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STATE OF NEW YORK

LIQUOR AUTHORITY

TO: ZONE OFFICES AND LOCAL BOARDS

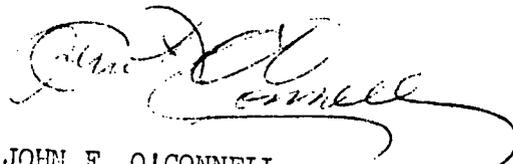
SUBJECT: CITIZENSHIP REQUIREMENTS OF CORPORATE APPLICANTS

The Alcoholic Beverage Control Law has been amended to provide that where a corporation otherwise qualifies for a license, such corporation may be licensed if each of its principal officers and more than half of its directors are citizens of the United States. In view of the Attorney General's ruling regarding citizens of nations with which the United States has treaties of freedom and equality granting reciprocal rights, the aforesaid amendment permits the licensing of a corporation if each of the principal officers and more than half of its directors are either citizens of the United States or of any of the nations listed in Divisional Order No. 262 (Amended) issued under date of November 23, 1949.

Accordingly, any corporation that meets the above requirements is eligible for a license and the ownership of the stock of the said corporation by non-citizens shall not of itself constitute a bar to approval of the application.

It should be noted that the foregoing does not apply to individual or partnership applicants. A license or permit shall not be issued to them unless the individual or each member of the partnership is a citizen of the United States, or a citizen of a country with which the United States has a treaty of freedom and equality granting reciprocal rights.

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