

## MEDIA CONTACT

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## WSWA ISSUES STATEMENT IN RESPONSE TO UNIFORM LAW COMISSION ADOPTING DIRECT-TO-CONSUMER ALCOHOL SHIPPING PROPOSAL

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**WASHINGTON, D.C., 07/15/2022** – Wine & Spirits Wholesalers of America (WSWA) today issued the below statement regarding the Uniform Law Commission's (ULC) decision to adopt a direct-to-consumer (DTC) alcohol shipping proposal:

"Wine & Spirits Wholesalers of America (WSWA) opposes the direct-to-consumer (DTC) shipping of alcohol and were disappointed that the Uniform Law Commission (ULC) took up this issue. But we appreciate the efforts the ULC has taken to provide state lawmakers with model legislation to promote a compliant and fair marketplace for those states that choose to allow certain types of shipping.

Many public health and safety problems exist in an interstate DTC marketplace as those shipments are essentially hidden from regulatory management. While not the most effective solution, tools such as common carrier reporting and fulfillment provider reporting help provide some transparency for regulators seeking to enforce their laws and keep citizens safe.

The best solution is local, licensed delivery that provides unparallel consumer convenience and state oversight, as well as promotes strong communities."

## **About Wine & Spirits Wholesalers of America**

WSWA is the national trade association representing the distribution tier of the wine and spirits industry, dedicated to advancing the interests and independence of distributors and brokers of wine and spirits. Founded in 1943, WSWA has more than 380 member companies in 50 states and the District of Columbia, and its members distribute more than 80 percent of all wine and spirits sold at wholesale in the United States.

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