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## Government of the District of Columbia

Department of Motor Vehicles Adjudication Services P.O. Box 91980 Washington, D.C. 20090



## **HEARING RECORD**

No. SH27

RESPONDENT'S NAME: EMILY JOAN MILLER

VEHICLE ST PLATE:

PERMIT:

**DATE OF HEARING:** 06/22/2007

**TIME: 10:56AM** 

ROOM: 1141

NOTICE OF INFRACTION	INFRACTION	PLEA	IO	DISPO	FINE	PENALTY	DUE	VIOLATION
572203424	DISTRACTED DRIVING	3	X	21	100.00	0.00	0.00	T590
		*				Total Due:	\$0.00	

STATEMENT OF FACT: Respondent denies the citation.

Officer states that on 3-18-07 at 9:55am he observed the Respondent westbound on O Street and made a left turn to go northbound on Wisconsin Ave. Officer states that the Respondent had a cup in her right hand and was steering the vehicle with her left hand. Officer indicates that the Respondent was not demonstrating any type of bad driving behavior just that she had the cup in her right hand.

FINDINGS OF FACT: T590 District of Columbia law provides that no person shall operate a motor vehicle while distracted by reading, writing, performing personal grooming, interacting with pets or unsecured cargo, using personal communications technologies, or engaging in any other activity which causes distractions or inattentive driving. (D.C. Code Section 50-2152).

For a violation of the distracted driver regulation, the behavior has to impact the driving. Simply holding a cup does not constitute distracted driving.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW: Dismissed - no prima facie case

If found liable, payment is due immediately. You may appeal this decision to the Traffic Adjudication Appeals Board if you do so within 15 days of the date of this hearing. You are entitled to a refund of the amount you paid for the ticket(s) and other fees if the board reverses the hearing examiner's decision.

James B. Warly Signature: P. WASHINGTON