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**In the Matter of Michael Brown d/b/a Dlux Limos LLC**

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of, and Complaint for Penalties )  
Against: )  
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MICHAEL BROWN d/b/a DLUX LIMOS )  
LLC )

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4 P R O C E E D I N G S

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6 JUDGE CHARTOFF: So let's be on the record.

7 Good afternoon. My name is Laura Chartoff, and I am the  
8 administrative law judge with the Washington Utilities  
9 and Transportation Commission. I am the presiding  
10 officer for today's hearing being conducted at the  
11 Commission's headquarters in Olympia.

12 Today is Wednesday, April 11th, 2018, and  
13 the time is approximately 1:30 p.m. Today's hearing  
14 involves a total of four charter party or excursion  
15 services carriers. So the first thing we will do is  
16 take a roll call to determine which companies are  
17 present. As you can see, there is a court reporter  
18 creating a record of today's proceedings. So when I  
19 call your name, please raise your hand to identify  
20 yourself and also give a verbal response to the roll  
21 call like "here" or "present."

22 So the first docket is TE-180219, Tiger  
23 Express Shipping Corporation, doing business as Tiger  
24 Travel.

25 MS. NGUYEN: Present.

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1 JUDGE CHARTOFF: Thank you.

2 The next case is TE-180220, Carmen

3 Ceron-Garza, Garza Wine Tours.

4 MS. GARZA: Present.

5 JUDGE CHARTOFF: Thank you.

6 The next docket is TE-180210, Christene

7 Davis, Crescent Bar Charters.

8 MS. DAVIS: Present.

9 JUDGE CHARTOFF: Thank you.

10 And the fourth docket is TE-170879, Michael

11 Brown, doing business as DLux Limos LLC.

12 MR. BROWN: Here, Your Honor.

13 JUDGE CHARTOFF: So each of you are here  
14 because the Commission filed a complaint alleging that  
15 each of your companies is performing or advertising to  
16 perform work as a charter party or excursion services  
17 carrier without the required permit. The purpose of  
18 today's proceeding is to formally explain what your  
19 choices are and then hear from each of you regarding  
20 which option you wish to pursue.

21 You can choose one of two options on behalf  
22 of your company. So the first option is to cease and  
23 desist providing, offering, or advertising unpermitted  
24 charter party or excursion services. If you choose this  
25 option, you will need to demonstrate what you have done

1 to shut down your business either completely or  
2 partially to avoid further enforcement action by the  
3 Commission. The Commission is going to want to see  
4 sufficient proof that you are no longer performing  
5 unlawful services, for example, you will need to provide  
6 proof that you have taken down or changed your website  
7 or other online advertisements for your business.

8           The second option is to ask for a formal  
9 classification hearing to show why you don't need a  
10 permit. If you choose this option, you are contesting  
11 the allegations in the complaint and claim not to be  
12 conducting charter party or excursion services. For  
13 this option, we will schedule a formal hearing for a  
14 date in the near future with a deadline two to three  
15 weeks from now for both your company and the Commission  
16 Staff to declare all witnesses and file all exhibits.

17           Each of you has a right to be heard by the  
18 Commission, and I will call you up to do that  
19 individually. Commission Staff also has a right to be  
20 heard, and the Commission compliance investigator will  
21 be seated at the table to my right.

22           Now that we've gone over the general options  
23 for each of your companies, let me explain the rest of  
24 today's procedures. In a few minutes, I'll call each of  
25 your companies forward to make your choice on how to

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1 proceed. At that time, I will swear you in so that  
2 anything you tell the Court will be under oath and can  
3 be considered as sworn testimony. Once you are sworn  
4 in, I will ask if you understand your options for  
5 today's hearing and then ask you to state your  
6 preference. If there's anything else you want to  
7 explain to me, you can do so at that time.

