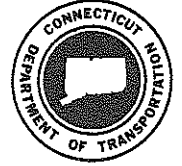


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DOCKET NUMBER 0810-N-172-L

RE: APPLICATION OF VINCENT J. SORRENTINO D.B.A. SHORELINE LIVERY, LLC. TO OPERATE ONE (1) MOTOR VEHICLE, HAVING A SEATING CAPACITY OF TEN (10) ADULTS OR LESS, IN GENERAL LIVERY SERVICE BETWEEN ALL POINTS IN CONNECTICUT FROM A HEADQUARTERS IN CLINTON.

FINAL DECISION

August 26, 2009

## I. INTRODUCTION

### A. General

By application filed on October 30, 2008, with the Department of Transportation (hereinafter "Department"), pursuant to Section 13b-103 of the Connecticut General Statutes, as amended, Vincent J. Sorrentino d.b.a. Shoreline Livery, LLC (hereinafter "applicant"), with a mailing address of P.O. Box 681, Clinton, Connecticut, Connecticut, seeks authorization to operate one (1) motor vehicle, having a seating capacity of ten (10) adults or less, in general livery service between all points in Connecticut from a headquarters in the town of Clinton.

### B. Hearing Held

Pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes Section 13b-103(a), as amended, a public hearing on this application was held on August 6, 2009.

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 the Connecticut General Statutes Section 13b-103. 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

Mr. Vincent Sorrentino appeared on behalf of the applicant. The applicant was represented by attorney John Carta. Mr. Carta's mailing address is 31 North Main Street, Essex, Connecticut 06426.

Sheldon Lubin, a member of Department staff, was present at the hearing.

## II. FINDINGS OF FACT

1. The applicant has held interstate Livery Permit Number 3039 for the past four years.
2. The applicant is seeking to operate one (1) motor vehicle in intrastate livery service.
3. In the past, the applicant had to refer its intrastate livery work to other livery carriers such as Central Park South Limousines, LLC. The applicant presented a list of sixteen intrastate livery trips it preformed for Central Park South.
4. The applicant has also farmed out intrastate livery business to Hy's, Hunters and Castle Sedan.
5. Salvadore Chiamonte, arranges cruises and other travel. He has clients in Connecticut that need intrastate livery service to the airport, which they are having difficulty finding.
6. There is no opposition to this application.

### III. DEPARTMENT ANALYSIS

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.

In support of financial wherewithal, the applicant provided financial information that shows the applicant has a cash balance of \$309. The insurance on the applicant's car will cost \$3,600. The fair market value of the vehicle the applicant proposes to utilize is \$7,890. Since the applicant will incur little extra cost to operate intrastate livery service, the applicant is deemed financially suitable.

With regard to suitability, the applicant provided the requisite criminal conviction history forms for Vincent Sorrentino. His criminal history form shows no criminal record. The applicant has been operating in interstate livery service without any problems or citations. Based on the evidence presented, the applicant has proven the requisite suitability to operate the proposed service.

As part of the requirements that must be met for a livery permit to be granted, the applicant must show that public convenience would be improved by the service. To show the need for the service, the applicant presented a witness, Salvadore Chiaramonte, who testified that his clients need reliable livery service to instate airports.

The applicant has developed a good working network with other livery providers in the area who have chosen not to contest this hearing. The applicant has been in interstate livery service for four years and will not be able to grow or maintain his client base without the ability to operate in intrastate livery service.

### IV. CONCLUSION AND ORDER

Based upon the above and pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes Section 13b-103, as amended, the application of Vincent J. Sorrentino d.b.a. Shoreline Livery, LLC is hereby granted and Livery Permit Number 3039 is amended and reissued as follows:

LIVERY PERMIT NO. 3039  
FOR THE OPERATION OF LIVERY SERVICE

Vincent J. Sorrentino d.b.a. Shoreline Livery, LLC is hereby permitted and authorized to operate one (1) motor vehicle, having a seating capacity of ten (10) adults or less, in general livery service between all points in Connecticut from a headquarters in Clinton.

Vincent J Sorrentino d.b.a. Shoreline Livery, LLC is hereby permitted and authorized to operate motor vehicles for the transportation of passengers in special and charter operations in interstate commerce under such authorization as issued or amended by the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration in the issuance of Certificate Number MC-523377C.

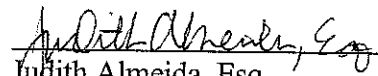
The authority granted under this permit may not be sold or transferred until it has been operational, i.e. a vehicle registered with livery plates there under for not less than twenty-four (24) months.

This permit shall remain in effect until 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 the rules, regulations and orders of the Department may from time to time prescribe thereunder.

A memorandum of this permit, bearing the seal of the Department, shall be kept conspicuously posted in the motor vehicles operated under this permit.

Dated at Newington, Connecticut on this 26th day of August 2009.

CONNECTICUT DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

  
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