lacerations to her head, which required staples to close. The victim was also treated for numerous other cuts to her body. Police also learned that the victim was under the age of 21. Officers conducted follow up the following day and spoke to Miguel Green who stated he did recall the incident. There had been a birthday party in the back room and saw women fighting on the dance floor. Green stated bottles were thrown but that he did not see who was throwing them and that the security guards began pushing everyone outside. Police questioned Green regarding an underage person that admitted she was inside the tavern Green stated the victim must have been lying. Green stated he has security guards at the front door who check identification and once they are in the tavern, the bartenders do not ask for ID because it should have done once they entered. Both the victim and Miguel Green were issued citations for Presence of Underage. A battery report was also filed.

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### As to Miguel Green:

Charge:

Presence of Underage

Finding:

Sentence:

Fined \$367.00 that was due on 09/29/08 currently a warrant

Date:

07/30/08

08074631 Case:

- 2. On 06/10/08 at 12:56 am, Milwaukee police were dispatched to 333 E Hadley for a Loud Music complaint. Officers arrived and did not hear any loud music and attempts to contact the caller were met with negative results. At 1:28 am, police again were dispatched to 333 E Hadley for loud music and unruly patrons. Police again did not hear any loud music but were able to make contact with the caller. The complainant did want a citation issued for loud music. Police then spoke with Miguel Green who stated he was the manager. Officers advised Green that the licensee, Emantha Peavy would be receiving a citation regarding the complaint of loud music. Green also told officers that he was in the process of purchasing the tavern from the current owner and hope to have the deal complete by the end of the month. The ticket for noise nuisance was not found in the municipal system and a check with the city attorneys office found they were unable to locate the citation.
- 3. On 06/20/08 at12:00 pm, Milwaukee Police Captain Anthony Smith had the property at 333 E Hadley written up as a nuisance property per MCO 80-10. This property will be monitored for the next two years.
- 4. On 07/04/08 at 9:48 am, Milwaukee police were dispatched to 333 E Hadley Street for a Subject Locked Into A Business. Officers observed a female inside banging on a door trying to get out. There was a steel cage that had a padlock over the locked door. The owner of the business, Emantha Peavey was called and was able to unlock the door. Police identified the woman inside who stated she was in tavern the night before with her uncle around 1:00 am and the next thing she remembers is waking up at 4:00 am in the back kitchen. The woman stated she tried to get out of the tavern through the front door but was unable to do so and that's when she called 911. Peavy stated she was not working last night and that her bartender Miquel Green was the one that closed the tavern last night. Officers spoke to Green who stated that at 1:30 am, everyone was moved out of the back room and at 2:00 am. Green believed that everyone was cleared out of the tavern. Green further stated that everyone was out of the bar at 2:30 am when he locked up the business for the night. A search of the business found no forced entry.
- 5. On 07/12/08 at 2:09 am, Milwaukee police were dispatched to E Hadley and Buffum for a Trouble With Subject complaint. Police were advised to check for racing cars in the area and for possible underage patrons at the Groovin Inn. Investigation found a congestion of autos and people in the streets that were observed leaving the vicinity of the Groovin Inn. Police arrived at the bar closing and were unable to determine if any patrons were underage. Police cleared the area of vehicular traffic and cleared from the area.

