

WASHINGTON METROPOLITAN AREA TRANSIT COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, DC

ORDER NO. 7383

IN THE MATTER OF:

Served September 9, 2003

Application of MEKONNEN)
TRANSPORTATION, INC., for a)
Certificate of Authority --)
Irregular Route Operations)

Case No. AP-2003-87

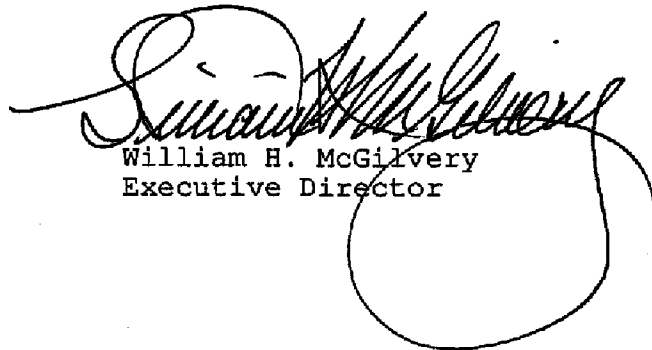
This matter is before the Commission on applicant's response to Order No. 7313, which directed applicant to file a statement explaining applicant's relationship with another carrier operating out of the same address, Negash Transportation, Inc., which has applied for a certificate of authority in Case No. AP-2003-86.

The application is signed by Makonane Tullu as applicant's president. The response is signed by Makonane Tullu, as well. The response, however, states that Eftetan Negash is applicant's "sole owner and president" and that Mr. Tullu is merely applicant's "operations manager." The clear import of the response is that Mr. Tullu is not an officer of applicant as originally represented.

Under Commission Rule No. 3-01, "a bona fide officer of a corporation . . . may represent the corporation." Under Rule No. 3-02, a corporation may otherwise be represented "only by an attorney." Accordingly, this application shall be dismissed as void.

THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED that the application of Mekonnen Transportation, Inc., is hereby dismissed without prejudice.

FOR THE COMMISSION:



William H. McGilvery
Executive Director