



Ohio Board of Motor Vehicle Collision Repair Registration

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Injunctions Filed

Columbus – The Ohio Board of Motor Vehicle Collision Repair Registration and Attorney General Mike DeWine's Office have filed injunctions against four shops in three separate counties. Each shop is accused of being in violation of Ohio's collision repair registration laws. The shops are located in Fairfield, Licking and Pickaway Counties.

In Pickaway County, an injunction was filed against Auto Surgeon Collision Center, owned by Eddie Emerine and located at 344 E. High Street, Circleville, Ohio 43113.

Injunctions were filed in Fairfield County against Shonk Collision & Frame, owned by Bill Shonk and located at 6005 Columbus-Lancaster Road, Carroll, Ohio 43112, and Jenkins Auto Glass, owned by Greg Jenkins and located at 347 S. Columbus Street, Lancaster, Ohio 43130.

An injunction was filed with the Court in Licking County against Collision Specialist of Ohio, LLC, owned by William Pletz III and located at 10 Fourth Avenue, Pataskala, Ohio 43062. However, Mr. Pletz came in to compliance when notified that the injunction had been filed against his company.

"Ohioans should protect themselves by researching whether a collision repair shop is registered prior to seeking a repair," said Attorney general DeWine. "While the majority of shops are registered and compliant, we will continue to work with the Ohio Board of Motor Vehicle Collision Repair Registration to take legal action against the few facilities that fail to comply with Ohio law."

Michael Greene, Executive Director of the agency, indicated, "Enforcement efforts against illegal repair facilities have increased, and will continue to be stepped up. It is not the Board's intention to close down repair shops, but rather bring them into compliance with state and federal regulations." Mr. Greene pointed out that the law has been in effect long enough for existing shops to become compliant. He added, "It's a consumer issue, and I would suggest everyone visit our website at www.collisionboard.ohio.gov prior to choosing a repair facility. Consumers can check for registered shops at our e-licensing verification link, and learn the rights of a motorist when seeking auto repairs."

The Ohio Board of Motor Vehicle Collision Repair Registration was created in 1999 to regulate the collision repair industry and provide consumer protection. The Board is entirely funded by registration fees from collision shops, auto glass businesses, paintless dent repair companies and airbag replacement units throughout Ohio. The Board is made up of five collision repair shop owners, one mechanical repair shop owner, and one person to represent the public, who has no financial interest in the auto repair industry.

For additional information, please visit our website, www.collisionboard.ohio.gov.

MISSION STATEMENT

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