

Decision No. 7255

BEFORE THE RAILROAD COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

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In the Matter of the Application of  
A. J. Richardson for certificate of  
Public Convenience and Necessity  
to operate passenger service between  
Los Angeles and Sunland, California.

ORIGINAL

Application No. 3595

By the Commission:

ORDER

A. J. Richardson has petitioned the Railroad Commission for an order declaring that public convenience and necessity require the operation by him of an automobile stage line as a common carrier of passengers between Los Angeles and Sunland and intermediate points.

Applicant proposes to charge rates in accordance with a schedule marked Exhibit "A" and filed with the application in this proceeding and to operate on a schedule marked Exhibit "B" using as equipment one fifteen passenger Studebaker bus and one seven passenger Studebaker touring car.

Applicant purchased line formerly owned and operated by Earl T. Simms under the fictitious name of Pioneer Stage Line, the rights and privileges of which were acquired by Earl T. Simms, by reason of his operation of the stage line on May 1, 1917, and continuously since such date, May 1, 1917, being the date recognized by the Legislature in the passage of Chapter 213, Statutes of 1917, as that upon which operators in good faith were not required to secure a certificate of public convenience and necessity from the Railroad Commission nor permits from the governing bodies of the various political sub-divisions through which the route passes.

There being no other method of regular transportation available for the public over the route, and applicant desires privilege of continuing operations under the fictitious name of Pioneer Stage Line.

We are of the opinion that this is not a matter in which a public hearing should be held, and that the application should be granted.

THE RAILROAD COMMISSION HEREBY DECLARES that public convenience and necessity require the operation by A. J. Richardson of an automobile stage line as a common carrier of passengers, between Los Angeles and Sunland and intermediate points; provided, however, that the rights and privileges herein granted may not be transferred nor assigned unless the written consent of the Railroad Commission to such transfer or assignment has first been secured.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED, that no vehicle may be operated under this certificate unless such vehicle is owned by the applicant herein or is leased by said applicant under a contract or agreement on a basis satisfactory to the Railroad Commission.

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 12<sup>th</sup> day of March, 1920.

Edwin C. Edgerton  
H. D. Overland  
H. N. Brundage  
COMMISSIONERS.