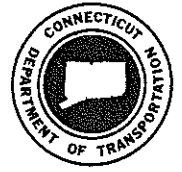




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DOCKET NUMBER 0608-C-33-L

RE: IN THE MATTER OF THE CITATION OF OPTIMA  
LIMOUSINE SERVICE, INC. D.B.A. OPTIMA LIMOUSINE  
SERVICE.

Final Decision

February 26, 2007

## I. INTRODUCTION

### A. General

By citation dated January 31, 2007, by the Department of Transportation (hereinafter "department"), pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes Section 13b-103, as amended, Optima Limousine Service, Inc. d.b.a. Optima Limousine Service (hereinafter "respondent"), holder of Livery Permit Number 2555, was ordered to come before the department to answer the allegations made therein.

Pursuant to said citation, the respondent was directed to appear at the Newington office of the Department of Transportation to show cause why Livery Permit Number 2555, issued for the operation of livery service, should not be suspended or revoked or a civil penalty imposed for violation of its permit issued pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes Section 13b-102, et seq.

More specifically, it is alleged that on or about December 10, 2002, the respondent violated Connecticut General Statutes Sections 13b-103 by failing to maintain a motor vehicle in livery service for which authority was requested and issued, in violation of Connecticut General Statutes Sections 13b-102, 13b-103 and 13b-106.

The citation was served upon the respondent by first class and certified mail and recited the department's reasons for issuing it.

### B. Hearing Held

Pursuant to Section 13b-103 of the Connecticut General Statutes, as amended, the public hearing for this citation was held on February 21, 2007.

Notice of the citation and the hearing to be held thereon was given to the respondent and to such other parties as required by Connecticut General Statutes Section 13b-103, as amended.

The hearing on this matter was conducted by a hearing officer designated by the Commissioner of Transportation, pursuant to Section 13b-17 of the Connecticut General Statutes.

### C. Appearances

The respondent failed to make an appearance in this matter. The respondent's mailing address is P.O. Box 1350, South Norwalk, Connecticut 06856.

Eugene Morris, Transportation Public Transit Inspector with the Regulatory and Compliance Unit, presented evidence on behalf of the Department.

## II. FINDINGS OF FACT

1. The respondent is the holder of Livery Permit Number 2555 in the name of Optima Limousine Service, Inc. d.b.a. Optima Limousine Service and is authorized to operate motor vehicles in interstate and intrastate livery service from a headquarters in Norwalk.
2. The respondent has not had any livery vehicles registered since December 10, 2002.
3. The respondent failed to appear in this matter.

III. DEPARTMENT ANALYSIS AND CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

The Department of Transportation has jurisdiction over matters pertaining to the operation of motor vehicles in livery service in the State of Connecticut accordance with Connecticut General Statutes Section 13b-102, as amended.

Pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes Section 13b-103, the department may amend or for sufficient cause suspend or revoke any such permit. Further, the department may impose a civil penalty on any person who violates any provision of the governing chapter or any regulation adopted under Section 13b-102 through 13b-109, as amended, with respect to fares, service, operation or equipment, in an amount not to exceed one thousand dollars per day for each violation.

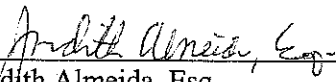
The evidence shows that the respondent is no longer in operation and has not had a vehicle registered since it cancelled its plates on December 10, 2002. Since the respondent had failed to appear to explain its actions in this matter, the department has no choice but to revoke the respondent's permit.

IV. ORDER

Based on the above, respondent's livery Permit Number 2555, standing in the name of Optima Limousine Service, Inc. d.b.a. Optima Limousine Service is hereby revoked within fifteen (15) days from the date of this final decision, without further proceeding. This final decision constitutes notice in accordance with Connecticut General Statutes Section 4-182(c).

Dated at Newington, Connecticut on this the 26th day of February 2007.

CONNECTICUT DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

  
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