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2	DEPARTMENT OF STATE	
3	BUREAU OF PROFESSIONAL AND OCCUPATIONAL AFFAIRS	
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5	FINAL MINUTES	
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7	MEETING OF:	
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9	STATE BOARD OF VEHICLE MANUFACTURERS,	
10	DEALERS, AND SALESPERSONS	
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12	TIME: 10:30 A.M.	
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14	Held at	
15	PENNSYLVANIA DEPARTMENT OF STATE	
16	2525 North 7th Street	
17	CoPA HUB, Eaton Conference Room	
18	Harrisburg, Pennsylvania 17110	
19	as well as	
20	VIA MICROSOFT TEAMS	
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22	September 4, 2024	
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# State Board of Vehicle Manufacturers, Dealers, and Salespersons September 4, 2024

## BOARD MEMBERS:

Kirk A. Davis, Chairman Irving Stein, Secretary Arion R. Claggett, Acting Commissioner, Bureau of Professional and Occupational Affairs Mark W. Wolfe, Deputy Attorney General, Attorney General Representative Angel Layton, Department of Transportation Representative Mark Baer, Professional Member Joseph Bizzarro, Professional Member - Absent Steve T. Fretz, Professional Member - Absent Daniel Limongelli, Professional Member Dale J. Yingst, Professional Member William Heeney, Public Member 

#### BUREAU PERSONNEL:

Shana M. Walter, Esquire, Acting Senior Board Counsel Paul J. Jarabeck, Esquire, Senior Board Prosecutor Timothy J. Henderson, Esquire, Board Prosecution Liaison

Denice M. Szekely, Esquire, Board Prosecutor Sarah E. Buhite, Esquire, Board Prosecutor James P. Kushlan, Board Administrator Jason C. Giurintano, Deputy Chief Counsel, Counsel Division, Department of State

## ALSO PRESENT:

Brian Murren, Esquire, Assistant General Counsel, Pennsylvania Automotive Association Allison Walker, Sargent's Court Reporting Service, Inc.

\* \* \* 1 2 State Board of Vehicle Manufacturers, 3 Dealers, and Salespersons September 4, 2024 4 \* \* \* 5 6 [Pursuant to Section 708(a)(5) of the Sunshine Act, 7 at 9:00 a.m. the Board entered into Executive Session with Shana M. Walter, Esquire, Acting Senior Board Counsel, for the purpose of conducting quasi-judicial 10 deliberations and to receive the advice of counsel. The Board returned to open session at 10:30 a.m.] 11 \* \* \* 12 13 The regularly scheduled meeting of the State 14 Board of Vehicle Manufacturers, Dealers, and 15 Salespersons was held on Wednesday, September 4, 16 2024. Kirk A. Davis, Chairman, Professional Member, 17 called the meeting to order at 10:30 a.m. 18 Angel Layton, Department of Transportation 19 Representative, was not present at the commencement 20 of the meeting. \* \* \* 21 22 Roll Call/Introduction of Attendees 23 [Chairman Davis requested a roll call of Board

members and introduction of attendees. A quorum of

Board members was present.]

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4 1 2 Approval of minutes of the July 9, 2024 meeting 3 CHAIRMAN DAVIS: 4 The first item on the agenda is the 5 minutes from the last meeting on July 9. 6 7 Do we have a motion to approve those minutes? 8 9 MR. STEIN: 10 I will make a motion to approve the 11 minutes. MR. YINGST: 12 13 I second the motion. 14 CHAIRMAN DAVIS: 15 Roll call. 16 17 Irving Stein, aye; Arion Claggett, aye; 18 Mark Wolfe, aye; Mark Baer, aye; Dan 19 Limongelli, aye; Dale Yingst, aye; 20 William Heeney, aye; Kirk Davis, aye. 21 [The motion carried unanimously.] 22 23 [Jason C. Giurintano, Deputy Chief Counsel, Counsel 24 Division, Department of State, introduced himself and 25 provided a brief summary of his professional