8           In each of the complaints, Commission Staff  
9 has not only alleged that you are providing charter or  
10 excursion services without a permit, they are also  
11 seeking to have a penalty imposed. The law sets the  
12 maximum penalty for each violation at \$5,000. Staff  
13 will be making a penalty recommendation as part of any  
14 agreed order. Staff will be explaining that  
15 recommendation, but the Commission will be making the  
16 final decision about the amount of penalty to be  
17 imposed.

18           If you choose to testify about how you are  
19 getting out of the charter and excursion carrier  
20 business, I will allow you to make a statement  
21 explaining how you plan to do that. Depending on what  
22 proof you can provide, you should be able to reach an  
23 agreed order resolving this matter with Commission  
24 Staff, and you can speak to Staff about that during the  
25 recess.



1           Finally, if you choose to contest the  
2           allegations in the complaint, we will schedule another  
3           hearing for the Commission to present the necessary  
4           evidence to prove its case. If we're going to set a  
5           hearing, it would help if you know your schedule for the  
6           next month or so when we review calendars to choose a  
7           date.

8           After I hear from each of your companies, we  
9           will take a break to provide Commission Staff time to  
10          meet with each of you and prepare a final disposition of  
11          your case.

12          So I will start calling the companies now.  
13          First company is Tiger Express Shipping Corporation,  
14          d/b/a Tiger Travel and Zhongxiang Ye.

15          Oh, please sit right there and turn on the  
16          microphone.

17          So let's start with Staff. Can you please  
18          state your name and job title for the record?

19          MR. RAUB: My name is Justin Raub. I'm a  
20          compliance investigator for consumer protection. My  
21          name is Justin Raub. I'm a compliance -- or compliance  
22          investigator for consumer protection.

23          JUDGE CHARTOFF: Can you spell your last  
24          name?

25          MR. RAUB: R-a-u-b.

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1 JUDGE CHARTOFF: Thank you.

2 And you?

3 MS. NGUYEN: Good afternoon, my name is  
4 Trang Nguyen, N-g-u-y-e-n. I am making an appearance on  
5 behalf of Patrick Feldman, who is seeking a continuance  
6 of the hearing for this afternoon if that's possible.

7 JUDGE CHARTOFF: Can you repeat your first  
8 name?

9 MS. NGUYEN: Yes, it's Trang, T-r-a-n-g.

10 JUDGE CHARTOFF: And the firm you are with?

11 MS. NGUYEN: I'm with Feldman & Lee.

12 JUDGE CHARTOFF: And how do you want to  
13 proceed this morning?

14 MS. NGUYEN: I don't know. I'm just here to  
15 seek a continuance. Honestly, this is my third week on  
16 the job. I got a call yesterday saying can you cover a  
17 hearing? Just go in there and ask for a continuance.

18 JUDGE CHARTOFF: Okay. Okay. Because your  
19 firm was just retained?

20 MS. NGUYEN: I have no idea. I mean, I  
21 think I was told Patrick has a conflict and couldn't  
22 attend the meeting today.

23 JUDGE CHARTOFF: Okay.

24 MS. NGUYEN: So my only job is to come down  
25 and get another date. I apologize.

1 JUDGE CHARTOFF: Do you -- I think you -- we  
2 previously mentioned May 18th in the afternoon as a  
3 possible...

4 MS. NGUYEN: I believe Mr. Feldman will be  
5 out of the country from May 1st to May 18th, and they  
6 are hopefully requesting for any date after May 28th.

7 JUDGE CHARTOFF: Okay. I have several dates  
8 in the first week of June.

9 MS. NGUYEN: Okay.

10 JUDGE CHARTOFF: June 1, June 4. Do you  
11 have access to his calendar?

12 MS. NGUYEN: I -- let's just go with the  
13 4th. I think that will give him enough time to get up  
14 to speed again.

15 JUDGE CHARTOFF: Okay. 9:30 or 1:30?

16 MS. NGUYEN: Let's do 1:30, please.

17 JUDGE CHARTOFF: Okay. I think -- okay. I  
18 agree to do a continuance to June 4th at 1:30, and I  
19 will get a notice out to you probably tomorrow.

