# (860) 594-2875

# DOCKET NO. 2310-N-137-L

RE: APPLICATION OF DANIEL DORME DBA DANOLIMO TO OPERATE ONE (1) GENERAL LIVERY VEHICLE, WITH A SEATING CAPACITY OF LESS THAN ELEVEN PASSENGERS, FROM A HEADQUARTERS IN NORWALK

**DECISION** 

DECEMBER 5, 2023

#### I. INTRODUCTION

### A. APPLICATION

By application filed on October 31, 2023, with the Department of Transportation (hereinafter "department"), pursuant to Section 13b-103 of the Connecticut General Statutes, as amended, Daniel Dorme dba Danolimo (hereinafter "applicant") with a mailing address of 38 Truman Street, Apt A, Norwalk, Connecticut 06854 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 Norwalk.

### B. HEARING

Pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes Section 13b-103, as amended, a public hearing by telephone was held on this application on November 28, 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

Daniel Dorme appeared pro se on behalf of the applicant. The applicant's mailing address is 38 Truman Street, Apt A, Norwalk, Connecticut 06854.

# II. FINDINGS OF FACT

- 1. The applicant seeks to operate one (1) motor vehicle in general livery service from a headquarters in Norwalk.
- 2. The applicant will operate a 2022 Chevy Suburban. The Chevy Suburban is financed.
- 3. The applicant has a livery endorsement and has been working as a professional driver in CT and NY for several years.
- 4. The first six months of expenses includes insurance costs of \$3,822, vehicle financing of \$8,532, property tax of \$533, maintenance costs of \$160, miscellaneous costs of \$1,000

Docket No. 2310-N-137-L Daniel Dorme dba Danolimo Page 2 of 6 and communication costs of \$480.

- 5. The applicant has \$19,788 in a bank account to pay the start-up expenses.
- 6. The applicant has been receiving requests for intrastate livery trips.
- 7. The applicant will be the sole driver of the livery vehicle.
- 8. The applicant plans to market the business through business cards and network with area businesses.
  - 9. The applicant has a customer base from past clients.
  - 10. Mr. Dorme has a clean criminal history.
  - 11. 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 Daniel Dorme which disclosed no criminal record. Mr. Dorme has been a professional livery driver for many years. Based on the evidence presented, the applicant is suitable to conduct the proposed intrastate livery business.

As far as the applicant's financial ability is concerned, the first six months of expenses includes insurance costs of \$3,822, vehicle financing of \$8,532, property tax of \$534, maintenance costs of \$160, miscellaneous expenses of \$1,000 and communication costs of \$480 for a total expense of \$14,528. The applicant has \$19,788 in a bank account to cover these startup expenses

Docket No. 2310-N-137-L Daniel Dorme dba Danolimo Page 3 of 6 and is therefore financially suitable.

On the issue of public convenience and necessity, the applicant has been in the livery business as a driver for many years. He has developed a client base and will now be able to perform his own intrastate trips. Based on the evidence presented, the applicant will receive authorization for one (1) general livery vehicle.

## IV. ORDER

Based upon the above and pursuant to Connecticut General Statute Section 13b-103, as amended, the application in the name of Daniel Dorme dba Danolimo is hereby granted, and Livery Permit Number 3808 is hereby issued as follows:

## **LIVERY PERMIT NUMBER 3808**

Daniel Dorme dba Danolimo 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 Norwalk.

## **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.

Dated at Newington, Connecticut on the 5th day of December 2023.

## CONNECTICUT DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Judith Almeida Staff Attorney III

Administrative Law Unit

Bureau of Finance and Administration