5 1 background.] \* \* \* 2 3 [Shana M. Walter, Esquire, Acting Senior Board 4 Counsel, noted the meeting was being recorded and 5 voluntary participation constituted consent to be recorded. 1 6 7 \* \* \* 8 Report of Prosecutorial Division [Timothy J. Henderson, Esquire, Board Prosecution 10 Liaison, presented the Consent Agreement for Case No. 22-60-004544.] 11 \* \* \* 12 13 [Denice M. Szekely, Esquire, Board Prosecutor, 14 presented the Consent Agreement for Case No. 22-60-15 010380.] 16 17 [Paul J. Jarabeck, Esquire, Senior Board Prosecutor, 18 presented the Consent Agreement for Case No. 20-60-19 011211.1 20 MS. WALTER: 21 I believe the Board would entertain a 22 motion to accept the Consent Agreements 23 at numbers 2 and 4 on the agenda. 24 Number 2 is Case No. 22-60-004544, and number 4 is Case No. 20-60-011211. 25

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   CHAIRMAN DAVIS:
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   MR. STEIN:
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                  I will make a motion to approve as
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                  presented.
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                  I second the motion.
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   CHAIRMAN DAVIS:
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                  Roll call.
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                  Irving Stein, aye; Arion Claggett, aye;
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                  Mark Wolfe, aye; Angel Layton, aye;
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                  Mark Baer, aye; Dan Limongelli, aye;
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                  Dale Yingst, aye; William Heeney, aye;
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                  Kirk Davis, aye.
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   [The motion carried unanimously. The Respondent's
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   name at number 2 is Benjamin F. Glass.
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   Respondent's name at number 4 is Kevin T. Albright.]
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   MS. WALTER:
                  I believe the Board would entertain a
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                  motion to reject as too lenient the
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                  Consent Agreement at number 3, Case No.
                  22-60-010380.
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   CHAIRMAN DAVIS:
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                  Do we have a motion?
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   MR. STEIN:
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                  I will make the motion.
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   MR. YINGST:
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                  I second the motion.
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   CHAIRMAN DAVIS:
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                  Roll call.
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                  Irving Stein, aye; Arion Claggett, aye;
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                  Mark Wolfe, no; Angel Layton, aye; Mark
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                  Baer, aye; Dan Limongelli, aye; Dale
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                  Yingst, aye; William Heeney, aye; Kirk
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                  Davis, aye.
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    [The motion carried. Mark Wolfe opposed the motion.]
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   [Shana M. Walter, Esquire, Acting Senior Board
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   Counsel, noted the Board entered into Executive
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   Session this morning for the purpose of conducting
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   quasi-judicial deliberations and to receive the
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   advice of counsel.]
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   Report of Board Counsel - Status of Cases
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   [Shana M. Walter, Esquire, Acting Senior Board
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   Counsel, informed Board members of her position as
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   Acting Counsel for the Board at this time.
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8 provided a Status of Cases Report as of July 2, 2024, 1 2 for the Board's review. She informed Board members 3 that the report will be updated for the October 4 meeting.] \* \* \* 5 6 Report of Board Counsel - Motions to Deem Facts 7 Admitted (MDFA) 8 MS. WALTER: 9 Numbers 6 and 7 on the agenda are 10 Motions to Deem Facts Admitted. I believe the Board would entertain 11 12 a motion to grant the Motions to Deem 13 Facts Admitted and direct Board Counsel 14 to draft a Final Adjudication and Order 15 consistent with Executive Session 16 deliberations in the matters of numbers 17 6 and 7 on the agenda. 18 Number 6 is Brian J. Marchini, Case 19 No. 21-60-000213. Number 7 is Kurtis 20 Kofi Danquah DBA Ultra Ridez, LLC, Case No. 20-60-007808. 21 22 CHAIRMAN DAVIS: 23 Do we have a motion? 24 MR. STEIN: 25 I will make the motion.

