

BEFORE THE  
PENNSYLVANIA PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION

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BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION AND ENFORCEMENT :

V. :

DOCKET NO. C-2023-3040805

HASSANA L. SESSOMS :  
T/A: A-1 ALLENTOWN TAXI/TAXIS R US :  
426 W. TURNER ST :  
ALLENTOWN, PA 18102 :

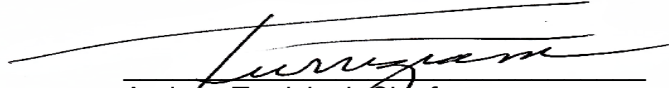
COMPLAINT

The Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission (Commission) is a duly constituted agency of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania empowered to regulate public utilities within the Commonwealth. The Commission has delegated its authority to initiate proceedings which are prosecutory in nature to the Bureau of Investigation and Enforcement and other bureaus with enforcement responsibilities. Pursuant to that delegated authority and Section 701 of the Public Utility Code, the Bureau of Investigation and Enforcement hereby represents as follows:

1. That Hassana L. Sessoms, T/A A-1 Allentown Taxi/Taxis R US, Respondent, maintains its principal place of business at 426 W. Turner Street, Allentown, Lehigh County Pennsylvania, 18102.
2. That on July 21, 2021, Respondent was served an official warning letter advising to cease operations as a passenger carrier without required PUC authority.
3. That on August 1, 2023, PUC Enforcement Officer Reynaldo Pierluisse was assigned a complaint about the Respondent. A review of documents in PUC files reveals no authority/certificate for the Respondent.
4. That on September 6, 2023, Officer Pierluisse called the Respondents phone number requesting a ride from Park Drive to the intersection of 13<sup>th</sup> and Chew Streets. Respondent advised that her driver would call for an exact location. At 11:50 am, the driver of a vehicle approached Officer Pierluisse informing the officer that he was here to pick someone up. Officer Pierluisse identified himself and asked the driver, Floyd J. Carter, for his license and vehicle registration. A Driver/Vehicle Compliance Report (DVCR) was completed at that time with several violations noted.
5. Operating without holding a certificate/authority of public convenience for transporting passengers for compensation in the Commonwealth, violating 66 PA §1101 . The penalty for this violation is \$1,000.
6. Officer Pierluisse issued citations to the vehicle driver for violations of Pa Vehicle Code 75 §1543(a), driving under DUI suspension and 75 PA §4703(a) operating a vehicle without displaying a valid PA State inspection decal.

WHEREFORE, the Bureau of Investigation and Enforcement hereby requests that the Commission fine Hassana L. Sessoms, T/A A-1 Allentown Taxi/Taxis R US, the amount of one thousand dollars (\$1,000.00) for the illegal activity described in this Complaint and order such other remedy as the Commission may deem to be appropriate.

Respectfully submitted,

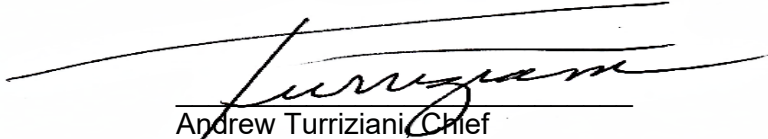
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Andrew Turriziani, Chief  
Motor Carrier Enforcement  
Bureau of Investigation and Enforcement  
400 North Street  
Harrisburg, PA 17120

VERIFICATION

I, Andrew Turriziani, hereby state that the facts above set forth are true and correct to the best of my knowledge, information, and belief and that I expect that the Bureau will be able to prove same at any hearing held in this matter. I understand that the statements herein are made subject to the penalties of 18 Pa. C.S. §4904 relating to unsworn falsification to authorities.

Date: 12 September 2023



Andrew Turriziani, Chief  
Motor Carrier Enforcement  
Bureau of Investigation and Enforcement

## NOTICE

- A. You must file an Answer within twenty (20) days of the date of service of this Complaint. The date of service is the mailing date as indicated at the top of the Secretarial Cover Letter for this Complaint and Notice, 52 Pa. Code §1.56(a). An Answer is a written explanation of circumstances wished to be considered in determining the outcome. The Answer shall raise all factual and legal arguments that you wish to claim in your defense and must include the reference number of this Complaint. Your Answer must be verified, and the original shall be mailed to:

Rosemary Chiavetta, Secretary  
Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission  
400 North Street, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor  
Harrisburg, PA 17120

Or you may **eFile your Answer** using the Commission's website at [www.puc.pa.gov](http://www.puc.pa.gov). The link to eFiling is located under the Filing & Resources tab on the homepage. If your Answer is 250 pages or less, you are not required to file a paper copy.

Additionally, a copy should either be mailed to:

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Or, **e-mailed to** at: [RA-PCCmplntResp@pa.gov](mailto:RA-PCCmplntResp@pa.gov)

- B. If you fail to answer this complaint within twenty (20) days, the Bureau of Investigation and Enforcement will request that the Commission issue a Secretarial Letter imposing a penalty. The penalty could include a fine, the suspension or revocation of your certificate of public convenience or other remedy.
- C. You may elect not to contest this complaint by paying the fine proposed in this Complaint by certified check or money order. Payment must be made to the **Commonwealth of Pennsylvania** and should be forwarded to:
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- D. Your payment is an admission that you committed the alleged violation and an agreement to cease and desist from further violations. Upon receipt of your payment, the complaint proceeding shall be closed.
- E. If you file an Answer, which admits or fails to deny the allegations of the Complaint, the Bureau of Investigation and Enforcement will request that the Commission issue a Secretarial Letter imposing a penalty.
- F. If you file an Answer which contests the Complaint, the matter will be assigned to an Administrative Law Judge for hearing and decision. The judge is not bound by the optional fine set forth above.

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