

WASHINGTON METROPOLITAN AREA TRANSIT COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, DC

ORDER NO. 7521

IN THE MATTER OF:

Served November 6, 2003

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

Case No. AP-2003-135

By application accepted for filing October 20, 2003, Dickens Transportation Services, Inc., a Maryland corporation, seeks a certificate of authority for irregular route operations in vehicles with a seating capacity of less than 16 persons only, including the driver. Applicant proposes commencing operations with one van at hourly rates.

Applicant's president, Roosevelt Dickens, recently filed an application on behalf of Faith Services Transportation, Inc. The application was denied for failure to establish regulatory compliance fitness.¹ The lack of fitness finding stemmed from material omissions in the application filed by Mr. Dickens and from Mr. Dickens's failure to fully cooperate with the Commission's investigation of Faith Services Transportation, Inc., Faith Transportation Services, Inc., and Faith Transportation, Inc., WMATC No. 377, all three of which have or had ties to Mr. Dickens.² Pursuant to Commission Regulation No. 54-04(c), applicant, through its president, will be directed to address certain issues raised by those proceedings. Additionally, applicant will be required to resolve certain ambiguities appearing in its proposed tariff and identify its shareholders, directors and officers.

This proceeding is hereby initiated to determine whether applicant is fit and whether the proposed transportation is consistent with the public interest.

THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED:

1. That applicant shall publish once in a newspaper of general circulation in the Metropolitan District, no later than November 20, 2003, notice in the form prescribed by the staff of the Commission.

2. That applicant shall file with the Commission, no later than December 11, 2003, an original and four copies of an affidavit that notice has been published as required in the preceding paragraph.

3. That applicant shall file with the Commission, no later than November 20, 2003, an original and four copies of a list of

¹ In re Faith Servs. Transp., Inc., t/a Faith Transp., No. AP-03-61, Order No. 7458 (Oct. 7, 2003).

² Id.

applicant's shareholders with the number of shares held by each, a list of applicant's directors, and a list of applicant's officers and their respective titles.

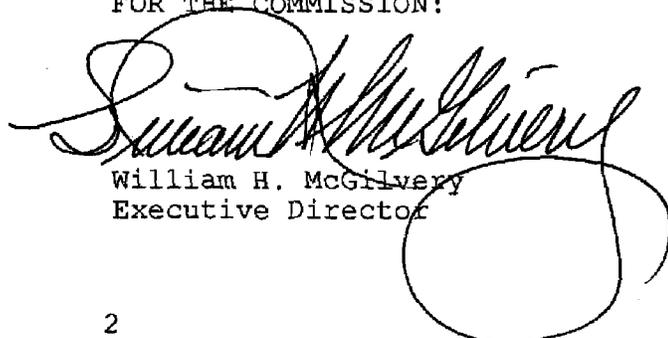
4. That applicant, through its president, Roosevelt Dickens, shall file with the Commission, no later than November 20, 2003, an original and four copies of a statement addressing the following issues:

- a. What is the current corporate and operational status of Faith Services Transportation, Inc.?
- b. What has become of the assets of Faith Services Transportation, Inc.?
- c. Is Faith Services Transportation, Inc., still leasing office space to Faith Transportation, Inc.?
- d. Is Faith Services Transportation, Inc., currently the subject of any federal or state administrative or judicial proceeding, such as an IRS attachment proceeding or bankruptcy proceeding?
- e. What is applicant's president's current relationship, if any, with Faith Transportation Services, Inc., and Faith Transportation, Inc.?
- f. What is applicant's current relationship, if any, with Faith Services Transportation, Inc., Faith Transportation Services, Inc., and Faith Transportation, Inc.?
- g. Has applicant proposed or executed any contracts to furnish transportation services in the Metropolitan District?
- h. Are the hourly rates in applicant's proposed tariff intended to be general tariff rates or contract tariff rates?
- i. Does applicant propose furnishing transportation service to any government agencies, including service to any government agency contractors or clients?
- j. Are the hourly rates in Exhibit B for shared ride service, and if so, how will fares for unrelated passengers be calculated?

5. That applicant's president, Roosevelt Dickens, shall file with the Commission, no later than November 20, 2003, an original and four copies of a statement explaining the purpose for forming Faith Transportation Services, Inc., and describing its activities while Mr. Dickens was its president.

6. That the deadline for filing protests, comments, applications for intervention, and requests for formal hearing, is December 11, 2003, and that copies must be served on applicant's president, Roosevelt Dickens, P.O. Box 77633, Washington, DC 20013.

FOR THE COMMISSION:



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Executive Director