

Decision No. 39216

BEFORE THE RAILROAD COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

Application of CHARLES PIERSON SLOCOMBE)  
(Catalina Sea Clippers) for a certifi- )  
cate authorizing transportation of )  
passengers by vessel, between Balboa, )  
Orange County, and Avalon, Catalina )  
Island, as an enlargement of rights )  
sought to be acquired by applicant from )  
Pacific Water Taxi Company. )

Application No. 27250  
1st Supplemental

ORIGINAL

ORDER OF DISMISSAL

Charles P. Slocombe filed the instant application which requests an order of this Commission authorizing him to operate under the fictitious name of Catalina-Long Beach Boat Service instead of Catalina Sea Clippers.

Applicant was authorized to operate a water taxi service for the transportation of passengers between Long Beach and Catalina by Decision No. 38792, in Application No. 27250. The order in such decision granted a certificate of public convenience and necessity to "Charles P. Slocombe, an individual," and added the words immediately thereafter "doing business as the Catalina Sea Clippers,". The latter portion of the order above quoted must be construed as descriptive of the individual and not a necessary part of the order. The certificate of public convenience and necessity having been issued to Charles P. Slocombe he may designate the business he operates pursuant thereto in any manner he deems appropriate without authority from this Commission. The use of a fictitious name involves a question of law as well as an exercise of individual choice or discrimination over which the Commission may not properly assume control. However, to insure administrative clarity and to avoid clerical confusion, the

Commission should be advised promptly of any changes in business designation by individuals holding certificates of public convenience and necessity.

Therefore, if Charles P. Slocombe elects to change the name under which he conducts the water taxi operation authorized by Decision No. 36792, in Application No. 27250, he should notify the Commission when this has been accomplished. Filing of the instant application can avail nothing.

Therefore, good cause appearing,

IT IS ORDERED that First Supplemental Application No. 27250 is dismissed.

The effective date of this order shall be the date hereof.

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 9th day of July, 1946.

Harold C. Baker  
Arthur J. Cooney  
Francis Davis  
James H. Quinn  
Harold Kule  
COMMISSIONERS