

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

In the Matter of the Accusation Against:

ADAM A. GOMEZ dba GOMEZ AUTO REPAIR

710 E. Market St.

Salinas, CA 93905

Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 214734

Smog Check Station License No. RC 214734

Brake Station License No. BS 214734 (cancelled)

Lamp Station License No. LS 214734 (cancelled)

and

ADAN GOMEZ CERVANTES aka ADAN GOMEZ JR.

710 E. Market St.

Salinas, CA 93905

Smog Check Inspector License No. EO 639552

Smog Check Repair Technician License No. 639552

Brake Adjuster License No. 639552 (cancelled)

Lamp Adjuster License No. 639552 (cancelled)

Respondents.

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Case No. 77/24-12763

DECISION

The attached Stipulated Settlement and Disciplinary 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 December 23, 2025.

IT IS SO ORDERED Nov. 17, 2025.



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**STIPULATED
SETTLEMENT AND
DISCIPLINARY
ORDER**

15 **Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 214734**
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17 **Brake Station License No BS 214734 (cancelled)**
Lamp Station License No LS 214734 (cancelled)

18 **and**

19 **ADAN GOMEZ CERVANTES**
20 **AKA ADAN GOMEZ JR.,**
710 E. Market St.
Salinas, CA 93905

21 **Smog Check Inspector License No. EO 639552**
22 **Smog Check Repair Technician License No. EI 639552**
23 **Brake Adjuster License No. 639552 (cancelled)**
Lamp Adjuster License No. 639552 (cancelled)

24 Respondents.

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

3 **PARTIES**

4 1. Patrick Dorais (Complainant) is the Chief of the Bureau of Automotive Repair
5 (Bureau). He brought this action solely in his official capacity and is represented in this matter by
6 Rob Bonta, Attorney General of the State of California, by Justin R. Surber, Deputy Attorney
7 General.

8 2. In or about 2001, the Bureau issued Automotive Repair Dealer Registration Number
9 ARD 214734 to Adam A. Gomez (Respondent Gomez), dba Gomez Auto Repair. The
10 Automotive Repair Dealer Registration was in full force and effect at all times relevant to the
11 charges brought herein and will expire on January 31, 2026, unless renewed.

12 3. On or about July 2, 2009, the Bureau issued Smog Check Station License Number RC
13 214734 to Respondent Gomez, dba Gomez Auto Repair. The Smog Check Station License was
14 in full force and effect at all times relevant to the charges brought herein and will expire on
15 January 31, 2026, unless renewed.

16 4. On or about June 3, 2009, the Bureau issued Lamp Station License No LS 214734,
17 class A, to Respondent Gomez, dba Gomez Auto Repair. The Lamp Station License was due to
18 expire on January 31, 2025, but was cancelled on September 27, 2024, pursuant to Business and
19 Professions Code section 9887.5.

20 5. On or about June 3, 2009, the Bureau issued Brake Station License No BS 214734,
21 class C, to Respondent Gomez, dba Gomez Auto Repair. The Brake Station License was due to
22 expire on January 31, 2025, but was cancelled on September 27, 2024, pursuant to Business and
23 Professions Code section 9887.5.

24 6. On or about August 15, 2016, The Bureau Issued Smog Check Inspector License No.
25 EO 639552 to Adan Gomez Cervantes (Respondent Cervantes). The Smog Check Inspector
26 License was in full force and effect at all times relevant to the charges brought herein and will
27 expire on June 30, 2026, unless renewed.
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7. On or about March 23, 2018, The Bureau Issued Smog Check Repair Technician License No. EI 639552 to Respondent Cervantes. The Smog Check Repair Technician License was in full force and effect at all times relevant to the charges brought herein and will expire on June 30, 2026, unless renewed.

8. On or about March 22, 2018, the Bureau issued Brake Adjuster License No BA 639552, class C, to Respondent Cervantes. The Brake Adjuster License expired on June 30, 2021, and was cancelled on June 4, 2023.

9. On or about November 3, 2017, the Bureau issued Lamp Adjuster License No LA 639552, class A, to Respondent Cervantes. The Brake Adjuster License expired on June 30, 2021, and was cancelled on August 30, 2021.

JURISDICTION

10. Accusation No. 77/24-12763 was filed before the Director of the Department of Consumer Affairs (Director) and is currently pending against Respondents. The Accusation and all other statutorily required documents were properly served on Respondents on July 2, 2025. Respondents timely filed their Notices of Defense contesting the Accusation.

11. A copy of Accusation No. 77/24-12763 is attached as Exhibit A and incorporated herein by reference.

ADVISEMENT AND WAIVERS

12. Respondents have carefully read and understands the charges and allegations in Accusation No. 77/24-12763. Respondents have also carefully read and understands the effects of this Stipulated Settlement and Disciplinary Order.

