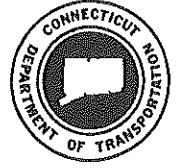




STATE OF CONNECTICUT  
DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION



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DOCKET NO. 1605-N-59-HHG

RE: APPLICATION OF MATHEW LEE WALKER DBA  
2BROSANDATRUCK TO OPERATE MOTOR VEHICLES IN THE  
TRANSPORTATION OF HOUSEHOLD GOODS FOR HIRE, AS A  
HOUSEHOLD GOODS CARRIER, OVER IRREGULAR ROUTES  
BETWEEN ALL POINTS IN CONNECTICUT UPON CALLS  
RECEIVED FROM A HEADQUARTERS IN EAST HAVEN.

FINAL DECISION

October 28, 2016

I. INTRODUCTION

A. Applicant's Proposal

By application filed on May 17, 2016, pursuant to Section 13b-389 of the Connecticut General Statutes, and assigned Docket No. 1605-N-59-HHG, Mathew Lee Walker dba 2BROSANDATRUCK (hereinafter "applicant"), with a mailing address of 229 Hemingway Avenue, East Haven, Connecticut 06512 seeks authorization from the Connecticut Department of Transportation (hereinafter "department") to operate motor vehicles in the transportation of household goods for hire, as a household goods carrier, over irregular routes between all points in Connecticut from a headquarters in East Haven.

B. Hearing Held

Pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes Section 13b-390, a hearing on this application was held at the administrative office of the Department, in Newington, Connecticut, on October 27, 2016.

Notice of the application and of the hearing to be held thereon was given to the applicant and to other parties as required by Connecticut General Statutes Section 13b-390. Notice to the public was given by publication on the department's website.

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

C. Appearances

Mathew Lee Walker appeared on behalf of the applicant. The applicant was represented by Attorney Michael Stone with a mailing address of 129 Church Street, Suite 806, New Haven, Connecticut 06510.

D. Permit Required

The applicant was incorrectly informed by a staff member of the department that he did not need a certificate to transport household goods to and from storage units. That is not the case. Connecticut General Statutes Section 13b-389 does in fact require a certificate from the Department of Transportation to perform this type of work.

E. Name Change

Since the application was filed, the applicant has changed its name with the Secretary of State and added an LLC. The applicant will now be known as 2BROSANDATRUCK, LLC.

## II. FINDING OF FACT

1. The applicant is seeking to operate a household moving service from a headquarters in East Haven.
2. The applicant has changed his name to 2BROSANDATRUCK, LLC.
3. Mathew Walker has been operating as household goods mover by transporting household goods to and from homes and storage units. He has also moved items within storage units.
4. The applicant has one year of moving experience with 2 Young Studs.
5. Jacquaha Tribble works as a General Manager for Cube Smart in Wilton. She has been exclusively recommending the applicant for transportation of household goods. Her customers have received good customer service from the applicant. Ms. Tribble's sister works for Cube Smart in Branford and also recommends the applicant.
6. The applicant is willing to perform smaller moves.
7. Roseann Iuvone is a realtor in New Haven for Seabury Hill. Almost all of her business is rentals and she will refer the applicant at least 40 times a year while her fellow agents will also refer the applicant.
8. Mr. Walker's mother, Donna Walker, is handling the financial aspects of the business.
9. The applicant started business in January of 2016 and is now operating at a profit.
10. The applicant will be operating a 17 foot box truck which has already been purchased.
11. The applicant's first six months of expenses include insurance of \$1,300, property tax of \$190, maintenance of \$600 and phone costs of \$1,200 for a total expense of \$3,290.
12. The applicant has \$26,277 in a Bank of America account.
13. The population in New Haven county is projected to grow from 859,470 in 2015 to 943,903 by 2020.
14. This application was not opposed.

