

**BEFORE THE DIRECTOR OF THE
DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS
BUREAU OF AUTOMOTIVE REPAIR
STATE OF CALIFORNIA**

In the Matter of the Petition to Revoke Probation Against:

MARCELO DANIEL MORALES, SOLE OWNER, dba MARCELOS AUTO REPAIRS

83407 Highway 111 A

Indio, CA 92201

Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 179774

Smog Check Station License No. RC 179774

and

MARCELO DANIEL MORALES

43635 Calle Espada

La Quinta, CA 92253

Smog Check Inspector License No. EO 128438

Smog Check Repair Technician License No. EI 128438

Respondents.

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Case No. 79/24-10639

DECISION

The attached Stipulated Revocation of License and Order is hereby accepted and adopted by the Director of the Department of Consumer Affairs as the Decision in the above-entitled matter.

This Decision shall become effective on April 11, 2025.

IT IS SO ORDERED March 4, 2025.

Signature on file
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17 **Indio, CA 92201**

**STIPULATED REVOCATION OF
LICENSE AND ORDER**

18 **Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No.**
19 **ARD 179774**

20 **Smog Check Station License No. RC 179774**

21 **MARCELO DANIEL MORALES**
22 **43635 Calle Espada**
23 **La Quinta, CA 92253**

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25 IT IS HEREBY STIPULATED AND AGREED by and between the parties to the above-
26 entitled proceedings that the following matters are true:

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1 **PARTIES**

2 1. Patrick Dorais (Complainant) is the Chief of the Bureau of Automotive Repair
3 (Bureau). Complainant brought this action solely in his official capacity and is represented in this
4 matter by Rob Bonta, Attorney General of the State of California, by Agustin Lopez, Deputy
5 Attorney General.

6 2. On January 1, 1994, the Bureau issued Automotive Repair Dealer Registration
7 Number ARD 179774 to Marcelo Daniel Morales, dba Marcelos Auto Repairs (Respondent).
8 The Automotive Repair Dealer Registration expired on August 31, 2022, and was not renewed.

9 3. On September 7, 1994, the Bureau issued Smog Check and Repair Station License
10 Number RC 179774 to Respondent. The Smog Check and Repair Station License expired on
11 August 31, 2022, and was not renewed.

12 4. Effective April 18, 2013, under California Code of Regulations, title 16, section
13 3340.28, subdivision (e), Respondent elected to have Smog Check Repair Technician License No.
14 EI 128438 issued. The Smog Check Repair Technician license expired on June 30, 2021, and
15 was not renewed.

16 5. Effective April 18, 2013, under California Code of Regulations, title 16, section
17 3340.28, subdivision (e), Respondent elected to have Smog Check Inspector License No. EO
18 128438 issued. The Smog Check Inspector license expired on June 30, 2023, and was not
19 renewed.

20 **JURISDICTION**

21 6. On October 24, 2024, Complainant filed Petition to Revoke Probation No. 79/24-
22 10639 was filed before the Director of the Department of Consumer Affairs (Director), State of
23 California, and it is currently pending against Respondent. On October 29, 2024, Complainant
24 properly served the Petition to Revoke Probation and all other statutorily required documents on
25 Respondent. Respondent timely filed his Notice of Defense contesting the Petition to Revoke
26 Probation. A copy of Petition to Revoke Probation No. 79/24-10639 is attached as Exhibit A and
27 incorporated by reference.
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1 stipulation, Respondent understands and agrees that he may not withdraw his agreement or seek
2 to rescind the stipulation prior to the time the Director considers and acts upon it. If the Director
3 fails to adopt this stipulation as the Decision and Order, the Stipulated Revocation and
4 Disciplinary Order shall be of no force or effect, except for this paragraph, it shall be inadmissible
5 in any legal action between the parties, and the Director shall not be disqualified from further
6 action by having considered this matter.

7 13. The parties understand and agree that Portable Document Format (PDF) and facsimile
8 copies of this Stipulated Revocation of License and Order, including PDF and facsimile
9 signatures thereto, shall have the same force and effect as the originals.

10 14. This Stipulated Revocation of License and Order is intended by the parties to be an
11 integrated writing representing the complete, final, and exclusive embodiment of their agreement.
12 It supersedes any and all prior or contemporaneous agreements, understandings, discussions,
13 negotiations, and commitments (written or oral). This Stipulated Revocation of License and
14 Order may not be altered, amended, modified, supplemented, or otherwise changed except by a
15 writing executed by an authorized representative of each of the parties.

16 15. In consideration of the foregoing admissions and stipulations, the parties agree that
17 the Director may, without further notice or formal proceeding, issue and enter the following
18 Order:

19 **ORDER**

20 IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 179774,
21 Smog Check and Repair Station License No. RC 179774, Smog Check Repair Technician
22 License No. EI 128438, and Smog Check Inspector License No. EO 128438 issued to Respondent
23 are surrendered and accepted by the Bureau.

24 1. The surrender of Respondent's registration and licenses, and the acceptance of the
25 surrendered licenses by the Bureau shall constitute the imposition of discipline against
26 Respondent. This stipulation constitutes a record of the discipline and shall become a part of
27 Respondent's license history with the Bureau.

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2. Respondent shall lose all rights and privileges as an Automotive Repair Dealer, Smog Check and Repair Station, Smog Check Repair Technician, and Smog Check Inspector licensee in California as of the effective date of the Director's Decision and Order.

3. Respondent shall cause to be delivered to the Bureau his pocket licenses and, if issued, his wall certificates on or before the effective date of the Decision and Order.

4. If Respondent ever files an application for licensure or a petition for reinstatement in the State of California, the Bureau shall treat it as a petition for reinstatement. Respondent must comply with all the laws, regulations and procedures for reinstatement of a revoked or surrendered license in effect at the time the petition is filed, and all of the charges and allegations contained in Petition to Revoke Probation No. 79/24-10639 shall be deemed to be true, correct and admitted by Respondent when the Director determines whether to grant or deny the petition.

5. If Respondent should ever apply or reapply for a new license or certification, or petition for reinstatement of a license, by any other licensing agency in the State of California, all of the charges and allegations contained in Petition to Revoke Probation, No. 79/24-10639 shall be deemed to be true, correct, and admitted by Respondent for the purpose of any Statement of Issues or any other proceeding seeking to deny or restrict licensure. Additionally, Respondent shall pay any cost recovery balance owed to the Bureau prior to reinstatement or reapplication of any license issued by the State of California, including but not limited to the current balance of \$6,202.33.

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1 **ACCEPTANCE**

2 I have carefully read the Stipulated Revocation of License and Order. I understand the
3 stipulation and the effect it will have on my Automotive Repair Dealer, Smog Check and Repair
4 Station, Smog Check Repair Technician, and Smog Check Inspector licenses. I enter into this
5 Stipulated Revocation of License and Order voluntarily, knowingly, and intelligently, and agree
6 to be bound by the Decision and Order of the Director of the Department of Consumer Affairs.

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8 DATED: January 27, 2025

Original signature on file

9 MARCELO DANIEL MORALES, DBA
10 MARCELOS AUTO REPAIRS
Respondent

11 **ENDORSEMENT**

12 The foregoing Stipulated Revocation of License and Order is hereby respectfully submitted
13 for consideration by the Director of the Department of Consumer Affairs.

14 DATED: February 11, 2025

Respectfully submitted,

16 ROB BONTA
Attorney General of California ERIN
17 M. SUNSERI
Supervising Deputy Attorney General

18 Original signature on file

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20 AGUSTIN LOPEZ
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