

ORIGINAL

Decision No. 38717

BEFORE THE RAILROAD COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application of) Application No. 27208  
EDWIN M. CORAM for license as motor) carrier transportation agent.

EDWIN M. CORAM, in propria persona.

JAMES GUNN, for Board of Public Utilities and Transportation of the City of Los Angeles, interested party.

A. R. PICKETT, for Pacific Greyhound Lines, Overland Greyhound Lines and Santa Fe Transportation Company, protestants..

O P I N I O N

The applicant herein requests a license to engage in the business of a motor carrier transportation agent as defined in the Motor Carrier Transportation Agent Act (Chapter 390, Statutes 1935, as amended). Public hearing was held at Los Angeles on February 8, 1946, before Examiner Gannon.

Applicant is 37 years of age and since the latter part of November, 1945 has operated a travel bureau in Los Angeles County, confined to interstate operations. Prior to that time he was employed by General Motors Corporation as a mechanic..

Applicant proposes to operate as a motor carrier transportation agent at 1661 East Florence Avenue, Los Angeles, California, in the following manner and will represent the following classes of carriers:

"Occasional travelers who desire to carry passengers with them and does not intend to and will not represent those who make a business of carrying without certificates of public convenience and necessity and proposes to advertise for car owners and passengers through the usual proper advertising channels; proposes to register the car drivers and the car passengers; to receive proper identification from car drivers and to endeavor in all ways to see that car driver is a responsible party who will carry out his agreement with the passengers and also to see that

"passengers who are provided with transportation by such occasional carriers are proper persons to be provided with transportation; applicant will follow all rules and regulations of the Railroad Commission and will take a thumb print of each driver who carries passengers through this applicant's agency."

The application further states that in October 1945, applicant was arrested and pleaded guilty to a charge of operating an automobile while under the influence of liquor and paid a fine of \$100. At the hearing he testified that in August 1945 he had been arrested and pleaded guilty to a similar charge and was fined \$200. The application, however, makes no reference to the August offense, and the circumstances surrounding that incident were disclosed only when applicant was under cross-examination.

After due consideration of the facts of record in this matter, the Commission finds that this applicant should not be licensed as a motor carrier transportation agent and, accordingly, the application will be denied.

O R D E R

A public hearing having been had in the above entitled proceeding, evidence having been received, the matter having been submitted, and the Commission now being fully advised in the premises,

IT IS ORDERED that the application of Edwin M. Coram for a license to operate as a motor carrier transportation agent at 1661 East Florence Avenue, Los Angeles, Ca, and the same is hereby denied.

Dated at San Francisco, California, February 26 1946.

Harold Anderson  
Justice F. Currier  
Samuel P. Hulse  
COMMISSIONERS