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DOCKET NO. 2103-N-19-L

RE: APPLICATION OF ADNANE ELARABI OPERATE FIVE (5)  
GENERAL LIVERY VEHICLES, WITH A SEATING CAPACITY OF  
LESS THAN ELEVEN PASSENGERS, FROM A HEADQUARTERS IN  
HAMDEN

DECISION

JUNE 8, 2021

## I. INTRODUCTION

### A. APPLICATION

By application filed on March 30, 2021, with the Department of Transportation (hereinafter "department"), pursuant to Section 13b-103 of the Connecticut General Statutes, as amended, Adnane Elarabi (hereinafter "applicant") with a mailing address of 238 Putnam Avenue, Hamden, Connecticut 06517 seeks authorization to operate five (5) motor vehicles, having a seating capacity of less than eleven (11) passengers, in general livery service from a headquarters in Hamden.

### B. HEARING

Pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes Section 13b-103, as amended, a public hearing by telephone was held on this application on June 3, 2021.

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 Connecticut General Statutes Section 13b-103, as amended. 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

Adnane Elarabi appeared pro se on behalf of the applicant. The applicant's mailing address is 238 Putnam Avenue, Hamden, Connecticut 06517.

## II. FINDINGS OF FACT

1. The applicant seeks to operate five (5) motor vehicles in general livery service from a headquarters in Hamden.

2. The applicant will operate a 2016 Toyota Avalon, 2015 Toyota Avalon, 2015 Lincoln MKT, 2017 Honda CRV and a 2014 Chevrolet Traverse in the livery business.

3. The applicant's first six months of expenses includes insurance costs of \$23,120, maintenance costs of \$3,000, vehicle costs of \$41,343, communication costs of \$3,000 and property tax of \$956.

4. The applicant has \$87,194 in a business bank account.
5. The applicant has secured more than five drivers to handle the livery driving.
6. The applicant has many years in the transportation business as a driver, dispatcher and a Driver Services Manager.
7. Initially, the applicant will operate out of his residence while the drivers will bring the vehicles home. The applicant plans to procure an office at a later date.
8. The applicant presented several; witnesses in support of the application including clients who have used him as a driver in the past.
9. Mr. Elarabi has a business degree.
10. This application was not opposed.

### III. DISCUSSION

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.

Regarding the applicant's suitability, the applicant submitted a criminal record check for Adnane Elarabi, which disclosed no criminal record. Mr. Elarabi has been in the transportation business for many years as both a driver and driving trainer. During this time, he has gained the business experience to operate a livery service. Based on the evidence presented, the applicant is suitable to conduct the proposed intrastate livery business.

As far as the applicant's financial ability is concerned, the applicant presented evidence that the first six months of expenses includes: insurance costs of \$23,120, maintenance costs of

\$3,000, vehicle costs of \$41,343, communication costs of \$3,000 and property tax of \$956 for a total expense of \$71,419. The applicant has \$ 87,194 in a bank account to cover these startup expenses and is therefore financially suitable.

On the issue of public convenience and necessity, the applicant presented many witnesses willing to speak in support of the application. Some of the witnesses worked with Mr. Elarabi and then used him for livery service. The other witnesses are former coworkers familiar with his customer friendly service and have referred him livery work. Based on the evidence presented, the applicant will receive authorization for intrastate livery transportation.

#### IV. ORDER

Based upon the above and pursuant to Connecticut General Statute Section 13b-103, as amended, the application in the name of Adnane Elarabi is hereby granted, and Livery Permit Number 3708 is hereby issued as follows:

#### **LIVERY PERMIT NUMBER 3708**

Adnane Elarabi is authorized to operate five (5) motor vehicles in general livery service, with a seating capacity of less than eleven passengers, from a headquarters in Hamden.

#### **RESTRICTIONS:**

**The applicant must register and insure the five (5) general livery vehicles granted in this decision within ninety (90) days. Failure to do so may result in revocation of this authority.**

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 thereunder for not less than twenty-four (24) months.

This permit shall remain in effect until it is amended, suspended or 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 rules, regulations and orders of the department shall be considered sufficient cause to amend, suspend or revoke said permit.

A memorandum of this permit, bearing the seal of the department, shall be

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conspicuously posted in each motor vehicle operated under this permit.

Dated at Newington, Connecticut on the 8th day of June 2021.

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