20 MS. NGUYEN: All right. Thank you. And I  
21 have the notice of appearance. Did the Court need this?

22 JUDGE CHARTOFF: Sure.

23 MS. NGUYEN: Okay.

24 JUDGE CHARTOFF: Thank you.

25 MS. NGUYEN: My apologies.

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1 JUDGE CHARTOFF: Okay. I'm going to call  
2 next Carmen Ceron-Garza, Garza Wine Tours.

3 THE INTERPRETER: I am the interpreter for  
4 Ms. Garza today, Your Honor, here with her husband.

5 MS. PAUL: We can get another chair. Are  
6 all three of you coming up?

7 JUDGE CHARTOFF: Let's be off the record for  
8 a minute.

9 (Pause in the proceedings.)

10 JUDGE CHARTOFF: We'll be back on the  
11 record.

12 Let's start with Staff. Please state your  
13 name and title.

14 MR. HOXIT: My name is Jason Hoxit. I'm a  
15 compliance investigator with the safety and consumer  
16 protection division. My last name is spelled  
17 H-o-x-i-t.

18 JUDGE CHARTOFF: Okay. And can you please  
19 state your first and last name?

20 MS. GARZA: Good afternoon. My name is  
21 Carmen Ceron-Garza.

22 JUDGE CHARTOFF: And your relationship to  
23 the company?

24 MS. GARZA: The company is under my name,  
25 was under my name.

1 JUDGE CHARTOFF: And do you understand  
2 your -- the options I presented earlier?

3 MS. GARZA: Yes.

4 JUDGE CHARTOFF: And do you know which way  
5 you want to proceed?

6 MS. GARZA: Yes.

7 JUDGE CHARTOFF: And how would you like to  
8 proceed?

9 MS. GARZA: We close the company, but I have  
10 to explain that Garza Tours didn't have any vehicles,  
11 and they were using the vehicles for A Plus Taxi. So  
12 then now A Plus Taxi is in the process of getting the  
13 license that we need. A Plus Taxi is my husband's  
14 company, and Garza Tours is under my name, but he was  
15 the one who was managing the company.

16 JUDGE CHARTOFF: I forgot to swear you in.  
17 So let me swear you in right now. Please stand.

18 (Carmen Ceron-Garza and Armando Garza  
19 sworn.)

20 JUDGE CHARTOFF: Thank you.

21 I'm sorry, so you were saying that you  
22 closed the company, that your husband has a company, A  
23 Plus Taxi, and that he's going to get a permit for his  
24 business; is that right?

25 MS. GARZA: Yes, that's correct, and I have

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1 the documents that the lawyer prepared for you.

2 JUDGE CHARTOFF: Okay. Thank you.

3 Let me swear you in.

4 (Jason Hoxit sworn.)

5 JUDGE CHARTOFF: Thank you.

6 Okay. Have you had a chance to verify?

7 MR. HOXIT: Yes, I verified that the Garza  
8 Wine Tours, LLC has been closed with the Department of  
9 Revenue, and Garza Wine Tours has been added to that  
10 d/b/a under A Plus Taxi, LLC, as well as the  
11 Garzawinetours.net for the company has been modified to  
12 not advertise for charter and excursion services.

13 JUDGE CHARTOFF: Okay. Okay. So we will  
14 pursue a cease and desist order today?

15 MS. GARZA: I don't understand.

16 JUDGE CHARTOFF: Oh, okay. So your options  
17 today are to either do a cease and desist order with  
18 Staff or to challenge but...

19 MS. GARZA: I'm not going to challenge.

20 JUDGE CHARTOFF: Okay. Okay. So what I'd  
21 like you to do is to stay for the recess, stay in the  
22 room for the recess until we recess and then meet with  
23 Staff, and you'll be able to -- oh, here, I will read my  
24 script. That'll make it easier. So when we take a  
25 recess, you will have the opportunity to speak with

1 Staff and see if you can agree on an order for entry.  
2 And essentially that order will say that you agree you  
3 were operating without a permit, that you advertised  
4 without a permit, and that you agree to stop operating  
5 until you get a permit should you decide to apply for  
6 one.

