

STATE OF CONNECTICUT

DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION



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DOCKET NO. 2203-N-33-L

RE: APPLICATION OF DWIGHT HALL DBA JUNIORS WAY
TRANSPORT TO OPERATE ONE (1) GENERAL LIVERY VEHICLE.
WITH A SEATING CAPACITY OF LESS THAN ELEVEN
PASSENGERS, FROM A HEADQUARTERS IN HAMDEN

DECISION

JUNE 20, 2022

I. INTRODUCTION

A. APPLICATION

By application filed on March 29, 2022, with the Department of Transportation (hereinafter "department"), pursuant to Section 13b-103 of the Connecticut General Statutes, as amended, Dwight Hall dba Juniors Way Transport (hereinafter "applicant") with a mailing address of 381 Shepard Avenue, Hamden, Connecticut 06514 seeks authorization to operate one (1) motor vehicle, having a seating capacity of less than eleven (11) passengers, in general livery service from a headquarters in Hamden.

B. HEARING

Pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes Section 13b-103, as amended, a public hearing by telephone was held on this application on June 15, 2022.

Notice of the application and of the hearing to be held thereon was given to the applicant and to such other parties as required pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes Section 13b-103, as amended. Legal notice to the public was given by publication on the department's website.

A hearing officer designated by the Commissioner pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes Section 13b-17 conducted the hearing on this matter.

C. APPEARANCES

Dwight Hall appeared pro se on behalf of the applicant. The applicant's mailing address is of 381 Shepard Avenue, Hamden, Connecticut 06514.

II. FINDINGS OF FACT

- 1. The applicant seeks to operate one (1) motor vehicle in general livery service from a headquarters in Hamden.
 - 2. The applicant has a degree in business and accounting.
 - 3. The applicant proposes to operate a 2021 Cadillac Escalade which is financed.
- 4. The applicant has worked in the hospitality industry and as a manager for Enterprise Car Rental.
 - 5. The applicant's first six months of expenses includes insurance costs of \$10,123,

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- 6. The applicant has \$56,244 in a business bank account.
- 7. The applicant has a livery endorsement to drive the vehicle but will be hiring someone to drive.
- 8. The applicant will be operating out of his home office. There are no known zoning issues operating a home office in this residence.
- 9. The applicant will get customers by using social media and net working with other livery companies.
 - 10. This application was not opposed.

III. DISCUSSION

The department has jurisdiction over each person, association, limited liability company or corporation owning or operating a motor vehicle in livery service, pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes Section 13b-102, as amended.

In determining whether a livery permit should be granted, the department shall take into consideration the present or future public convenience and necessity. The applicant must prove that the public's convenience and necessity will be improved by the proposed service. Additionally, the applicant must show the suitability of the applicant or the suitability of the management if the applicant is a limited liability company or corporation, the financial responsibility of the applicant, the ability of the applicant efficiently and properly to perform the service for which authority is requested and the fitness, willingness and ability of the applicant to conform to the provisions of the statutes and the requirements and regulations of the department thereunder, in accordance with Connecticut General Statutes Section 13b-103.

Regarding the applicant's suitability, the applicant submitted a criminal record check for the owner, Dwight Hall which disclosed no criminal record. Mr. Hall has a degree in business and accounting. Mr. Hall has worked in the hospitality industry and is suitable to be granted livery authorization.

As far as the applicant's financial ability is concerned, the applicant presented evidence that the first six months of expenses includes: insurance costs of \$10,123, maintenance costs of \$240 property tax of \$1,958, advertising costs of \$300, equipment \$120 and vehicle financing of \$12,318 for a total expense of \$25,059. The applicant has \$56,244 in a bank account which is sufficient to cover these startup expenses and is therefore financially suitable.

Docket No. 2203-N-33-L Dwight Hall dba Juniors Way Transport Page 3 of 6 On the issue of public convenience and necessity, the applicant has many contacts in the livery community with which he can get referrals. He also plans to network with various facilities that may need livery service. Based on the evidence presented, the applicant will receive authorization for intrastate livery service.

IV. ORDER

Based upon the above and pursuant to Connecticut General Statute Section 13b-103, as amended, the application in the name of Dwight Hall dba Juniors Way Transport is hereby granted, and Livery Permit Number 3747 is hereby issued as follows:

LIVERY PERMIT NUMBER 3747

Dwight Hall dba Juniors Way Transport is authorized to operate one (1) motor vehicle in general livery service, with a seating capacity of less than eleven passengers, from a headquarters in Hamden.

RESTRICTIONS:

The applicant must register and insure the one (1) general livery vehicle granted in this decision within ninety (90) days. Failure to do so may result in revocation of the general livery authority.

The authority granted under this permit may not be sold or transferred until it has been operational, i.e. a vehicle registered with livery plates thereunder for not less than twenty-four (24) months.

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

A memorandum of this permit, bearing the seal of the department, shall be

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Dated at Newington, Connecticut on the 20th day of June 2022.

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