

WASHINGTON METROPOLITAN AREA TRANSIT COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, D. C.

ORDER NO. 2405

IN THE MATTER OF:

Served April 12, 1983

Application of WASHINGTON TOURS,)
INC., for a Certificate of Public)
Convenience and Necessity to)
Conduct Special Operations —)
Sightseeing)

Case No. AP-83-07

By application filed April 4, 1983, Washington Tours, Inc., a Maryland corporation, seeks a certificate of public convenience and necessity to engage in special operations, limited to round-trip sightseeing or pleasure tours, from points in those parts of Prince George's and Montgomery Counties, Md., located outside of the Capital Beltway (U. S. Highway 95 and 495), to Arlington National Cemetery, Arlington, Va., and points in the District of Columbia, and return.

Applicant owns a 1982 15-passenger van and a 1962 41-passenger bus. Presumably, both vehicles would be used for the proposed service. Applicant proposes three tours:

| <u>TOUR</u> | <u>ADULT FARE</u> | <u>CHILD */ FARE</u> |
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| A: All Day Deluxe | \$26.50 | \$13.25 |
| B: Washington All Day | 23.00 | 11.50 |
| C: Two-Day Deluxe Combination | 43.50 | 21.75 |

No further description of these tours is provided.

Washington Tours' balance sheet, dated March 18, 1983, shows \$64,800 in assets, bank loans of \$25,985 and capital stock of \$38,815.

*/ Applicable generally to persons between the ages of five and 12. Children under five years are charged the child's fare if they exclude a paying passenger; otherwise they are permitted to travel with a fare-paying adult at no charge.

Pursuant to Title II, Article XII, Section 4(b) of the Compact, this application must be scheduled for a public hearing to determine if the applicant is fit, willing and able properly to perform the proposed service and to abide by pertinent regulatory requirements, and to determine if the public convenience and necessity requires the proposed service. Washington Tours will be assessed an amount preliminarily estimated to cover the cost of the hearing and will be required to submit a statement of projected revenue and expenses.

THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED:

1. That Case No. AP-83-07 of Washington Tours, Inc., is hereby scheduled to commence Tuesday, May 10, 1983, at 9:30 a.m. in the Hearing Room of the Commission, Room 314, 1625 I Street, N. W., Washington, D. C. 20006.

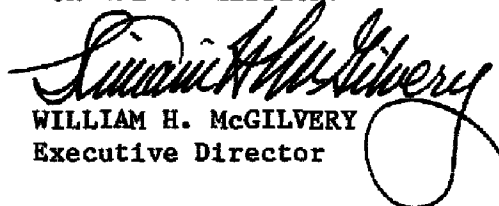
2. That applicant publish once in a newspaper of general circulation in the Metropolitan District notice of this application and hearing, in the form prescribed by the staff of the Commission, no later than Monday, April 18, 1983, and present at the hearing an affidavit of publication from the selected newspaper.

3. That any person desiring to protest the application shall file a protest in accordance with Commission Rule No. 14, or any person desiring to be heard on this matter shall so notify the Commission, in writing, no later than Monday, May 2, 1983, and shall simultaneously serve a copy of such protest or notice on counsel for applicant, Russell R. Sage, Esquire; Major, Sage & King, 6121 Lincolnia Road, #304, Alexandria, Va. 22312.

4. That applicant is hereby assessed \$350 pursuant to Title II, Article XII, Section 19 of the Compact, and is directed to deliver said amount to the office of the Commission, Suite 316, 1625 I Street, N. W., Washington, D. C. 20006 no later than Wednesday, May 4, 1983.

5. That applicant file with the Commission no later than May 4, 1983, four copies of a statement of projected revenues and revenue deductions anticipated from its first 12-month period of operations, simultaneously serve one copy of such statement on each party of record as of May 2, 1983, and produce the original thereof at the public hearing.

FOR THE COMMISSION:


WILLIAM H. MCGILVERY
Executive Director