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Independent Beverage Licensees Recognized As “Brown-Forman Retailers of the Year”

Seventeen independent beverage licensees from states across the country have been recognized as Brown-Forman Retailers of the Year. Nominated by their state licensed beverage associations for commitment to their state associations, dedication to the beverage alcohol industry and their success in business, these licensees were honored in a ceremony at the ABL Annual Meeting.

For more than two decades, the Brown-Forman Retailer of the Year awards have celebrated retail beverage licensees who engage in the responsible sale and service of beverage alcohol, are committed to their state beverage associations, and demonstrated excellence in innovative retailing. ABL congratulates all of the honored businesses and licensees for their outstanding and continued contributions to their state associations, the industry and their communities.

“America’s independent beer, wine and spirits retailers support a dynamic and exciting industry, while striving to both encourage and promote the responsible enjoyment of beverage alcohol by adult consumers,” said ABL Executive Director John Bodnovich. “These retailers have gone above-and-beyond the call of duty in their businesses, their state beverage associations, and their communities with their commitment to outstanding beverage alcohol sales and service.”

CONGRATULATIONS TO THE FOLLOWING 2019 ABL RETAILERS OF THE YEAR:

Michael Ball | Silver Run Liquors | Westminster, MD:

Michael Ball is the owner of Silver Run Liquors in northern Carroll County, MD. Ball has been in business with multiple locations for over 25 years. He is an active member of the Maryland State Licensed Beverage Association (MSLBA) and serves as a member of their Board representing Carroll County. He also is a long-time supporter of local charities (High Schools, Fire Departments and youth sports) in the community his business is part of.



Gary Rogow | ABC Liquors | California, MD:

Gary Rogow is the owner of ABC Liquors in Lexington Park, MD. Rogow serves as Secretary for the Saint Mary’s County Licensed Beverage Association and is on the MSLBA Board of Directors and Legislative Committee. In his local community, Rogow supports Hospice, Community Alcohol Coalition, Ambulance, Fire Company and Police organizations.

