

STATE OF CONNECTICUT

DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION



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DOCKET NO. 2302-N-13-L

RE: APPLICATION OF GOLDSON TRANSPORT LLC TO OPERATE ONE
(1) GENERAL LIVERY VEHICLE, WITH A SEATING CAPACITY OF
LESS THAN ELEVEN PASSENGERS, FROM A HEADQUARTERS IN
HAMDEN

DECISION

APRIL 25, 2023

I. INTRODUCTION

A. APPLICATION

By application filed on February 1, 2023, with the Department of Transportation (hereinafter "department"), pursuant to Section 13b-103 of the Connecticut General Statutes, as amended, Goldson Transport LLC (hereinafter "applicant") with a mailing address of 86 Still Hill Road, Hamden, Connecticut 06518 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 April 18, 2023.

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

Rohan Goldson appeared pro se on behalf of the applicant. The applicant's mailing address is 86 Still Hill Road, Hamden, Connecticut 06518.

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 will operate a 2013 Chrysler 300 sedan which is owned outright.
 - 3. The applicant has been a professional driver for the past twenty-five years.
- 4. The first six months of expenses includes equipment costs of \$600, insurance costs of \$3,407, property tax of \$127, maintenance of \$480, advertising of \$900 and communication costs of \$2,602.

- 5. The applicant has \$8,300 in a business bank account in the name of the company.
- 6. The applicant will specialize in medical transport.
- 7. The applicant will get customers by advertising of Craigslist, Facebook, Instagram and Google ads. He will also network with a relative who is operating in transportation.
 - 8. 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 Rohan Goldson which disclosed no criminal record. Mr. Goldson has been a professional driver for the past twenty-five years. Based on the evidence presented, the applicant is suitable to conduct the additional proposed intrastate livery business.

As far as the applicant's financial ability is concerned, the first six months of expenses includes equipment costs of \$600, insurance costs of \$3,407, property tax of \$127, maintenance of \$480, advertising of \$900 and communication costs of \$2,602 for a total of \$8,116. The applicant has \$8,300 in a business bank account to cover these startup expenses and is therefore financially suitable.

On the issue of public convenience and necessity, the applicant is going to network with a relative already operating a livery service and do extensive advertising. Based on the evidence presented, the applicant will receive authorization for one (1) motor vehicle.

IV. ORDER

Based upon the above and pursuant to Connecticut General Statute Section 13b-103, as amended, the application in the name of Goldson Transport LLC is hereby granted, and Livery Permit Number 3778 is hereby reissued as follows:

LIVERY PERMIT NUMBER 3778

Goldson Transport LLC 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) motor 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 conspicuously posted in each motor vehicle operated under this permit.

Dated at Newington, Connecticut on the 25th day of April 2023.

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