



STATE OF CONNECTICUT
DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION



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DOCKET NUMBER 1902-C-26-HG

RE: IN THE MATTER OF THE CITATION OF
GRAEBEL/CONNECTICUT MOVERS, LLC

DECISION

MAY 8, 2019

I. INTRODUCTION

A. General

By citation dated February 27, 2019, by the Department of Transportation (hereinafter "department"), pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes Section 13b-414 and 13b-407 as amended, Graebel/Connecticut Movers, LLC ("respondent"), holder of Certificate Number 1590, 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 Certificate Number 1590, issued for the operation of a household goods motor carrier, should not be suspended or revoked or a civil penalty imposed for violation of its household certificate pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes Section 13b-414 and 13b-407.

More specifically, it is alleged that on January 1, 2019, the certificate holder failed to file an annual intrastate permit fee for each vehicle that such household goods motor carrier intended to operate under authority of the Connecticut Department of Transportation in violation Connecticut General Statutes 13b-410b and an intrastate certificate under 13b-410c. The respondent has also failed to file a list of vehicles under Regulations of Connecticut State Agencies Section 16-304-F24 and its insurance under section 16-304D1.

The citation was served upon the respondent at 33 Stiles Lane, North Haven, CT 06473 by certified mail and recited the department's reasons for issuing it.

B. Hearing Held

Pursuant to Section 13b-410 of the Connecticut General Statutes, as amended, the public hearing for this citation was held on May 7, 2019. 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-414 and 13b-407, 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 appear at the hearing. The respondent's mailing address is 33 Stiles Lane, North Haven, CT 06473.

Elhassan Aitelqadi, ACT Accounts Examiner from the Regulatory and Compliance Unit, presented the department's case in this matter.

Felipe Briseno, Staff Attorney 3 with the Regulatory & Compliance Unit also presented the department's case in this matter.

II. FINDINGS OF FACT

1. The respondent is the holder of Certificate 1590 standing in the name of Graebel/Connecticut Movers, LLC.

2. On September 26, 2018, the department sent a letter to the respondent asking the respondent to file a Household Goods Intrastate Movers Certificate Application and remit payment by December 28, 2018.

3. On December 11, 2019, the department emailed the respondent that the filing was coming due.

4. On February 6, 2019, the department sent both a letter and an email to the respondent again asking for certificate fees to be paid by February 22, 2019.

5. A Notice of Hearing was mailed to the respondent on February 27, 2019 for a citation hearing to be held on May 7, 2019. The hearing notice came back to the department marked Unable to Forward.

6. The respondent failed to appear at the citation hearing.

7. The respondent has failed to make payment 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 household goods service in the State of Connecticut accordance with Connecticut General Statutes Section 13b-414 and 13b-407, as amended.

Pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes Section 13b-410, 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-389 through 13b-415, as amended, with respect to fares, service, operation or equipment, in an amount not to exceed one hundred dollars per day for each violation.

The respondent was notified of the citation hearing and failed to appear. There has been no compliance by the respondent in this matter.


IV. ORDER

Based on the above, Certificate Number 1590, standing in the name Graebel/Connecticut Movers, LLC of is hereby revoked. The revocation shall become effective on May 28, 2019.

This decision constitutes notice in accordance with Connecticut General Statutes Section 4-182(c).

Dated at Newington, Connecticut on this the 8th day of May 2019.

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