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WICHITA, KAN. – The operator of a Wichita car repair and restoration business was ordered to pay more than \$19,000 in restitution to five former customers Wednesday in Sedgwick County District Court.

Robert A. Schulte, 27, owner of Vintage Motor Works, LLC, 1510 E. Waterman, pled guilty in September to seven counts of felony theft and one count of making a false information for taking money from customers and not doing the work.

District Court Judge Bruce Brown told Schulte that he must make restitution payments while on probation for the next five years. Judge Brown said Schulte would serve 18 months in a state prison if he did not pay off the restitution while on probation.

The judge also ordered Schulte to obtain employment, but prohibited him from working as a mechanic or operating his own car repair business while on probation. Brown set a minimum payment of \$100 a month, but told Schulte he was expected to pay more.

Customers of the business complained that they paid Schulte for work that was either not done correctly or never completed.

The case was investigated by the Sedgwick County District Attorney's Consumer Protection and Investigations divisions.

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