9 1 MR. YINGST: 2 I second the motion. 3 CHAIRMAN DAVIS: Roll call. 4 5 6 Irving Stein, aye; Arion Claggett, aye; 7 Mark Wolfe, aye; Angel Layton, aye; Mark Baer, aye; Dan Limongelli, aye; 9 Dale Yingst, aye; William Heeney, aye; 10 Kirk Davis, aye. 11 [The motion carried unanimously.] 12 13 Report of Board Counsel - Final Adjudications 14 MS. WALTER: 15 I believe the Board would entertain a 16 motion to issue the Final Adjudications 17 and Orders of the following agenda 18 items: Number 8, Bryan A. Green, Case 19 No. 18-60-03338; number 9, Daniel A. 20 Pikel, Case No. 19-60-016610; number 21 10, Gary A. Deem, Case No. 19-60-22 016767; number 11, American Tire & 23 Auto, Case No. 20-60-009944; number 12, Diana Zapata, Case No. 20-60-014435. 24 25 CHAIRMAN DAVIS:

10 Do we have a motion? 1 2 MR. STEIN: 3 I will make the motion. 4 MR. YINGST: 5 I second the motion. 6 CHAIRMAN DAVIS: 7 Roll call. 8 9 Irving Stein, aye; Arion Claggett, aye; 10 Mark Wolfe, aye; Angel Layton, aye; 11 Mark Baer, aye; Dan Limongelli, aye; 12 Dale Yingst, aye; William Heeney, aye; 13 Kirk Davis, aye. 14 [The motion carried unanimously.] 15 16 Report of Board Counsel - Proposed Adjudications MS. WALTER: 17 18 Number 13 on the agenda is the Proposed 19 Adjudication and Order prepared by the 20 hearing examiner in the matter of Dean 21 Michael Lake, Case No. 20-60-007717. 22 I believe the Board would entertain 23 a motion to adopt the Proposed 24 Adjudication and Order and direct Board 25 Counsel to substitute the Final Board

11 Order consistent with Executive Session 1 2 deliberations. 3 CHAIRMAN DAVIS: 4 Do we have a motion? MR. STEIN: 5 I will make the motion. 6 7 MR. YINGST: 8 I second the motion. 9 CHAIRMAN DAVIS: 10 Roll call. 11 12 Irving Stein, aye; Arion Claggett, aye; 13 Mark Wolfe, aye; Angel Layton, aye; 14 Mark Baer, aye; Dan Limongelli, aye; 15 Dale Yingst, aye; William Heeney, aye; 16 Kirk Davis, aye. [The motion carried unanimously.] 17 \* \* \* 18 19 Report of Board Counsel - Appeal for Reinstatement MS. WALTER: 20 21 Number 14 in the matter of Appeal for 22 Reinstatement of a License to Practice 23 as a Salesperson of Kyle K. 24 Heidlebaugh, Case No. 22-60-017810. 25 I believe the Board would entertain

12 a motion to direct Board Counsel to 1 2 issue a Final Adjudication and Order 3 consistent with Executive Session deliberations. 4 5 CHAIRMAN DAVIS: Do we have a motion? 6 7 MR. STEIN: 8 I will make the motion. 9 MR. YINGST: 10 I second the motion. 11 CHAIRMAN DAVIS: Roll call. 12 13 14 Irving Stein, aye; Arion Claggett, nay; 15 Mark Wolfe, no; Angel Layton, no; Mark 16 Baer, aye; Dan Limongelli, aye; Dale 17 Yingst, aye; William Heeney, aye; Kirk 18 Davis, aye. 19 [The motion carried. Arion Claggett, Mark Wolfe, and 20 Angel Layton opposed the motion.] \* \* \* 21 22 Report of Board Counsel - Expired Probationary 23 License Offers MS. WALTER: 24

Number 15 on the agenda is the

Probationary License Offer issued to Jasmine D. Seals at Case No. 24-60-009036.

Ms. Seals accepted the probation offer and her license has been granted subject to the period of probation previously approved by the Board, so that matter has moved.

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Numbers 16 and 17 on the agenda, the Applications of <u>Kailyne D. Thomas</u>, Case No. 24-60-009037 and <u>Athena L. Tompai</u>, Case No. 24-60-009042.

