Settlement Agreement between the Maine Department of Labor and JG Hospitality LLC d/b/a The Inn at Rostay. Inspection #489337

This Agreement is entered into by and between the Maine Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Standards and JG Hospitality LLC d/b/a The Inn at Rostay (hereinafter called "Employer") to address and resolve violations of Title 26 §621-A identified during Inspection #489337.

I. RECITALS

JG Hospitality LLC d/b/a The Inn at Rostay is a corporation in good standing authorized to do business in Maine. Joshua Gangi is the owner, and he is authorized to bind the corporation and enter into this Settlement Agreement.

II. Acknowledgement and Admission of violations

EMPLOYER agrees to the terms of this Settlement Agreement but does not admit any wrongdoing or liability as to the violations of Title 26 §621-A as identified in the citation letter dated October 30, 2024, attached to this agreement.

III. TERMS of SETTLEMENT

A. Compliance Monitoring

For two (2) years following the execution of this Agreement by the Director, the employer shall provide The Maine Department of Labor, hereinafter called "Agency", access to EMPLOYER'S place(s) of business, records necessary to establish compliance with state and federal wage & hour laws and this Agreement and contact information for employees upon request. EMPLOYER shall submit records to AGENCY within five (5) calendar days of a request for records under this Paragraph.

B. Employer training (given by agency)

Within sixty (60) days of the Director's execution of this Agreement, EMPLOYER shall contact the AGENCY'S Chief Labor & Safety Inspector, Bartlett Hutchinson, at 207-623-7951 to schedule training.

Within six (6) months of the Director's execution of this Agreement, all of EMPLOYER'S management staff shall attend training hosted by the AGENCY. For purposes of this agreement, management includes each individual who supervises or will supervise any of EMPLOYER'S employees. EMPLOYER shall count training as hours worked for anyone in management that may attend.

C. Notices to be posted

EMPLOYER shall post and will keep posted in a place accessible to the employer's employees the most current versions of each of the following required labor posters:

Child Labor

- Minimum Wage
- Regulation of Employment
- Whistle Blower's Protection Act
- Sexual Harassment
- Video Display Terminals (if applicable)
- Human Trafficking

These posters can be downloaded for free at https://www.maine.gov/labor/posters/index.shtml

D. COMPROMISE OF PENALTIES

EMPLOYER agrees to comply with all of Maine's labor laws and specifically agrees to make any necessary procedural changes in order to ensure compliance. The citation letter dated October 30, 2024, identified violations resulting in total penalties in the amount of \$426.88. EMPLOYER agrees to pay \$285.00 in penalties and to make payment of the liquidated damages and interest identified in the citation letter no later than 14 calendar days after the signing of this agreement. EMPLOYER agrees to provide proof of payment of the liquidated damages to AGENCY no later than 7 calendar days after payment. In consideration of these payments and that EMPLOYER has never previously been cited by AGENCY, AGENCY agrees to suspend the remaining balance of \$141.88 if EMPLOYER complies with the terms of this Agreement and has no additional violations of Title 26 §621-A for two years from the date of the Agreement.

EMPLOYER acknowledges and understands that by signing this Settlement Agreement, in consideration of the reduction in penalties, EMPLOYER withdraws, with prejudice, his pending administrative appeal of the citation. EMPLOYER acknowledges that this Settlement Agreement constitutes final bureau action and waives any right to appeal this action, including an 80C appeal. EMPLOYER acknowledges and understands that this Settlement Agreement is a public document.

In the event of any breach of this Settlement Agreement, AGENCY may enforce the entire amount of the penalties suspended above, along with penalties for any additional violations subsequent to the date of this Agreement in State of Maine Superior Court. In the event of such action, EMPLOYER retains the right to dispute whether this Settlement Agreement has been breached but waives any right to contest the underlying violations and resulting penalties.

IV. Technical assistance

Offer of technical assistance

AGENCY invites EMPLOYER to contact Chief Labor & Safety Inspector, Bartlett Hutchinson, at 207-623-7951 for confidential technical assistance.

Signature(s) on following page

John Rioux

Deputy Director, Bureau of Labor Standards

Maine Department of Labor

Date: 2/7/2025

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Joshua Gangi, Owner and Authorized Representative for JG Hospitality LLC

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Date: 2/06/2025

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