13. Respondents are fully aware of their legal rights in this matter, including the right to a hearing on the charges and allegations in the Accusation; the right to be represented by counsel at their own expense; the right to confront and cross-examine the witnesses against them; the right to present evidence and to testify on their own behalf; the right to the issuance of subpoenas to compel the attendance of witnesses and the production of documents; the right to reconsideration and court review of an adverse decision; and all other rights accorded by the California Administrative Procedure Act and other applicable laws.

14. Respondents voluntarily, knowingly, and intelligently waive and give up each and every right set forth above.

CULPABILITY

15. Respondents admit the truth of each and every charge and allegation in Accusation No. 77/24-12763.

16. Respondents agree that Respondents' Automotive Repair Dealer Registration, Smog Check Station License, Smog Check Inspector License and Smog Check Repair Technician License are subject to discipline and agree to be bound by the Director's probationary terms as set forth in the Disciplinary Order below.

CONTINGENCY

17. This stipulation shall be subject to approval by the Director or the Director's designee. Respondents understand and agree that counsel for Complainant and the staff of the Bureau of Automotive Repair may communicate directly with the Director and staff of the Department of Consumer Affairs regarding this stipulation and settlement, without notice to or participation by Respondents. By signing the stipulation, Respondents understand and agree that Respondents may not withdraw their agreement or seek to rescind the stipulation prior to the time the Director considers and acts upon it. If the Director fails to adopt this stipulation as the Decision and Order, the Stipulated Settlement and Disciplinary Order shall be of no force or effect, except for this paragraph, it shall be inadmissible in any legal action between the parties, and the Director shall not be disqualified from further action by having considered this matter.

18. The parties understand and agree that Portable Document Format (PDF) and facsimile copies of this Stipulated Settlement and Disciplinary Order, including PDF and facsimile signatures thereto, shall have the same force and effect as the originals.

19. This Stipulated Settlement and Disciplinary Order is intended by the parties to be an integrated writing representing the complete, final, and exclusive embodiment of their agreement. It supersedes any and all prior or contemporaneous agreements, understandings, discussions, negotiations, and commitments (written or oral). This Stipulated Settlement and Disciplinary

Order may not be altered, amended, modified, supplemented, or otherwise changed except by a writing executed by an authorized representative of each of the parties.

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

DISCIPLINARY ORDERS

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 214734 and Smog Check Station License No. RC 214734 issued to Respondent Adam A. Gomez dba Gomez Auto Repair are revoked.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that Smog Check Inspector License No. EO 639552 and Smog Check Repair Technician License No. EI 639552 issued to Adan Gomez Cervantes aka Adan Gomez Jr. are revoked.

However, all of the revocations are stayed and both Respondent Gomez and Respondent Cervantes are placed on probation for three (3) years on the following terms and conditions:

1. **Obey All Laws.** During the period of probation, Respondents shall comply with all federal and state statutes, regulations and rules governing all BAR registrations and licenses held by Respondents.

2. **Quarterly Reporting.** During the period of probation, Respondents shall report either by personal appearance or in writing as determined by BAR on a schedule set by BAR, but no more frequently than once each calendar quarter, on the methods used and success achieved in maintaining compliance with the terms and conditions of probation.

3. **Report Financial Interests.** Respondents shall, within 30 days of the effective date of the decision and within 30 days from the date of any request by BAR during the period of probation, report any financial interest which any Respondent or any partners, officers, or owners of any Respondent facility may have in any other business required to be registered pursuant to Section 9884.6 of the Business and Professions Code.

4. **Access to Examine Vehicles and Records.** Respondents shall provide BAR representatives unrestricted access to examine all vehicles (including parts) undergoing service,

1 inspection, or repairs, up to and including the point of completion. Respondents shall also provide
2 BAR representatives unrestricted access to all records pursuant to BAR laws and regulations.

3 **5. Tolling of Probation.** If, during probation, any Respondent leaves the jurisdiction of
4 California to reside or do business elsewhere or otherwise ceases to do business in the jurisdiction
5 of California, that Respondent shall notify BAR in writing within 10 days of the dates of
6 departure and return, and of the dates of cessation and resumption of business in California. All
7 provisions of probation other than cost reimbursement requirements, restitution requirements,
8 training requirements, and that Respondent obey all laws, shall be held in abeyance during any
9 period of time of 30 days or more in which that Respondent is not residing or engaging in
10 business within the jurisdiction of California. All provisions of probation shall recommence on
11 the effective date of resumption of business in California. Any period of time of 30 days or more
12 in which Respondent is not residing or engaging in business within the jurisdiction of California
13 shall not apply to the reduction of this probationary period or to any period of actual suspension
14 not previously completed. Tolling is not available if business or work relevant to the probationary
15 license or registration is conducted or performed during the tolling period.

