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**Wichita, Kansas** - A private investigator has entered into a consent judgment with the Office of the District Attorney involving an allegation of deceptive acts and practices in his detective business.

The agreement between Preston Olson, doing business as Gentry Investigations, and the District Attorney's Consumer Protection Division calls for Mr. Olson to pay \$500.00 in civil penalties and \$747.00 in investigative expenses and court costs. The District Attorney alleged that Mr. Olson was advertising services as a licensed investigator while he was not, in fact, licensed by the State of Kansas. The agreement does not constitute an admission by Mr. Olson.

State law requires any person engaging in detective business must be licensed as a private detective by the State of Kansas. According to the Kansas Consumer Protection Act, when any supplier of services indicates he or she has sponsorship, approval, status, affiliation or connection that the supplier does not have, it is considered a deceptive act and practice.

At the time the consent judgment was filed in Sedgwick County District Court on Friday, July 22, 2016, Mr. Olson paid the fines and costs, and agreed to refrain from the same deceptive business practices described above.

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