

Hello,

My name is Denise Selbee-Koch and I am a co-owner of a Kansas based small business. Our business is Dirty Girl Adventures, LLC and we opened January 2014. Our specialty is guided outdoor adventure that is accessible to all ages, stages and fitness levels. We focus on empowering women to get outside but we welcome everyone to our events. In February 2019, we realized our dream of expanding into a retail location when we purchased property in NOTO, the Arts and Entertainment District here in Topeka. Our venue is Compass Point home of Dirty Girl Adventures. Our goal is to create a comfortable and welcoming venue that offers a wide variety of services and opportunities for our customers. We sell retail outdoor goods, health and wellness items and Kansas themed goods and teach classes related to outdoor adventure and whole health and wellness. Compass Point is also an event venue where we host live music events.

When we applied for our Kansas liquor license, we learned that we aren't eligible to receive a Kansas liquor license. This is because my husband, who is not a partner in our business, works as the Chief of Police in Valley Falls, Kansas.

We believe that offering more choices to our customers is important and while we do have a Cereal Malt Beverage license, we would like to offer more options to our customers by having a liquor license.

My husband has no legal jurisdiction over Topeka or Shawnee County. In order to build a thriving business, we believe that we need to be diversified and that we need to offer a wide range of options to our customers. We believe that if the law enforcement employee listed on the liquor license application has no jurisdiction over the physical location of the applying business that the business should be eligible to receive a liquor license when meeting all other criterion of the application.

Thank you,

Denise Selbee-Koch, Co-Owner Dirty Girl Adventures, LLC  
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