- 6. On 08/02/08 at 11:44 pm, Milwaukee police were dispatched to 333 E Hadley for complaints of Loud Music and strippers at the Groovin Inn. Investigation found patrons milling around outside the location of 333 E Hadley and police could hear music emanating out of a propped open back door. Police spoke to Miguel Green who was advised of the complaints. Officers did not observe any strippers inside of the tavern. Green was advised to keep the music down along with the back door closed and to keep the patrons inside the tavern.
- 7. On 08/05/08 at 3:31 am, Milwaukee police were dispatched to Chambers and Pierce for an Injured/Sick complaint. Police were met there by Meda-Care # 207 who stated they had a female who was complaining of stomach pain and who had been at the Groovin Inn. Police identified the wioman as Monica Ledbetter who stated she was a bartender for the Groovin Inn and was at the bar but was not working that night. Ledbetter stated she ordered a Red Bull and consumed about half off it when she put it down and briefly left. Upon her returning she finished her drink and later became sick. Ledbetter stated she believed someone tampered with her drink. Ledbetter was taken by ambulance to a nearby hospital and was treated for dehydration and her blood alcohol level was .134. Police found the victim to be underage and Lebetter stated that the manager Miguel knew she was in the tavern. Attempts to contact Emantha Peavy were unsuccessful. A citation was issued to Ematha Peavy for Presence of Underage. A citation was also issued to Ledbetter for Possession of Alcohol By Underage and she was found guilty and paid a \$175.00 fine. A check with the municipal website and the city attorneys office for the citation that was issued to Peavy was done and the citation could not be located.
- 8. On 08/16/08 at 2:15 am, Milwaukee police were patrolling in an unmarked squad when they observed over 70 people dancing on the sidewalks, people loitering and heavy traffic in the 2700 N block of N Buffum Street. Loud music was heard coming from autos and several subjects were observed leaving the Groovin Inn with plastic cups. An investigation revealed that patrons were refusing to give their drinks to security personnel as they exited the club. It was not until police were observed that the patrons decided to discard their alcoholic beverages. Police spoke to Miguel Green regarding the observations and warned he would be cited if this activity continued.
- 9. On 08/17/08 at 1:25 am, Milwaukee police were dispatched to 333 E Hadley for a Noise complaint. Police spoke to the caller who stated there is an ongoing problem with the Groovin Inn regarding patrons yelling every night. A tavern check was conducted and the tavern was found to be over capacity. The licensee, Emantha Peavy was issued two citations for Noise Nuisance and Posting Occupancy Capacity Required.

Charge:

Posting Of Occupancy Capacity Required

Noise Nuisance

Finding:

Court date of 01/09/09 1:30 pm

Sentence:

Date:

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Case: 08121473

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- 10. On 08/25/08 at 1:07 am, Milwaukee police observed two subjects loitering in front of the Groovin Inn and observed what was to be a hand-to-hand drug transaction. Police observed a sign posted No Loitering affixed to the north side of the tavern and had received several complaints of drug dealing near and inside the Groovin Inn tavern. Police conducted field interviews and investigation revealed one subject was in possession of marijuana and purple tablets, all packaged for street sales. Officers recovered \$2,120 from the suspect and the drugs were tested and found positive for THC. The pills tested positive for MDMA (Ecstasy). During the investigation, it was found that the security guard for Groovin Inn was standing on the front steps to the tavern during the drug transaction. The area was well illuminated by streetlights. On 08/26/08 at 1:04 am, Milwaukee police made contact with Terry Williams who stated he was currently the manager since that owner died and that he would speak with his security personnel regarding the incident that occurred in front of the bar.
- 11. On 09/17/08, Milwaukee police were dispatched to 333 E Hadley for a possible Subject With Gun complaint which was suppose to be inside of a silver four door Lincoln. As officers approached 333 E Hadley Street, they observed five subjects standing in front of the Groovin Inn and could smell a strong odor of Marijuana in the air. Officers observed two clear plastic baggies containing a green leafy like substance on the ground by a dumpster. This dumpster was found to belong to the tavern. The silver car in question was found to contain a silver pellet gun with an unfired 9 mm bullet taped to it. Also found were baggies of marijuana which all tested positive for THC.
- 12. On 09/29/08 at 1:49 am, Police were on scene at 220 E Hadley regarding an assignment when officers observed a large group of people who were being loud and boisterous at the corner of Buffum and Hadley. It appeared that the people involved were patrons of the Groovin Inn. Officers called for additional squads to help maintain order as the patrons were leaving the tavern. Police then made contact with Terry Williams who was informed of the behavior of his patrons as they left the tavern and Williams stated he has no control of what people do outside of the tavern.
- 13. On 10/19/08 at 2:10 am, Milwaukee police investigated a stabbing complaint at 333 E Hadley. Investigation found two patrons who had a verbal argument inside the tavern. As they left the bar at closing time, these patrons became engaged in a physical fight with one subject being stabbed. Family members took the victim to the hospital where she was treated for stab wounds to the head, back and hand. An arrest was made regarding the stabbing.
- 14. On 10/31/08 at 1:41 am, Milwaukee police were dispatched to 333 E Hadley for a Shots Fired complaint. Police spoke to Miguel Green who stated there were no shots fired at or inside the tavern. Attempts to contact the caller were met with negative results. Police also interviewed the bartender Darnel Ford who stated there was a fight inside the tavern prior to police arrival and that security removed some patrons but that she didn't hear any gunshots.

