BEFORE THE
PENNSYLVANIA PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION

Application of Ark Life Services Limited Liability Company for the right to transport, as a common carrier, by motor vehicle, person in paratransit service from points in Montgomery, County to points in Pennsylvania, and return.	:	A-2025-3058581

ORDER REASSIGNING APPLICATION

On June 5, 2025, Ark Life Services Limited Liability Company (Applicant) filed an Application with the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission (Commission) for the right to transport, as a common carrier, by motor vehicle, persons in paratransit service, from points in Montgomery County, to points in Pennsylvania, and return. The Commission caused notice of this Application to be published in the December 13, 2025, *Pennsylvania Bulletin* at, 55 Pa.B. 8454, specifying a deadline of December 29, 2025, for filing protests.

On December 29, 2025, Bux-Mont Transportation, Inc., Easton Coach Company, Suburban Transit Network, Inc., and Tri County Transit Service, Inc. (collectively, the Joint Protestants) filed a Joint Protest to the Application.

By Initial In-Person Hearing Notice dated January 6, 2026, the Commission scheduled an in-person hearing on this matter for March 25, 2026, at 10:00 a.m., and assigned the case to me.

A Prehearing Order was issued on January 9, 2026, advising the parties of the date and time of the scheduled hearing, informing them of the procedures applicable to the proceeding, and directing the submission of documents prior to the hearing.

On March 20, 2026, the Applicant requested a 60-day continuance of the scheduled hearing in order to obtain legal representation in Pennsylvania. Applicant indicated that counsel for the Joint Protestants had no objection to the continuance request.

By Hearing Cancellation/Reschedule Notice dated March 24, 2026, the Commission cancelled the March 25, 2026 hearing and rescheduled it for May 20, 2026.

A second Prehearing Order was issued on May 4, 2026, reminding the parties of the date and time of the scheduled hearing, informing them of the procedures applicable to the proceeding, and directing the submission of documents prior to the hearing.

On May 4, 2026, Joint Protestants filed a Notice of Withdrawal of Joint Protest explaining that they have determined not to proceed to hearing.

A Hearing Cancellation Notice dated May 4, 2026, notified the parties that hearing scheduled in this matter for May 20, 2026, was cancelled.

The Commission's regulation at 52 Pa. Code § 3.381(c)(1)(iii) provides that if all protests to an application for passenger authority are withdrawn at or prior to the hearing, the Commission may consider the application without holding an oral hearing, based on verified statements filed by the applicant. Since no protests other than that filed by the Joint Protestants were filed to Ark Life Services Limited Liability Company's Application, this matter shall be referred to the Commission's Bureau of Technical Utility Services for further review under the procedure set forth at 52 Pa. Code § 3.381(c)(1)(iii).

ORDER

THEREFORE,

IT IS ORDERED:

1. That the Application of Ark Life Services Limited Liability Company Docket No. A-2025-3058581, is reassigned from the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission's Office of Administrative Law Judge to the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission's Bureau of Technical Utility Services for review pursuant to 52 Pa. Code §3.381(c)(1)(iii).

Date: May 11, 2026

/s/
Eranda Vero
Administrative Law Judge

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