I believe the Board would entertain a motion to provisionally deny the Application for <u>Kailyne D. Thomas</u> and Athena L. Tompai.

#### 19 CHAIRMAN DAVIS:

Do we have a motion?

#### 21 MR. STEIN:

I will make the motion.

#### 23 MR. YINGST:

I second the motion.

#### 25 | CHAIRMAN DAVIS:

14 Roll call. 1 2 3 Irving Stein, aye; Arion Claggett, aye; 4 Mark Wolfe, aye; Angel Layton, aye; 5 Mark Baer, aye; Dan Limongelli, aye; 6 Dale Yingst, aye; William Heeney, aye; 7 Kirk Davis, aye. 8 [The motion carried unanimously.] 9 10 Application Review - Applications with Criminal 11 Convictions MS. WALTER: 12 13 Number 20 on the agenda, Eric E. 14 Hoffman. The Application was 15 erroneously on the agenda. There is no 16 need for a vote on that item. \* \* \* 17 18 MS. WALTER: 19 Number 21. I believe the Board would 20 entertain a motion to provisionally 21 deny the Application of Jamall Lewis, 22 Application No. AA0005584426. 23 CHAIRMAN DAVIS: 24 Do we have a motion? 25 MR. STEIN:

15 I will make the motion. 1 2 MR. YINGST: 3 I second the motion. 4 CHAIRMAN DAVIS: 5 Roll call. 6 7 Irving Stein, aye; Arion Claggett, aye; Mark Wolfe, aye; Angel Layton, aye; 9 Mark Baer, aye; Dan Limongelli, aye; 10 Dale Yingst, aye; William Heeney, aye; 11 Kirk Davis, aye. 12 [The motion carried unanimously.] 13 \* \* \* 14 MS. WALTER: 15 I believe the Board would entertain a 16 motion to offer a license on probation 17 to Ryan Price, Application No. AA0005557271, at number 22 on the 18 19 agenda. 20 CHAIRMAN DAVIS: 21 Do we have a motion? 22 MR. STEIN: 23 I will make the motion. 24 MR. YINGST: 25 I second the motion.

16 CHAIRMAN DAVIS: 1 Roll call. 2 3 4 Irving Stein, aye; Arion Claggett, aye; 5 Mark Wolfe, aye; Angel Layton, aye; 6 Mark Baer, aye; Dan Limongelli, aye; 7 Dale Yingst, aye; William Heeney, aye; 8 Kirk Davis, aye. 9 [The motion carried unanimously.] 10 11 MS. WALTER: I believe the Board would entertain a 12 13 motion to grant the Applications at 14 numbers 23 through 26 on the agenda. 15 Number 23 is Zyairrea Walls, Application No. AA0005550207; number 16 24, Zachary Cribbs, Application No. 17 18 AA0005536795; number 25, Francis X. 19 Heron Jr., Application No. 20 AA0005538709; and 26, Michael S. Bugs, 21 Application No. AA0005275855. 22 CHAIRMAN DAVIS: 23 Do we have a motion? 24 MR. STEIN: 25 I will make the motion.

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                  Mark Wolfe, aye; Angel Layton, aye;
                  Mark Baer, aye; Dan Limongelli, aye;
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                  Dale Yingst, aye; William Heeney, aye;
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                  Kirk Davis, aye.
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   [The motion carried unanimously.]
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   Report of Board Counsel - Miscellaneous
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   [Shana M. Walter, Esquire, Acting Senior Board
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   Counsel, referred to the document provided by the
   Office of Attorney General that was published in the
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   Pennsylvania Bulletin related to automotive industry
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   practice.
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        Mr. Wolfe explained that the amendments are to
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   the automotive industry trade practices regulations
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   promulgated pursuant to the Unfair Trade Practices
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   and Consumer Protection Law effective Monday, August
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   19, 2024. He stated the definition of advertisement
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   had been amended to include electronic means.
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Mr. Wolfe referred to \$301.2(5), which was an

existing provision that required a motor vehicle dealer to disclose if they knew or should know that the following six conditions were present in the motor vehicle, including frame bent, cracked, or twisted; engine block or head cracked; vehicle unable to pass state inspection; transmission damaged, defective, or so deteriorated as to require replacement; vehicle flood damaged; and differential damaged, defective, or so deteriorated as to require replacement. He reported § 301.2(5) was amended to require those disclosures to be made in writing.

