

**BEFORE THE WASHINGTON
UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION**

In the Matter of Determining the Proper
Carrier Classification of, and Complaint
for Penalties against:

MARK ALBERTO MARRERO, D/B/A
MARK THE MOVER

DOCKET TV-190833

DECLARATION OF
BRIAN BRAUN

Brian Braun, under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of Washington, declares as follows:

1. I am employed by the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission (Commission) as a compliance investigator in the Consumer Protection Section. As a compliance investigator, my responsibilities include conducting investigations regarding the business practices of regulated utility and transportation companies. As part of those duties, I investigate household goods carriers that may be operating without the required Commission permit.
2. On April 22, 2019, I found advertisements on Craigslist for Mark the Mover, which held itself out to be a household goods moving company. The advertisement offered to provide household goods moving services within the state of Washington at a rate of \$75 for two men and a truck and provided a UBI number of 602059212 and telephone number of (425) 616-6171.¹
3. On April 22, 2019, I searched Commission records and verified that Mark Alberto Marrero, d/b/a Mark the Mover, is not a permitted household goods carrier.
4. On April 22, 2019, I searched the Washington State Department of Revenue's website using UBI number 602059212. The results produced a contact name/governing individual of Mark Alberto Marrero, with a business name of Mark the Mover, and an address of 19118 74th Ave. W., BSMT, Lynnwood, WA 98036.²
5. On April 23, 2019, a compliance letter was sent to notify Mark Marrero that Mark Alberto Marrero, d/b/a Mark the Mover, must cease and desist operations as a household goods carrier in Washington state until the company obtains the required household goods carrier permit from the Commission.³

¹ See Attachment A for a copy of Craigslist page, printed on April 22, 2019.

² See Attachment B for a copy of Dept. of Rev. record, printed on April 22, 2019.

³ See Attachment C, for a copy of the compliance letter, dated April 23, 2019.

6. On September 10, 2019, I called (425) 616-6171 using an assumed name to obtain a quote for moving services between Kent and Tacoma, Washington. A company representative who identified himself as Mark gave me a rate of \$75 per hour for two workers and a 16 foot truck.
7. On December 23, 2019, I again found advertisements on Craigslist for Mark the Mover, which held itself out to be a household goods moving company. The advertisement offered to provide household goods moving services within the state of Washington at a rate of \$75 for two men and a truck, and provided a UBI number of 602059212 and telephone number of (425) 616-6171.⁴

DATED this 13 day of January, 2020, at Lacey, Washington.

BRIAN BRAUN

⁴ See Attachment D for a copy of Craigslist page, printed on Dec. 23, 2019.