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- 15. On 11/01/08 at 1:52 am, Milwaukee police were dispatched to 333 E Hadley for a Shots Fired complaint. Officers spoke with several patrons inside and outside the bar who stated they did not hear any shots fired. Officers checked the tavern and found no apparent signs of any shots being fired. Police spoke with Miguel Green who stated one of his security guards heard a shot fired while he was standing by the front door of the tavern and retreated back inside. Officers spoke to the guard identified as Darylon Oliver and Oliver stated he did hear a shot but did not know where the shot came from. Oliver did state he turned away a patron earlier in the night because he was intoxicated and argued with Oliver but that the subject left without further incident. Officers spoke to the caller of the complaint who stated he observed a male in front of his home firing a gun and then enter a silver or blue auto and flee the scene. Officers checked the area and did not locate any casings.
- 16. On 11/07/08 at 11:49 pm, Milwaukee police conducted a tavern check at 333 E Hadley. One patron, who was found to be underage, was arrested for POCS WITD-Marijuana. He was found to have 30 individual bags of Marijuana totaling 18.6 grams. Police also found six additional underage patrons who were cited for same. Miguel Green, the taverns manager, was given a citation for Presence of Underage as well as the licensee, Emantha Peavy.

### As to Emantha Peavy:

Charge:

Presence of Underage

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Court date 12/29/08

Sentence:

Date:

Case:

#### As to Miguel Green:

Charge:

Presence of Underage

Finding:

Court date 12/29/08

Sentence:

Date:

Case:

- 17. On 11/14/08 at 4:00 pm, Milwaukee police conducted a license premise check at 333 E Hadley. Police spoke to both Emantha Peavy and bartender Miguel Green in regards to the operation of Groovin Inn. Peavy stated she allowed Green to run the day-to-day operations of the premise. Peavy further stated that Green orders the liquor for the business, does the hiring and manages the tavern in her absence. Peavy stated she had been at the tavern six times since June 2008. Green stated to police that he does not have a managers' license but does possess a Class D bartender's license. He further stated he is trying to purchase the bar from Peavy. Peavy was issued a citation for Licensee Responsibility and Green was issued a citation for Class B Manager's License Required. Both citations have a court date of 01/05/09.
- 18. On 11/29/08 at 1:00 am, Milwaukee police conducted a license premise check at 333 E Hadley. As officers entered the tavern, they observed a clear plastic cigarette wrapper with several individual wrapped corner cuts that contained an off white chunky substance. The suspected cocaine was recovered and later tested positive. Officers were unable to determine ownership and the cocaine was placed on inventory.

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- 19. On 12/13/08 at 12:31 am, Milwaukee police were dispatched to 333 E Hadley Street for a Man With Gun complaint. Police spoke to Miguel Green who was bartending and Green stated that no one from the tavern called police regarding a subject with gun. Also interviewed were security guards, Fred A Talley and Draylon S Oliver who both stated that no one was seen with a gun nor did anyone call police regarding anyone having a gun. While on scene, officers contacted the caller who stated he was near the door when he heard one of the security guards at the Groovin Inn yell that someone had a gun. The caller further stated that the guard locked the front door and then ran to the back and locked the back door. The caller then ran into the bathroom to hide because he was afraid of how the bar would handle the situation with the subject with the gun. The caller further stated that he was still in the bar but did not wish to give out his information other than what police already had. On 12/15/08, officers left a message for the caller to contact police regarding this incident.
- 20. On 12/13/08 at 2:05 am, Milwaukee police were dispatched to Columbia St. Mary's Hospital for a Battery/Cutting complaint. Police spoke to the victim who stated he was in the Groovin Inn Bar and while inside the tavern, he got into an argument with an unknown male because they bumped into each other. The victim stated that he and the male worked out their argument and had no other problems however another argument started with other patrons over the incident. A fight began that involved 6-10 people that included him. The victim stated he was being punched and the next thing he felt was pain to his back and that he saw the suspect who punched him was holding a knife. The victim stated he and his friends ran out of the bar and went back to his house where he realized he was stabbed. The victim was taken to the hospital by friends and was treated for three lacerations that required 9 stitches to close. On 12/15/08 at 5:40 am, officers spoke to the owner of tavern, Emantha Peavy, and advised her of the incident and that she would be receiving a citation for Disorderly Premises Prohibited-Fighting. It should be noted that no employees from the tavern called police regarding this incident.