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Wichita, Kansas - A Wichita car dealer has entered into a consent judgment with the Sedgwick County District Attorney involving allegations of deceptive acts and practices involved in car sales.

The agreement between Numak Dealership, 1701 E. 2nd St., and the Consumer Protection Division of the District Attorney calls for Numak to pay \$7,000 in civil penalties and \$747.00 in investigative expenses and court costs. The District Attorney alleged that Numak was listing cars for sale on the Craigslist website without identifying the seller as a car dealer, failed to disclose that a vehicle it sold had a salvage title and improperly attempted to limit warranties. The agreement does not constitute an admission by Numak of the allegations.

State law requires used car dealers to disclose in any solicitation or advertisement that the motor vehicle being offered for sale, lease or rental is being done so by a vehicle dealer. When a dealership fails to disclose that it is a dealership and advertises in the "by owner" section of Craigslist or anywhere else, it is considered a deceptive act and practice, according to the Kansas Consumer Protection Act (KCPA). Used car dealers also must disclose when a car listed for sale has a salvage title and provide accurate warranty information to all buyers.

At the time the consent judgment was filed in Sedgwick County District Court on Monday, Numak paid the fines and costs and agreed to refrain from further deceptive business practices as described above.

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