

WASHINGTON METROPOLITAN AREA TRANSIT COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, DC

ORDER NO. 3848

IN THE MATTER OF:

Served November 21, 1991

Application of SCHROCK SIGHTSEEING)
SERVICE, INC., for a Certificate of)
Authority -- Irregular Route)
Operations)

Case No. AP-91-41

By application accepted for filing on November 13, 1991, Schrock Sightseeing Service, Inc. (Schrock or applicant), a Virginia corporation, seeks a Certificate of Authority to transport passengers, together with baggage in the same vehicles as passengers, in irregular route operations between points in the Metropolitan District. Schrock is an affiliate of Schrock, Inc., a bus company that holds operating authority from the Interstate Commerce Commission and certain state regulatory agencies, including Virginia.

Schrock proposes to initiate operations using two leased vehicles having a manufacturer-designed seating capacity in excess of 15 passengers each. Applicant's proposed tariff contains rates for hourly service, for transfer service, and for individually-ticketed sightseeing tours.

Schrock's application for a Certificate of Authority includes information regarding, among other things, its corporate status, facilities, vehicle maintenance arrangements, proposed tariff, finances, and regulatory compliance record. The application is available for inspection at the office of the Commission during its regular business hours.

In determining whether to grant or deny an application for a Certificate of Authority, the Compact at Title II, Article XI, Section 7 requires that the Commission determine whether an applicant is fit, willing, and able to perform that transportation properly and conform to the provisions of the Compact and the Commission's rules, regulations, and requirements and that the transportation is consistent with the public interest. Pursuant to Commission Rule No. 6, this order and fulfillment of its requirements will provide notice of Schrock's application for a Certificate of Authority.

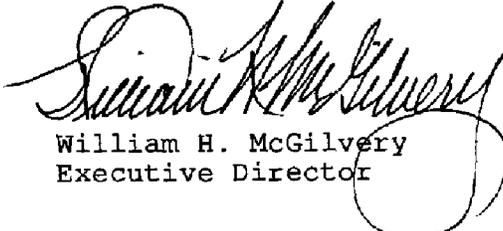
THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED:

1. That Schrock Sightseeing Service, Inc., shall publish once in a newspaper of general circulation in the Metropolitan District, notice in the form prescribed by the staff of the Commission, no later than Friday, November 29, 1991.
2. That Schrock Sightseeing Service, Inc., shall file with the Commission, no later than Wednesday, December 18, 1991, an original and four copies of an affidavit that notice has been published as required in the preceding paragraph.

3. That any person wanting to protest the issuance of a Certificate of Authority to Schrock Sightseeing Service, Inc., shall do so in accordance with Commission Rule No. 13 and Regulation No. 54-04(a), and any person wanting to comment on this matter, other than by protest, shall do so in writing, in accordance with Regulation No. 54-04(a), by filing such protest or comment at the office of the Commission, 1828 L Street, N.W., Suite 703, Washington, DC 20036-5104, no later than Wednesday, December 18, 1991, and shall simultaneously serve a copy of such protest or comment on applicant's representative, Jeffrey A. Vogelmann, Esquire, 124 South Royal Street, Alexandria, VA 22314.

4. That any person seeking a formal oral hearing on this matter shall request one in accordance with Commission Regulation No. 54-04(b) no later than Wednesday, December 18, 1991, and shall simultaneously serve a copy of such request on applicant's representative, Jeffrey A. Vogelmann, Esquire, 124 South Royal Street, Alexandria, VA 22314.

FOR THE COMMISSION:



William H. McGilvery
Executive Director