



STATE OF ALABAMA
ALABAMA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
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ORDER APPOINTING EXAMINERS OR HEARING OFFICERS

Matters that arise under the Alabama Motor Carrier Act that require a hearing "shall be heard and decided by the commission or shall, by written order of the commission, be referred to a member or examiner of the commission for hearing and the recommendation of an appropriate order thereon." Ala. Code § 37-3-9.

IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED BY THE COMMISSION, That the following named employees of the Commission:

Luke D. Bentley IV, Acting Chief Administrative Law Judge
V. Chad Mason, Jr., Administrative Law Judge

all being duly qualified, are hereby appointed as Examiners, and all matters arising in the administration of the Alabama Motor Carrier Act requiring hearing are hereby referred to such employees, or either of them, for hearing and the recommendation of an appropriate order thereon, and this appointment and referral shall be effective in all such matters arising under the above statute whether or not a majority of the Commission is present, subject to the Commission itself, or a member thereon, acting as Examiner or Hearing Officer in any case where it so directs; and

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, That this action is also subject to the condition that in any case where a majority of the Commission is present at the taking of testimony, it will not be necessary that the Examiner issue and file a report and recommended order and in such cases the Commission under the law may issue its final report and order without a recommendation of the examiner, but in all such cases a report and recommended order may be issued if directed by the Commission; and

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, That as to all hearings covered hereby said Examiners/Administrative Law Judges shall have all authority provided by law and in addition they are authorized to rule upon all motions, pleadings and objections except those which would have the effect of finally disposing of a given case.

DATED at Montgomery, Alabama, this 10th day of April, 2026.

ALABAMA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

Cynthia Lee Almond, President

Jeremy H. Oden, Commissioner

Chris V. Beeker III, Commissioner

ATTEST: A True Copy

Devon D. Beaty, Acting Secretary