16 **6. Violation of Probation.** If Respondents violates or fails to comply with the terms
17 and conditions of probation in any respect, the Director, after giving notice and opportunity to be
18 heard may set aside the stay order and carry out the disciplinary order provided in the decision.
19 Once Respondents is served notice of BAR's intent to set aside the stay, the Director shall
20 maintain jurisdiction, and the period of probation shall be extended until final resolution of the
21 matter.

22 **7. Maintain Valid License.** Respondents shall, at all times while on probation,
23 maintain a current and active registration and/or license(s) with BAR, including any period during
24 which suspension or probation is tolled. If any Respondent's registration or license is expired at
25 the time the decision becomes effective, the registration or license must be renewed by that
26 Respondent within 30 days of that date. If Respondent's registration or license expires during a
27 term of probation, by operation of law or otherwise, then upon renewal Respondent's registration
28 or license shall be subject to any and all terms and conditions of probation not previously

1 satisfied. Failure to maintain a current and active registration and/or license during the period of
2 probation shall also constitute a violation of probation.

3 8. **Cost Recovery.** Respondents shall pay the Bureau of Automotive Repair a total of
4 \$1,000 for the reasonable costs of the investigation and enforcement of case No. 77/24-12763.
5 Costs shall be paid within 90 days of the effective date of this order. Respondent shall make
6 payment by check or money order payable to the Bureau of Automotive Repair and shall indicate
7 on the check or money order that it is for cost recovery payment for case No. 77/24-12763. Any
8 order for payment of cost recovery shall remain in effect whether or not probation is tolled.
9 Probation shall not terminate until full cost recovery payment has been made. BAR reserves the
10 right to pursue any other lawful measures in collecting on the costs ordered and past due, in
11 addition to taking action based upon the violation of probation.

12 9. **Completion of Probation.** Upon successful completion of probation, Respondents'
13 affected registration and/or license will be fully restored or issued without restriction, if
14 Respondents meet all current requirements for registration or licensure and has paid all
15 outstanding fees, monetary penalties, or cost recovery owed to BAR.

16 10. **License Surrender.** Following the effective date of a decision that orders a stay of
17 invalidation or revocation, if either Respondent ceases business operations or is otherwise unable
18 to satisfy the terms and conditions of probation, that Respondent may request that the stay be
19 vacated. Such request shall be made in writing to BAR. The Director and the BAR Chief reserve
20 the right to evaluate the Respondent's request and to exercise discretion whether to grant the
21 request or take any other action deemed appropriate or reasonable under the circumstances. Upon
22 formal granting of the request, the Director will vacate the stay order and carry out the
23 disciplinary order provided in the decision. Respondent may not petition the Director for
24 reinstatement of the surrendered registration and/or license or apply for a new registration or
25 license under the jurisdiction of BAR at any time before the date of the originally scheduled
26 completion of probation. If Respondent applies to BAR for a registration or license at any time
27 after that date, Respondent must meet all current requirements for registration or licensure and
28 pay all outstanding fees or cost recovery owed to BAR and left outstanding at the time of

1 surrender.

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3 11. **Notification to Employer** - When performing services that fall within the scope of
4 his or her license, Respondents shall provide each of his or her current or future employers a copy
5 of the decision and the underlying Accusation or Statement of Issues before commencing
6 employment. Notification to Respondent's current employer shall occur no later than the effective
7 date of the decision. Respondent shall submit to BAR, upon request, satisfactory evidence of
8 compliance with this term of probation.

9 ACCEPTANCE

10 I have carefully read the Stipulated Settlement and Disciplinary Order. I understand the
11 stipulation and the effect it will have on my Automotive Repair Dealer Registration and Smog
12 Check Station License. I enter into this Stipulated Settlement and Disciplinary Order voluntarily,
13 knowingly, and intelligently, and agree to be bound by the Decision and Order of the Director of
14 the Department of Consumer Affairs.

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16 DATED: 11-5-2025

Adam Gomez
17 ADAM A. GOMEZ dba GOMEZ AUTO REPAIR;
18 Respondent

19 I have carefully read the Stipulated Settlement and Disciplinary Order. I understand the
20 stipulation and the effect it will have on my Smog Check Inspector License and Smog Check
21 Repair Technician License. I enter into this Stipulated Settlement and Disciplinary Order
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23 Director of the Department of Consumer Affairs.

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25 DATED: 11-5-25

Adam Gomez Cervantes
26 ADAM GOMEZ CERVANTES
27 Respondent
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ENDORSEMENT

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The foregoing Stipulated Settlement and Disciplinary Order is hereby respectfully
submitted for consideration by the Director of the Department of Consumer Affairs.

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DATED: 11/7/24

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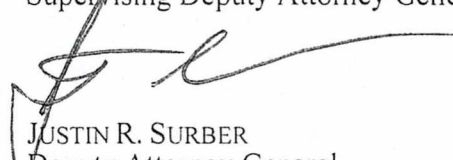
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