

Decision No. 18529

BEFORE THE RAILROAD COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA.

In the Matter of the Application
of G. LAWRENCE RITCHIE to sell and
W. W. WOOD to purchase a half
interest in an automobile stage and
freight line doing business under
the name of WARNER, JULIAN and
CUYAMACA TRUCK LINE.)

ORIGINAL

Application No. 13844.

BY THE COMMISSION:

OPINION AND ORDER

G. Lawrence Ritchie has petitioned the Railroad Commission for an order approving the sale and transfer by him to his partner, W. W. Wood, of his one-half interest in operating rights for an automobile service for the transportation of passengers and freight between San Diego and Warner's Hot Springs and certain intermediate points and for the transportation of freight between San Diego and Julian and intermediate points, and W. W. Wood has asked for authority to purchase and acquire said one-half interest in said operating rights and as sole owner of said operating rights to hereafter operate thereunder, the sale and transfer to be in accordance with an agreement marked Exhibit "A", which exhibit is attached to the application herein and made a part thereof.

The consideration to be paid for the property herein proposed to be transferred is given as \$7000, which sum is said to represent one-half the value of the business of the partnership of Ritchie and Wood, including intangibles, equipment, and real estate.

The operating rights, a one-half interest in which herein is/ proposed to be transferred, were established as follows:

BETWEEN SAN DIEGO AND WARNER'S HOT
SPRINGS AND INTERMEDIATE POINTS.

Decision No. 7607, dated May 24, 1920, and issued on

Application No. 5240, C. E. Means authorized by Railroad Commission to operate between San Diego and Warner's Hot Springs, Montezuma, and Oak Grove, and other mountain points, (passengers and freight), provided no service over the portion of the route between San Diego and Santa Ysabel.

Decision No. 10321, dated April 14, 1922, and issued on Application No. 7625, C. E. Means authorized by Railroad Commission to transfer operating right granted in Decision No. 7607, to G. Lawrence Ritchie, the latter being required to file acceptance containing specific reference to restrictions contained in Decision No. 7607.

Decision No. 14856, dated April 29, 1925, and issued on Application No. 11031, G. Lawrence Ritchie authorized by Railroad Commission to transfer one-half interest in operating right acquired by him through Decision No. 10321, to W. W. Wood, authorization being granted with the understanding that right to transport passengers was limited to points covered by tariffs filed by C. E. Means, (between Santa Ysabel and Warner's Hot Springs and Montezuma and Oak Grove), and freight between San Diego and Warner's Hot Springs and certain intermediate points, which tariffs were subsequently reissued by Ritchie.

BETWEEN SAN DIEGO AND JULIAN
AND INTERMEDIATE POINTS.

Decision No. 5925, dated November 15, 1918, and issued on Application No. 4203, Robert Nicholson authorized by the Railroad Commission to operate freight service between San Diego and Julian and intermediate points, said intermediate points being shown in tariff accompanying application as Pine Hills, Santa Ysabel, Witch Creek and Ramona.

Decision No. 11710, dated February 23, 1923, and issued on Application No. 8351, Robert Nicholson authorized by the Railroad Commission to transfer operating right granted in Decision No. 5925, to A. E. Blanc and B. H. Christian, co-partners.

Decision No. 14857, dated April 29, 1927, and issued on Application No. 11032, A. E. Blanc and B. H. Christian, co-partners, authorized by the Railroad Commission to transfer operating right acquired by Decision No. 11,710, to G. Lawrence Ritchie and W. W. Wood, co-partners.

We are of the opinion that this is a matter in which a pub-

lic hearing is not necessary and that the application should be granted.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the above entitled application be and the same hereby is granted, subject to the following conditions:

1. The consideration to be paid for the property herein authorized to be transferred shall never be urged before this Commission or any other rate fixing body as a measure of value of said property for rate fixing, or any purpose other than the transfer herein authorized.

2. Applicants Ritchie & Wood, as a partnership, shall immediately unite with applicant W. W. Wood, individual, in common supplement to the tariffs on file with the Commission, applicants Ritchie & Wood on the one hand withdrawing and applicant Wood on the other hand accepting and establishing such tariffs and all effective supplements thereto.

3. Applicants Ritchie & Wood, as partners, shall immediately withdraw time schedules filed in their name with the Railroad Commission and applicant W. W. Wood shall immediately file, in duplicate, in his own name, time schedules covering service heretofore given by applicants Ritchie & Wood, which time schedules shall be identical with the time schedules now on file with the Railroad Commission in the name of applicants Ritchie & Wood, or time schedules satisfactory to the Railroad Commission.

4. The rights and privileges herein authorized may not be sold, leased, transferred nor assigned, nor service thereunder discontinued, unless the written consent of the Railroad Commission to such sale, lease, transfer, assignment or discontinuance has first been secured.

5. No vehicle may be operated by applicant Wood unless such vehicle is owned by said applicant or is leased by him under a contract or agreement on a basis satisfactory to the Railroad Commission.

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 20th day
of January, 1927.

Ernest C. East
W. W. Wood
Chas. J. ...
Leon ...
Howe ...
Commissioners.