7 So once you are satisfied and understand all  
8 the terms of the order, you and Staff will both sign it.  
9 It will also include most likely an agreement about the  
10 amount of penalty that will be imposed. But if not, you  
11 can make your case about why the penalty should be  
12 different than what Staff is recommending.

13 MS. GARZA: Okay. I'm going to sit here to  
14 negotiate, then.

15 JUDGE CHARTOFF: Okay, good. Okay. Thank  
16 you. So for now, you can return to your seat and then  
17 at -- when we recess, you can speak with Staff.

18 MS. GARZA: Thank you.

19 JUDGE CHARTOFF: Okay. I'm going to call  
20 now Christene Davis, Crescent Bar Charters LLC.

21 Okay. And please state your name and title  
22 for the record.

23 MS. PAUL: I'm Susie Paul. My last name is  
24 P-a-u-l, and I'm a compliance investigator with consumer  
25 protection.

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1 JUDGE CHARTOFF: Thank you.

2 And for the company?

3 MS. DAVIS: I'm Christene Davis with  
4 Crescent Bar Charters.

5 JUDGE CHARTOFF: Okay.

6 MR. DAVIS: She's listed as the owner, but  
7 I'm her husband, Troy Davis, and I pretty much do the  
8 day-to-day work for the company.

9 JUDGE CHARTOFF: Okay. And I would like all  
10 three of you to stand up.

11 (Christene Davis, Troy Davis, and Susie  
12 Paul sworn.)

13 JUDGE CHARTOFF: Thank you.

14 Okay. So do you understand what I talked  
15 about earlier, the options?

16 MS. DAVIS: Yes.

17 JUDGE CHARTOFF: And do you have a  
18 preference on how you would like to proceed?

19 MR. DAVIS: Yes, we would like to suspend  
20 our -- and then we've already reapplied for a new  
21 permit. So we've suspended our advertising already and  
22 hopefully complied. I hope Susie's verified that. I've  
23 been communicating with her via email as much as  
24 possible, so then we would like to reapply, which we've  
25 already done.



1 JUDGE CHARTOFF: Okay. And you want --  
2 would you like to pursue the cease and desist order and  
3 negotiate with Staff on the penalty?

4 MR. DAVIS: Yes.

5 JUDGE CHARTOFF: Okay. And did you hear the  
6 paragraph I went through where I talked about the  
7 recess?

8 MR. DAVIS: Yes, yes.

9 JUDGE CHARTOFF: Would you like me to repeat  
10 it?

11 MR. DAVIS: No, you don't need to.

12 JUDGE CHARTOFF: Great. Okay. So yeah,  
13 stick around, return to your seat, and wait for -- to  
14 talk to Staff at the recess.

15 MR. DAVIS: Okay. Thank you.

16 JUDGE CHARTOFF: Thank you.

17 Okay. The last is Michael Brown, doing  
18 business as DLux Limos LLC.

19 Okay. So starting with Staff, please state  
20 your name and job title, spelling your last name for the  
21 record.

22 MR. TURCOTT: Good afternoon, Your Honor.  
23 It's Michael Turcott, T-u-r-c-o-t-t, compliance  
24 investigator in consumer protection.

25 JUDGE CHARTOFF: Thank you.

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1 And company?

2 MR. BROWN: DLux Limos.

3 JUDGE CHARTOFF: And your first and last  
4 name, spelling your last name?

5 MR. BROWN: Yes, ma'am. Michael Brown, DLux  
6 Limos, B-r-o-w-n.

7 JUDGE CHARTOFF: And you're the owner?

8 MR. BROWN: Yes, ma'am.

9 JUDGE CHARTOFF: Okay. So let me swear you  
10 in, both of you.

11 (Michael Brown and Michael Turcott  
12 sworn.)

