## State Board of Vehicle Manufacturers, Dealers, and Salespersons April 6, 2021

## BOARD MEMBERS:

Dan G. Murphy III, Chairman Kirk A. Davis, Vice Chairman

Theodore Stauffer, Executive Secretary, Bureau of Professional and Occupational Affairs, on behalf of K. Kalonji Johnson, Commissioner, Bureau of Professional and Occupational Affairs

Randall Derr, Professional Member

Mark Wolfe, Office of Attorney General, Consumer Protection Representative

Steve T. Fretz, Professional Member

18 Angel Layton, Department of Transportation 19 Representative

George F. Mermon, Professional Member

William M. Mohler, Professional Member - Absent Dale J. Yingst, Professional Member

## BUREAU PERSONNEL:

C. William Fritz II, Esquire, Board Counsel Colby B. Widdowson, Esquire, Board Prosecution Liaison Kayla R. Bolan, Esquire, Board Prosecutor Janice Cline, Board Administrator

3 \* \* \* 1 2 State Board of Vehicle Manufacturers, 3 Dealers, and Salespersons 4 April 6, 2021 \* \* \* 5 6 [Pursuant to Section 708(a)(5) of the Sunshine Act, at 9:00 a.m. the Board entered into Executive Session with C. William Fritz II, Esquire, Board Counsel, for the purpose of conducting quasi-judicial 10 deliberations. The Board returned to open session at 11 10:30 a.m.] \* \* \* 12 13 The regularly scheduled meeting of the State 14 Board of Vehicle Manufacturers, Dealers, and 15 Salespersons was held on Tuesday, April 6, 2021. 16 G. Murphy III, Chairman, called the meeting to order 17 at 10:31 a.m. \* \* \* 18 19 Approval of minutes of the February 23, 2021 meeting 20 CHAIRMAN MURPHY: 21 Could I have an approval of the minutes? 22 MR. DAVIS: 2.3 So moved. 2.4 MR. YINGST: 25 Second

1 CHAIRMAN MURPHY: So moved and seconded. Roll call. 2 3 Mark Wolfe, aye; Kirk Davis, aye; Dale 4 5 Yingst, aye; Steve Fretz, aye; Angel 6 Layton, aye; Dan Murphy, aye. 7 [The motion carried unanimously.] [Theodore Stauffer, Executive Secretary, Bureau of 10 Professional and Occupational Affairs, noted the 11 meeting was being recorded, and those who remained on the line were giving their consent to be recorded.] 12 \* \* \* 13 14 [C. William Fritz II, Esquire, Board Counsel, noted 15 the Board met in executive session prior to the meeting for the purpose of conducting quasi-judicial 16 17 deliberations.1 \* \* \* 18 Roll Call 19 20 [A roll call of Board members was taken by Mr. Fritz.] 21 \* \* \* 22 Report of Prosecutorial Division 23 [Colby B. Widdowson, Esquire, Board Prosecution 24 Liaison, informed the Board of recent changes in the 25 prosecution division, stating that Peter Kovach will

