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**WICHITA, KAN.** – An owner of a car dealership has entered into a consent judgment with the Office of the District Attorney based on allegations he failed to provide title for a car within 60 days of the sale and used an unlicensed salesperson. Mohammad Lahowk, owner of H & R Auto Sales, at 1333 S. Seneca and 221 E. 13<sup>th</sup> Street N., admitted the allegations.

The agreement between Mr. Lahowk and the District Attorney's Office calls for him to pay \$15,417.70 in civil penalties, court costs, and fees. The agreement also requires him to provide title at the time of sale or maintain sufficient surety or collateral to either complete the transaction or refund the consumer. Mr. Lahowk must disclose in all advertising, including social media, that the car is being sold by a dealership, not a private individual, and use only licensed salespersons.

The District Attorney reminds residents that customers should receive certificates of title within 60 days of vehicle purchase so they can register their vehicle. Otherwise, the transaction is void and customers are entitled to a full refund. Driving without proper registration is against the law.

The consent judgment was approved November 26, 2018, by Judge Jeffrey Goering. The case was investigated by Kristen Zluticky of the District Attorney's Office.

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