13 JUDGE CHARTOFF: Thank you.

14 So did you hear the options --

15 MR. BROWN: Yes, ma'am.

16 JUDGE CHARTOFF: -- I said earlier?

17 Do you understand?

18 MR. BROWN: Yes, ma'am.

19 JUDGE CHARTOFF: Do you have a preference on  
20 how you want to proceed?

21 MR. BROWN: Cease and desist and speak with  
22 Staff.

23 JUDGE CHARTOFF: Okay. Do you need -- do  
24 you have any -- I assume you're -- you have no objection  
25 to a cease and desist order?

1 MR. TURCOTT: No, Your Honor. No  
2 objections.

3 JUDGE CHARTOFF: Okay. So did you hear --

4 MR. BROWN: Yes, ma'am.

5 JUDGE CHARTOFF: -- the directions?

6 Okay. Great. Do you have any questions?

7 MR. BROWN: No.

8 JUDGE CHARTOFF: Okay.

9 MR. BROWN: We're all set.

10 JUDGE CHARTOFF: So please return to your  
11 seat and wait to speak with Staff at the recess.

12 MR. BROWN: Thank you, Your Honor.

13 JUDGE CHARTOFF: So at this point, we're  
14 going to take a recess, and as soon as you have a chance  
15 to review the cease and desist orders and language with  
16 Staff, there will be some negotiation about the penalty.  
17 It may be nominal depending on the history of your  
18 company or there may be a reason that Staff asked for a  
19 larger penalty; for example, if you have appeared here  
20 before or have previously held a household goods per --  
21 previously held an excursion or charter party carrier  
22 permit with the Commission.

23 Typically, a portion of the penalty is  
24 suspended, which is meant to deter you from future  
25 illegal operations. So you may pay a portion today and

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1 the remaining portion does not become payable unless you  
2 violate the order. Then after the recess, we will call  
3 each of you back up, make sure you understand the order,  
4 and I will sign it on the record today, and then you  
5 will leave with a copy of it.

6 So is there anything else before we take a  
7 break? Okay. All right. We are at recess. Thank you.

8 (Recess taken from 1:56 p.m. to 3:08  
9 p.m.)

10 JUDGE CHARTOFF: We will be on the record.  
11 I understand the cease and desist orders have been  
12 explained and presented to each company, so I will call  
13 you back up one at a time in the order we went in  
14 before. So first I will call Carmen Ceron-Garza, Garza  
15 Wine Tours. Please come back up.

16 Ms. Ceron-Garza, did you have a chance to  
17 walk through the multipage order?

18 MS. GARZA: Yes, my husband is going to talk  
19 to you regarding the agreement that we talk about with  
20 the Staff.

21 JUDGE CHARTOFF: Is your microphone on?

22 MR. GARZA: I'm Armando Garza, Carmen's  
23 husband. The agreement that we came up with is that my  
24 wife has dissolved the company and in turn, I have  
25 submitted a request to have Garza Wine Tours put on as a

1 trade name for A Plus Taxi, working as A Plus Taxi. And  
2 I think we've complied with everything that we have to  
3 as far as getting all the proper registrations and so  
4 forth and blah, blah, blah, concerning the vehicle that  
5 we want to use. And the only thing that I'm waiting on  
6 right now would be proper insurance coverage. So  
7 anyways, he's got the declarations for both my wife and  
8 I.

9 JUDGE CHARTOFF: Okay.

10 MR. GARZA: And I think maybe he can explain  
11 it better than I can.

12 MR. HOXIT: Your Honor, Staff would like to  
13 enter in CCG-1 and AG-1 as exhibits. CCG-1 is a  
14 declaration of Carmen Ceron-Garza and AG-1 is a  
15 declaration of Armando Garza, Jr.

16 JUDGE CHARTOFF: Okay. Thank you. And  
17 there's no objection?

18 MR. HOXIT: No objections, Your Honor.

19 JUDGE CHARTOFF: So I will admit these  
20 exhibits marked as AG-1 and CCG-1.

21 (Exhibits AG-1 and CCG-1 admitted.)