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   be the new prosecution liaison for the Board.
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        Mr. Widdowson thanked the Board for their work,
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   noting they will be in great hands moving forward.]
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   [Colby B. Widdowson, Esquire, Board Prosecution
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   Liaison, presented the Consent Agreement for Case No.
   20-60-003304.1
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   [Kayla R. Bolan, Esquire, Board Prosecutor, presented
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   the Consent Agreement for Case No. 19-60-018364.]
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   MR. FRITZ:
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                  The Board would entertain a motion to
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                  approve the Consent Agreement at Case
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                  No. 19-60-018364.
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   MR. DAVIS:
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   CHAIRMAN MURPHY:
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                  Randall Derr, aye; Kirk Davis, aye; Dale
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                  Yingst, aye; Steve Fretz, aye; Angel
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                  Layton, aye; Dan Murphy, aye.
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   [The motion carried unanimously. The Respondent's
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   name is Lawrence Paul Walsh.]
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   MR. FRITZ:
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                  to approve the Consent Agreement at Case
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                  No. 20-60-003304.
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   MR. DAVIS:
                  So moved.
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   MR. DERR:
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                  Second
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   CHAIRMAN MURPHY:
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                  So moved and seconded. Roll call.
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                  Mark Wolfe, aye; George Mermon, aye;
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                  Randall Derr, aye; Kirk Davis, aye; Dale
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                  Yingst, aye; Steve Fretz, aye; Angel
                  Layton, aye; Dan Murphy, aye.
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   [The motion carried unanimously. The Respondent's
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   name is Dennis Reynolds.]
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   Report of Board Counsel
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   [C. William Fritz II, Esquire, Board Counsel, noted
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   the status of cases as of March 24, 2021, for the
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   Board's review.
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        Mr. Fritz requested Board members inform him on
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any matters where they would need to recuse themselves after reviewing the status of cases.

Mr. Fritz updated the status of cases, noting 42 open files as of today. He mentioned that protests have been stable with no new protests.

Mr. Fritz informed the Board that regulations are moving. He noted the recreation vehicle (RV) fee regulation and fee increase regulation are moving along. He mentioned that there are a few hearings scheduled for the next meeting.]

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12 Report of Board Counsel - Motion to Deem Facts

13 Admitted

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14 MR. FRITZ:

Based on discussions held in executive
session, the Board would entertain a
motion to grant the Motion to Deem Facts
Admitted and direct Board counsel to
draft and Adjudication and Order.

20 CHAIRMAN MURPHY:

21 Would someone make a motion?

22 MR. DERR:

So moved.

24 MR. YINGST:

25 Second.

## 8 1 CHAIRMAN MURPHY: So moved and seconded. Roll call. 2 3 Mark Wolfe, aye; George Mermon, aye; 4 5 Randall Derr, aye; Kirk Davis, aye; Dale 6 Yingst, aye; Steve Fretz, aye; Angel 7 Layton, aye; Dan Murphy, aye. [The motion carried unanimously. The Respondent's 8 name is Stephen J. Shimko, Case No. 19-60-012647.] \* \* \* 10 11 [C. William Fritz II, Esquire, Board Counsel, informed 12 the Board of potential scams happening at the current 13 time, where someone pretends to be from the Bureau of 14 Enforcement and Investigation (BEI) and supposedly 15 working with the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) 16 and the Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA). 17 Mr. Fritz stated the licensees of all boards were 18 being contacted, but the incidents seemed to be 19 focused more toward the health boards, where there was 20 a reporting of BEI investigating an individual and 21 requesting payment of a fine over the phone. 2.2

Mr. Fritz read an email from the Department concerning the scam. He mentioned that those who were the subject of an investigation or disciplinary action would receive notice by certified mail and/or personal

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1 service and provided with a contact name and phone

- 2 | number. He informed all to contact their local police
- 3 department or the State Police if they had been a
- 4 victim of the scam. He noted that the information is
- 5 located on the Department of State Boards and
- 6 Commissions' website.
- 7 Mr. Fritz informed the Board that he provided the
- 8 | Pennsylvania Automotive Association (PAA) with the
- 9 email and will send it to the Pennsylvania Independent
- 10 Automobile Dealers Association (PIADA) today and
- 11 probably the Pennsylvania Recreation Vehicle and
- 12 Camping Association (PRVCA) as well.]
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- 14 Report of Board Chairman No Report
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- 16 Report of Commissioner No Report
- 17 | [Theodore Stauffer, Executive Secretary, Bureau of
- 18 Professional and Occupational Affairs, on behalf of K.
- 19 Kalonji Johnson, Commissioner, did not have an
- 20 official report but offered to take questions or
- 21 | concerns to the Commissioner.
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- 23 Report of Board Administrator
- 24 | [Janice Cline, Board Administrator, informed the Board
- 25 that renewals started.

