Decision No. 38929.

BEFORE THE RAILROAD COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFOR

In the Matter of the Application of)
MRS. JANE PRETLOW for a license as )
motor carrier transportation agent.)

Application No. 27322

F. W. TURCOTTE, for applicant.
A. R. PICKETT, for Pacific Greyhound Lines, Overland
Greyhound Lines and Santa Fe Trailways,
protestants.

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

## OPINION

In this application Mrs. Jane Pretlow requests a license to engage in the business of a motor carrier transportation agent, as defined in the Motor Carrier Transportation Agent Act (Ch. 390, Stats. 1933, as amended). A public hearing was held before Commissioner Huls and Examiner Gannon at Los Angeles on April 19, 1946.

Since October 1945, applicant has been in the employ of Ray Herndon, who has heretofore been granted a motor carrier (1) transportation agent license by this Commission. She testified that her duties were confined chiefly to answering telephone calls and supplying information to persons contemplating trips to various parts of the State in privately owned cars on a share-expense basis. She operated on a commission basis, and in effect ran the office while Herndon was absent.

It is applicant's desire to continue as an agent for Herndon by procuring a license in her own name and establishing

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<sup>(1)</sup> Decision No. 37502, on Application No. 26304, dated November 28, 1944.

herself in business at the same address from which Herndon operates. She will perform all the duties of a motor carrier transportation agent, but in the capacity of agent acting for Herndon, and will be paid a commission on all business coming through the office.

Ray Herndon testified on behalf of applicant and stated that Mrs. Pretlow would be employed by him to manage the office during his absence for which she would receive compensation on a percentage basis. He described at some length the activities of a travel club of some 800 members organized by him and through which the members, upon payment of a fee, were given certain privileges and accorded certain services.

We are of the opinion that the service to be performed by the applicant is of such a nature that prospective passengers will be benefited, and our conclusion is that the applicant should be given a license as a motor carrier transportation agent. The order which follows will be in accord with that finding.

## ORDER

A public hearing having been held 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 Mrs. Jane Pretlow be and she is hereby licensed to engage in the business or act in the capacity of a motor carrier transportation agent, as defined in the Motor Carrier Transportation Agent Act (Ch. 390, Stats. 1933, as amended), only at the following location, to-wit: 40 South Los Robles, Pasadena,

California; to sell, offer for sale, negotiate for, furnish or provide transportation to be furnished by motor carriers, as defined in Chapter 390, Statutes 1933, as amended, subject to the condition, however, that she shall, within 60 days from the date hereof, provide and file with the Reilroad Commission a good and sufficient surety bond in the sum of \$1000 in accordance with the provisions of Section 8 of said Act and in a form prescribed or approved by the Railroad Commission.

December 31, 1946, subject to the provisions for renewal prescribed by the Railroad Commission; provided, however, that her license shall be inoperative and of no force or effect during any period when there shall not be in effect and on file with the Railroad Commission for said Mrs. Jane Pretlow a good and sufficient surety bond in accordance with the provisions of said Section 8 of said Act and the rules and regulations of the Railroad Commission.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that upon said Mrs. Jane Pretlow filing; with the Commission a surety bond as hereinabove provided, the Secretary of the Railroad Commission be and he is hereby authorized and directed to issue and deliver to said Mrs. Jane Pretlow a certificate of the authority granted hereby.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the above described license be issued upon the condition that operations authorized thereunder shall be conducted in accordance with all applicable rules, regulations and requirements relating thereto issued by the Commission

under the Motor Carrier Transportation Agent Act (Ch. 390, Stats. 1933, as amended).

The effective date of this order shall be 20 days from the date hercof.

day of May, 1946.

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