22 JUDGE CHARTOFF: Thank you.

23 So I'm just going to talk about the  
24 stipulated order to make sure you understand the order.  
25 So for the record, it says that Garza Wine Tours admits

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1 it conducted operations without the required certificate  
2 and that it also advertised to operate as a charter  
3 party or excursion service carrier without -- on at  
4 least one occasion. And a \$5,000 penalty is being  
5 imposed, 4,500 of the penalty is suspended for a period  
6 of two years and waived thereafter provided the business  
7 refrains permanently from operations as a charter party  
8 or excursion carrier in the state of Washington.

9           The remainder of the penalty is payable  
10 according to the schedule in Appendix A, which shows  
11 \$150 today and payments monthly thereafter, and that you  
12 agree to cease and desist operations as a charter party  
13 and excursion carrier.

14           I just need to go over a couple more things.  
15 The order to cease and desist is permanent, meaning it  
16 does not expire. So even after the two-year period of  
17 the suspended penalty, if Staff discovers you are still  
18 operating, Staff can go straight to superior court and  
19 seek enforcement of this order, which will include  
20 significant additional penalties. So there is a strong  
21 incentive for you to comply with the law. And with  
22 regard to the payment schedule, if you miss a payment,  
23 the entire amount, including the \$4,500, will become due  
24 and payable immediately. So if for some reason you're  
25 going to be late making a payment, you will need to

1 contact Staff and make arrangements. Failing to contact  
2 Staff will ensure that the entire penalty is imposed.  
3 Do you understand that?

4 MR. GARZA: Yes.

5 MS. GARZA: Yes.

6 JUDGE CHARTOFF: Do you understand legally  
7 what you can and can't do?

8 MS. GARZA: Yes.

9 MR. GARZA: Yes, a little bit more than what  
10 I did before, yes.

11 JUDGE CHARTOFF: Okay. And remember that  
12 Commission Staff is always available to assist you if  
13 you have any questions. The Commission's goal is  
14 compliance. Are there any additional questions?

15 MR. HOXIT: Not from Staff.

16 MR. GARZA: No.

17 JUDGE CHARTOFF: Okay. Then I will sign the  
18 order. Okay. And Staff will make a copy for you and  
19 then you are free to go.

20 MS. GARZA: Thank you so much.

21 JUDGE CHARTOFF: Thank you.

22 MR. GARZA: Thank you.

23 JUDGE CHARTOFF: So I will next call  
24 Christene Davis, Crescent Bar Charters.

25 Okay. So, Ms. Davis, did you have a chance

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1 to walk through the order?

2 MS. DAVIS: Yes.

3 JUDGE CHARTOFF: And did you understand all  
4 the pages?

5 MS. DAVIS: I do.

6 JUDGE CHARTOFF: Okay. And I see you and  
7 Staff have both signed the order.

8 MS. DAVIS: Mm-hmm.

9 JUDGE CHARTOFF: And it looks like you have  
10 admitted that you conducted operations in the state  
11 after the cancellation or revocation of the required  
12 certificate?

13 MS. DAVIS: Yes.

14 JUDGE CHARTOFF: And the company offered to  
15 provide charter party or excursion services on at least  
16 one occasion and also advertised to operate as a charter  
17 party or excursion service in the state of Washington.

18 MS. DAVIS: Yes.

19 JUDGE CHARTOFF: Okay. And -- let's see,  
20 and Crescent Bar will immediately cease and desist  
21 operations as a charter party excursion service carrier?

22 MS. DAVIS: Yes.

23 JUDGE CHARTOFF: And assessed a penalty of  
24 \$5,000. \$1,500 is suspended for a period of two years.

25 MS. DAVIS: Yes.



1 JUDGE CHARTOFF: And the remainder of the  
2 penalty is due and payable...

3 MS. DAVIS: We paid it. We paid our due.

4 JUDGE CHARTOFF: Oh, okay. There's a -- the  
5 order says according to the schedule in Appendix A. So  
6 I'm going to just cross that out.

