

# Modern-day Bootlegging: Stopping the Flow of Untaxed Liquor

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# Bootlegging (n)

- Alcoholic liquor unlawfully made, sold or transported, without registration or payment of taxes



# Overview of Discussion

- Background
- Structure of Illinois Liquor Control Commission
- Illegal Importation of Liquor
- Reimagining Liquor Enforcement
- The Road Ahead



# Background

- Donovan Borvan
  - Founder and Principal, Borvan Group LLC
  - Former Executive Director, Illinois Liquor Control Commission
  - Former Bar Owner



# Structure of ILCC

- Illinois Liquor Control Commissioners
- Executive Director
- Licensing Division
- Enforcement Division
- Industry Education Division



# Enforcement Division

- 30,000 Liquor Licenses in the State of Illinois
- ~25 Field Agents
- LC-13 Program
- Partnership with Federal and State Agencies



# Illegal Importation of Liquor

- Cross-Border Importation
- Internet Sales
- Illegal Manufacture



# Cross-Border Importation

- State Tax Structure
- Out of State Retailers as Wholesalers
- Partnership with Federal, State and Local Law Enforcement Agencies
- Pressure Points





# Internet Sales

- *Granholm v. Michigan* and other relevant cases
- Winery Shippers License
- Illegal Shipments Continue



# Reimagining Liquor Enforcement

- Professionalize Agent Force
- More Investigations, Less Inspections
- LC-13 Program
- Illegal Importation Specialist/Common Carrier
- Partnership with Federal Agencies



# The Road Ahead

- Retail Shipments
- Partnership/Licensing of Common Carriers
- Commerce Clause – *Granholm II*?

