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BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application) of Carol Matranga, Executrix of) the Estate of Frank Matranga, dba) Crown Limousine Service, to sell) and Clifford A. Collins and Arlene) K. Johnson, a co-partnership, dba) Chauffeurs Unlimited, U.S.A., for) authority to purchase the Certificate) of Public Convenience and Necessity.)

Application No. 56812 (Filed October 14, 1976)

$\underline{O P I N I O N}$

Carol Matranga, executrix of the estate of Frank Matranga, dba Crown Limousine Service, requests authority to transfer to Clifford A. Collins and Arlene K. Johnson, a co-partnership, dba Chauffeurs Unlimited, U.S.A., equipment and a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity to operate as a Passenger Stage Corporation to carry passengers and their baggage between the Cities of Glendale and Burbank, on the one hand, and Los Angeles International Airport, on the other hand.

The certificate was granted to Frank Matranga by Decision 85044 issued October 28, 1975 in Application 55397. Applicant has been operating the routes authorized by this certificate for a period of one year. Since the recent passing of her husband, Mrs. Matranga finds herself without sufficient stamina or expertise to continue the operation and, therefore, requests that the transfer be authorized as soon as possible.

Transferees have been engaged in the operation of a limousine service throughout Southern California for the past two and one-half years. Prior to the California operation, transferees were engaged in a similar service in the State of Illinois for over four years and, therefore, have the necessary experience to commence and to carry on the operation herein sought to be transferred.

Transferees propose to use the two twelve-passenger vehicles currently operated by transferor in performing this passenger stage service and will purchase additional vehicles if required at a later

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date, should the need arise. Transferees have sufficient financial ability to purchase said vehicles.

The total purchase price is \$10,000, which includes \$3,150 for the operating authority and \$6,850 for the two vehicles.

The application was listed on the Commission's Daily Calendar of October 19, 1976. The Commission's Transportation Division staff has reviewed the application and recommends that in the absence of protest or request for public hearing, it be granted by an ex parte order. No protest or request for hearing has been received.

After consideration the Commission finds that the proposed transfer would not be adverse to the public interest and concludes that it should be authorized.

A public hearing is not necessary and the application should be granted.

The order which follows will provide for, in the event the transfer is completed, the revocation of the certificate presently held by Frank A. Matranga, doing business as Crown Limousine Service, and the issuance of a certificate in appendix form to Clifford A. Collins and Arlene K. Johnson, a co-partnership, doing business as Chauffeurs Unlimited, U.S.A.

Transferees are placed on notice that operative rights, as such, do not constitute a class of property which may be capitalized or used as an element of value in rate fixing for any amount of money in excess of that originally paid to the State as the consideration for the grant of such rights. Aside from their purely permissive aspect, such rights extend to the holder a full or partial monopoly of a class of business. This monopoly feature may be modified or canceled at any time by the State, which is not in any respect limited as to the number of rights which may be given.

ORDER

IT IS ORDERED that:

1. On or before March 1, 1977 Carol Matranga, Executrix of the estate of Frank Matranga, doing business as Crown Limousine Service,

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may transfer the operative rights and equipment referred to in the application to Clifford A. Collins and Arlene K. Johnson, doing business as Chauffeurs Unlimited, U.S.A.

2. Within thirty days after the transfer the transferees shall file with the Commission written acceptance of the certificate and a true copy of the bill of sale or other instrument of transfer.

3. Transferees shall amend or reissue the tariffs and timetables on file with the Commission, naming rates and rules governing the common carrier operations transferred to show that they have adopted or established, as their own, the rates and rules. The tariff and timetable filings shall be made effective not earlier than five days after the effective date of this order on not less than five days' notice to the Commission and the public, and the effective date of the tariff and timetable filings shall be concurrent with the transfer. The tariff and timetable filings made pursuant to this order shall comply in all respects with the regulations governing the construction and filing of tariffs and timetables set forth in the Commission's General Orders 79-Series and 98-Series.

4. In the event the transfer authorized in Paragraph 1 is completed, effective concurrently with the effective date of the tariff filing required by Paragraph 3, a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity is granted to Clifford A. Collins and Arlene K. Johnson, a co-partnership, doing business as Chauffeurs Unlimited, U.S.A., authorizing them to operate as a Passenger Stage Corporation, as defined in Section 226 of the Public Utilities Code, between the points and over the routes set forth in Appendix A, attached hereto and made a part hereof.

5. The Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity granted by Paragraph 4 of this order shall supersede the Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity granted by Decision 85044 issued October 28, 1975 in Application 55397, which certificate is revoked effective concurrently with the effective date of the tariff filings required by Paragraph 3 hereof.

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6. Transferees shall comply with the safety rules administered by the California Highway Patrol, the rules and other regulations of the Commission's General Order 98-Series and the insurance requirements of the Commission's General Order 101-Series.

7. Transferees shall maintain their accounting records on a calendar year basis in conformance with the applicable Uniform System of Accounts or Chart of Accounts as prescribed or adopted by this Commission and shall file with the Commission, on or before March 31 of each year, an annual report of their operations in such form, content and number of copies as the Commission, from time to time, shall prescribe.

Because of the urgent need of Mrs. Matranga to transfer the passenger service to an experienced operator as soon as possible, the effective date of this order is the date hereof.

Dated at <u>San Francisco</u>, California, this $\frac{1477}{2}$ day of <u>NFCFMRFP</u>, 1976.

President

Commissioners

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Appendix A

Clifford A. Collins and Arlene K. Johnson, a co-partnership dba CHAUFFEURS UNLIMITED, U.S.A.

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CERTIFICATE

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PUBLIC CONVENIENCE AND NECESSITY

AS A PASSENGER STAGE CORPORATION

Showing passenger stage operative rights, restrictions, limitations, exceptions, and privileges applicable thereto.

All changes and amendments as authorized by the Public Utilities Commission of the State of California will be made as revised pages or added original pages.

Issued under authority of Decision No. 86746 dated DEC 14 1976 of the Public Utilities Commission of the State of California, in Application No. 56812.

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Clifford A. Collins and Arlene K. Johnson, Original Page 2 a co-partnership dba CHAUFFEURS UNLIMITED, U.S.A.

GENERAL AUTHORIZATIONS, RESTRICTIONS, LIMITATIONS AND SPECIFICATIONS

Clifford A. Collins and Arlene K. Johnson, a co-partnership dba Chauffeurs Unlimited, U.S.A., by the Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity granted by the decision noted in the margin, is authorized as a Passenger Stage Corporation to transport passengers and their baggage between Glendale and Burbank, on the one hand, and Los Angeles International Airport, on the other hand, over and along the most direct or reasonable route or routes subject, however, to the authority of this Commission to change or modify said routes at any time and subject to the following provision:

> Only passengers with origin or destination at Golden Key Motor Hotel in Glendale or the Safari Motor Hotel in Burbank, on the one hand, and Los Angeles International Airport, on the other hand, may be transported.

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