

Calling for a Proactive Approach to Seasonal Bar Crawls by the SLA

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On February 24, I wrote to New York State Liquor Authority (SLA) Chair Dennis Rosen to request the SLA take a proactive approach to websites and establishments that promote bar crawls that may run afoul of the Alcohol Beverage Control (ABC) laws, particularly as we approach St. Patrick's Day. Seasonal bar crawls, for events such as SantaCon, St. Patrick's Day and Cinco de Mayo, send many intoxicated individuals into the streets and disrupt the communities that I represent. I urge the SLA to reach out to these websites, as well as the participating locations, to remind them of their obligations, and to ensure that any promotions comply with the law. Please see my letter below.