THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO

IN THE MATTER OF WALID S. DIAB, NOTICE OF APPARENT VIOLATION AND INTENT TO ASSESS FORFEITURE.

CASE NO. 20-40-TR-CVF (OH3230014749D)

ENTRY

Entered in the Journal on September 21, 2020

- {¶ 1} Staff served a notice of preliminary determination upon Walid S. Diab (Respondent) in accordance with Ohio Adm.Code 4901:2-7-07, alleging a violation of the Commission's transportation regulations.
- {¶ 2} On January 9, 2020, Respondent requested an administrative hearing in accordance with Ohio Adm.Code 4901:2-7-13.
- {¶ 3} On March 9, 2020, the governor signed Executive Order 2020-01D (Executive Order), declaring a state of emergency in Ohio to protect the well-being of Ohioans from the dangerous effects of COVID-19. As described in the Executive Order, state agencies are required to implement procedures consistent with recommendations from the Department of Health to prevent or alleviate the public health threat associated with COVID-19. Additionally, all citizens are urged to heed the advice of the Department of Health regarding this public health emergency in order to protect their health and safety.
- {¶ 4} As a result of the Executive Order, beginning March 13, 2020, the Commission reduced on-site staffing and most employees began working from home to reduce exposure to COVID-19.
- {¶ 5} By Entry dated April 14, 2020, the attorney examiner scheduled a hearing in this matter for July 28, 2020.
- {¶ 6} Due to the pandemic, by Entry dated July 2, 2020, the attorney examiner rescheduled the hearing in this matter to October 20, 2020.

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{¶ 7} Due to the continuing COVID-19 state of emergency declared by the governor in Executive Order 2020-01D, and given the passage of Am. Sub. H.B. 197, the attorney examiner finds that this hearing should be rescheduled and held remotely. By future entry, the attorney examiner will set a date for this hearing and provide additional details and instructions regarding remote access to the hearing and how to participate by telephone and/or live video on the internet.

 $\{\P 8\}$ It is, therefore,

{¶ 9} ORDERED, That the hearing scheduled for October 20, 2020, be rescheduled in accordance with Paragraph 7. It is, further,

¶ 10} ORDERED, That a copy of this Entry be served upon all parties of record.

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/s/ Anna Sanyal

By: Anna Sanyal

Attorney Examiner

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Summary: Attorney Examiner Entry rescheduling the hearing currently set for 10/20/20 to a date to be announced by subsequent entry. electronically filed by Ms. Mary E Fischer on behalf of Anna Sanyal, Attorney Examiner, Public Utilities Commission