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WICHITA, KAN. – A car dealership and its owner have entered into a consent judgment with the Office of the District Attorney. The District Attorney investigated three complaints from consumers who purchased vehicles from 37 Auto Sales, 1739 N. Broadway. In the investigation, the District Attorney found that the dealership had not disclosed a safety recall on one or more cars it sold and the dealership had used unlicensed salesperson(s).

The agreement between 37 Auto Sales, LLC, the owner of the business Jacobs Lucky and the District Attorney's Office includes the requirements that the defendants pay \$20,000 in civil penalties, compensate two of the consumers, address safety recalls, and maintain appropriate licensure. 37 Auto Sales, LLC/Mr.Lucky admitted the violations and had taken some remedial measures prior to the consent judgment being entered into.

The District Attorney reminds residents that safety recalls affect millions of cars and residents should inquire before buying a vehicle if the vehicle is subject to a recall. Residents can check their cars, trucks, and motor cycles for recalls at <https://www.safercar.gov/vin>. Recalls are covered by the manufacturer, and repairs are free. Buyers Guides are required to be placed on used vehicles being sold by vehicle dealers (known as the Used Car Rule). Buyers Guides give consumers important purchasing and warranty information. Dealerships and salespersons should be licensed and any representations in advertising must be substantiated and cannot be misleading.

The consent judgment was signed May 8, 2019, by Judge Deborah Hernandez Mitchell. The case was investigated by Kristen Zluticky of the District Attorney's Office.

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