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Chairman Murphy mentioned a meeting date change,
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   noting the next meetings were scheduled for May 11 and
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   June 30. He requested approval of the 2022 meeting
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   dates.]
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   CHAIRMAN MURPHY:
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                  Could we get a motion and a second to
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                  approve?
   MS. LAYTON:
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                  So moved.
   MR. DAVIS:
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                  Second.
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   CHAIRMAN MURPHY:
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                  So moved and seconded. Roll call.
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                  Mark Wolfe, aye; George Mermon, aye;
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                  Kirk Davis, aye; Randall Derr, aye; Dale
                  Yingst, aye; Steve Fretz, aye; Angel
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                  Layton, aye; Dan Murphy, aye.
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   [The motion carried unanimously.]
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   Application Review - Criminal Conviction
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     Applicants - Informal Hearings
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   Report of Board Counsel - Motion to Deem Facts
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   MR. FRITZ:
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                  The Board would entertain a motion to
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                  approve the following Application
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                  subject to 2 years' probation of Stephen
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                  Lamar Blackston.
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   MR. DAVIS:
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                  So moved.
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   MR. MERMON:
                  Second.
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   CHAIRMAN MURPHY:
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                  So moved and seconded. Roll call.
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                  Mark Wolfe, aye; George Mermon, aye;
                  Randall Derr, aye; Kirk Davis, aye; Dale
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                  Yingst, aye; Steve Fretz, aye; Angel
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                  Layton, aye; Dan Murphy, aye.
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    [The motion carried unanimously.]
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   MR. FRITZ:
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                  The Board would entertain a motion to
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                  approve the following applicants for
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                  licensure without restriction: Brad
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                  Varner and David C. Hollenbach.
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   MR. DAVIS:
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                  So moved.
   MR. DERR:
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   CHAIRMAN MURPHY:
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                  So moved and seconded. Roll call.
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                  Randall Derr, aye; Kirk Davis, aye; Dale
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                  Yingst, aye; Steve Fretz, aye; Angel
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                  Layton, aye; Dan Murphy, aye.
   [The motion carried unanimously.]
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   MR. FRITZ:
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                  The Board would entertain a motion to
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                  approve the following application for
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                  licensure subject to probation
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                  concurrent to criminal probation for
                  Wilson Martin and Eli R. Lyles.
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   MR. DAVIS:
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   MR. DERR:
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   CHAIRMAN MURPHY:
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                  So moved and seconded. Roll call.
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                  Randall Derr, aye; Kirk Davis, aye; Dale
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Yingst, aye; Steve Fretz, aye; Angel 1 2 Layton, aye; Dan Murphy, aye. 3 [The motion carried unanimously.] 4 MR. FRITZ: 5 The Board would entertain a motion to 6 7 provisionally deny the Application of 8 Stephen Jones. 9 MR. YINGST: 10 So moved. 11 MR. DERR: 12 Second. CHAIRMAN MURPHY: 13 14 So moved and seconded. Roll call. 15 Mark Wolfe, aye; George Mermon, aye; 16 Randall Derr, aye; Kirk Davis, aye; Dale 17 18 Yingst, aye; Steve Fretz, aye; Angel 19 Layton, aye; Dan Murphy, aye. 20 [The motion carried unanimously.] \* \* \* 21 22 [Randall Derr, Professional Member, questioned whether

23 there would be in-person meetings soon.

24 Mr. Fritz suggested Mr. Stauffer present that 25 question to the commissioner for an update at the next

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   meeting.]
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   Adjournment
   CHAIRMAN MURPHY:
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                   Motion to adjourn.
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   MR. DAVIS:
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   CHAIRMAN MURPHY:
                   We are adjourned.
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   [The motion carried unanimously.]
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   [The State Board of Vehicle Manufacturers, Dealers,
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   and Salespersons Meeting adjourned at 10:52 a.m.]
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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.

CERTIFICATE

Derek Richmond,

Minute Clerk

Sargent's Court Reporting Service, Inc.