## III. DEPARTMENT ANALYSIS AND CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

The Department of Transportation has jurisdiction over any person operating any motor vehicle in the transportation of household goods for hire as a household goods carrier pursuant to

Section 13b-389 of the Connecticut General Statutes. Further, no person shall operate as a household goods carrier, within Connecticut, without first obtaining a certificate of public convenience and necessity to so operate.

In determining whether such a certificate shall be granted, the Commissioner of Transportation shall take into consideration the existing motor transportation facilities and the effect upon them of granting such a certificate, the suitability of the applicant, the financial responsibility of the applicant, the ability of the applicant efficiently to perform the service for which the authority is requested, the criminal history of the applicant, the condition of and effect upon the highways involved and the safety of the public using such highways, pursuant to Section 13b-392 of the Connecticut General Statutes.

The first criterion to be taken into account is the effect on the existing motor carrier facilities by granting the certificate. This application was not opposed by any existing motor carrier so it appears that there would not be any effect on the existing motor carrier facilities if this application were granted.

As far as the applicant's financial ability is concerned, the applicant presented evidence that the first six months of start-up costs includes insurance of \$1,300, property tax of \$190, maintenance of \$600 and phone costs of \$1,200 for a total expense of \$3,290. The applicant has \$26,277 in a Bank of America account. Based on the evidence presented, the applicant has more than sufficient funds to cover the first six months of expenses.

The applicant submitted a criminal record check for Mathew Lee Walker which shows no criminal record. The applicant has one year of moving experience from working with another mover plus almost a year working on his own. Based on the evidence presented, the applicant is suitable to handle this proposed operation.

Also to be considered is the ability of the applicant to efficiently perform the service for which the authority is requested and the condition of and effect upon the highways involved and the safety of the public using such highways. The applicant is operating one box truck on the roads in Connecticut. Such a vehicle will not likely have any effect on the highways. In addition to that, the applicant has experience as a mover and has been operating his own company for almost a year so he will be able to efficiently perform the service. He also presented witness who will refer business to him so he will undoubtedly be successful in this venture.

Based upon the evidence presented, the applicant has proven all of the necessary elements to be granted a certificate to operate.

#### IV. ORDER

Based upon the above and pursuant to Section 13b-391 of the Connecticut General Statutes, the application of 2BROSANDATRUCK, LLC is hereby granted and Certificate Number

1787 is issued as follows:

**CERTIFICATE NUMBER 1787**  
**TO OPERATE MOTOR VEHICLES FOR THE TRANSPORTATION OF PROPERTY**  
**FOR HIRE AS A MOTOR COMMON CARRIER**

2BROSANDATRUCK, LLC is hereby permitted and authorized, subject to such regulations and conditions as the department may from time to time prescribe, to transport property for hire as a motor common carrier over irregular routes as follows:

**Household goods, within the State of Connecticut, between all points upon calls received at its headquarters in East Haven.**

The certificate holder must accept and transport property, as herein authorized in accordance with its tariff on file, for all persons who desire the service to the extent of the certificate holder's facilities at uniform rate for all similar service.

**CONDITIONS:**

**A motor vehicle must be registered under this certificate within sixty (60) days from the date of this decision.**

There shall be carried in each vehicle operated under this authority a copy of the certificate registration receipt by the department.

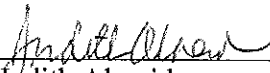
This certificate shall remain in effect until suspended, amended or revoked by the department. Failure of the certificate holder to maintain proper insurance or to comply with all motor vehicle laws and other pertinent State statutes and/or the rules, regulations and orders of the department shall be considered sufficient cause to revoke said certificate.

This certificate may not be sold or transferred until it has been operational for more than twenty-four (24) months.

This certificate is transferable only with the approval of the department and is issued subject to compliance by the holder thereof with all motor vehicle laws of the State of Connecticut, and with such rules regulations and orders as this department may from time to time prescribe.

Dated at Newington, Connecticut on this 28th day of October.

CONNECTICUT DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

  
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