Mr. Wolfe noted § 301.2(5.1) was added to the advertising requirements that requires a certified inspection mechanic designated by the selling motor vehicle dealer inspect a motor vehicle not more than 30 days after the vehicles comes into inventory.

Mr. Wolfe explained that the language "inspect" as it is used in this section is meant in its ordinary sense and not to convey or connote a Pennsylvania Department of Transportation (PennDOT) inspection but inspecting for the six conditions.

Mr. Wolfe noted subsection (b) is an additional look for certain vehicles that accumulate 500 or more miles while in inventory to look over the vehicle not more than 30 days prior to sale for all conditions

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1 listed in § 301.2(5). He also noted exemptions
2 include sale of a vehicle to another dealer pursuant
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- 3 to a vehicle option license, cars bearing
- 4 certificates of salvage or nonrepairable certificates
- 5 or both, and vehicles located outside the
- 6 | Commonwealth at all times during which they are
- 7 advertised for sale.
- 8 Mr. Wolfe noted (9.1) was added to § 301.4
- 9 clarifying that a car being sold "AS IS" would still
- 10 be subject to the advertising and disclosure
- 11 requirements of § 301.2(5) related to the disclosures
- 12 of the six conditions, where the consumer still must
- 13 be told in writing of those conditions.
- 14 Mr. Wolfe stated the Office of Attorney General's
- 15 current priority is education but cannot provide
- 16 legal advice. He encouraged anyone with questions to
- 17 | contact him. He also mentioned that the Pennsylvania
- 18 Automotive Association (PAA) has also been
- 19 | instrumental in helping craft this regulation.]
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- 21 Report of Board Chairman No Report
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- 23 Report of Acting Commissioner No Report
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- 25 Report of Board Administrator

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   [James P. Kushlan, Board Administrator, reported the
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   administering of license applications is going well.]
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   Report of Board Administrator - Scheduled Board
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     Meeting Dates
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   [Kirk A. Davis, Chairman, Professional Member, noted
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   upcoming Board meeting dates are on the agenda.
   again encouraged Board members to notify Mr. Kushlan
   as soon as possible if they have a conflict with any
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   of the meeting dates.]
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   Adjournment
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   CHAIRMAN DAVIS:
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                  Do we have a motion for adjournment?
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   MR. STEIN:
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                  I make a motion.
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   CHAIRMAN DAVIS:
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                  We are adjourned.
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   [The State Board of Vehicle Manufacturers, Dealers,
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   and Salespersons Meeting adjourned at 10:56 a.m.]
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### CERTIFICATE

I hereby certify that the foregoing summary minutes of the State Board of Vehicle Manufacturers, Dealers and Salespersons meeting, was reduced to writing by me or under my supervision, and that the minutes accurately summarize the substance of the State Board of Vehicle Manufacturers, Dealers and Salespersons meeting.

Allison Walker,

Minute Clerk

Sargent's Court Reporting
Service, Inc.

# STATE BOARD OF VEHICLE MANUFACTURERS, DEALERS, AND SALESPERSONS REFERENCE INDEX

## September 4, 2024

1 2 3	STATE	BOARD OF VEHICLE MANUFACTURERS, DEALERS, AND SALESPERSONS REFERENCE INDEX
2 3 4 5 6 7 8		September 4, 2024
8 9	TIME	AGENDA
10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17	9:00 10:30	Executive Session Return to Open Session
	10:30	Official Call to Order
	10:30	Roll Call/Introduction of Attendees
	10:35	Approval of Minutes
19	10:37	Report of Prosecutorial Division
20 21 22 23	10:41	Report of Board Counsel
	10:47	Application Review
24 25	10:49	Report of Board Counsel (cont.)
26 27	10:55	Report of Board Administrator
28 29 30 31 32	10:56	Adjournment