7 MS. PAUL: Okay. Yes, there was no payment  
8 plan. They made the payment today.

9 JUDGE CHARTOFF: Okay. Okay. And did you  
10 hear -- I'll just repeat this quickly. The order to  
11 cease and desist is permanent, meaning it does not  
12 expire. So even after the two years of the suspended  
13 penalty, when that has run, if Staff discovers you are  
14 still operating, Staff can go straight to superior court  
15 to seek enforcement of the order which will include  
16 significant additional penalties.

17 MR. DAVIS: That's unless we obtain a new  
18 permit, correct?

19 JUDGE CHARTOFF: Yes.

20 MR. DAVIS: Thank you.

21 JUDGE CHARTOFF: Yes. Oh, so you paid the  
22 penalty in full. Oh, wait. Right. So you paid the  
23 penalty in full so no payment plan. Okay. And do you  
24 understand legally what you can and can't do?

25 MR. DAVIS: Yes.

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1 JUDGE CHARTOFF: Okay. I will go ahead and  
2 sign this. Okay. We will get you a copy and you're  
3 free to go.

4 MS. DAVIS: Thank you.

5 MR. DAVIS: Thank you, Your Honor.

6 JUDGE CHARTOFF: And Michael Brown?

7 MR. BROWN: Yes, ma'am.

8 JUDGE CHARTOFF: Okay. So you had a chance  
9 to walk through the order?

10 MR. BROWN: Yes, ma'am.

11 JUDGE CHARTOFF: And do you understand all  
12 five pages?

13 MR. BROWN: Yes, ma'am.

14 JUDGE CHARTOFF: Okay. And I see that you  
15 and Staff have signed it.

16 MR. BROWN: Yes, ma'am.

17 JUDGE CHARTOFF: Okay. And you have  
18 admitted that DLux Limos has conducted operations in the  
19 state of Washington without the required certificate.

20 MR. BROWN: Yes, ma'am.

21 JUDGE CHARTOFF: And offered to provide  
22 charter party or excursion service carrier services on  
23 at least one occasion and also advertised to operate  
24 charter party or excursion services on at least one  
25 occasion?

1 MR. BROWN: Yes, ma'am.

2 JUDGE CHARTOFF: Okay. And you have been  
3 assessed a penalty of \$5,000. 3,500 of the penalty is  
4 suspended?

5 MR. BROWN: Yes, ma'am.

6 JUDGE CHARTOFF: Okay. And the remainder of  
7 the penalty --

8 MR. BROWN: Paid in full.

9 JUDGE CHARTOFF: Oh, that has been paid in  
10 full, okay.

11 Is that correct?

12 MR. TURCOTT: Yes, ma'am.

13 JUDGE CHARTOFF: Okay.

14 MR. TURCOTT: Yes, Your Honor.

15 JUDGE CHARTOFF: Again, I'm just crossing  
16 out subject of schedule on Appendix A. Since it's a  
17 typo, I think it's -- we don't need to resign. And do  
18 you understand the order to cease and desist is  
19 permanent?

20 MR. BROWN: Yes, ma'am. Until further  
21 licenses are in place?

22 JUDGE CHARTOFF: Right, unless you have a  
23 license in place.

24 MR. BROWN: Yes, ma'am.

25 JUDGE CHARTOFF: Okay. And you understand

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1     legally what you can and can't do?

2                     MR. BROWN:   Yes, ma'am.

3                     JUDGE CHARTOFF:   Okay.   Any additional  
4     questions?   Okay.   I will sign it.   We'll get you a copy  
5     and you will be free to go.

6                     MR. BROWN:   Thank you, Your Honor.

7                     JUDGE CHARTOFF:   Thank you.   Okay.   And we  
8     are adjourned.

9                                     (Adjourned at 3:24 p.m.)

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