

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

In the Matter of the Accusation Against:

ANDRES GRIMALDO BAUTISTA- OWNER dba MAIN AUTOMOTIVE

1130 W. Main St.

Santa Maria, CA 93458

Mailing Address

814 W. Camino Colegio

Santa Maria, CA 93458

Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 299514

Smog Check Station License No. RC 299514

Smog Check Inspector License No. EO 640894

Smog Check Repair Technician License No. EI 640894

Vehicle Safety Technician License No. ST 640894

Respondent.

Case No. 79/24-14749

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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 July 3, 2020.

IT IS SO ORDERED May 18, 2026.



GRACE ARUPO RODRIGUEZ
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Department of Consumer Affairs

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STIPULATED SETTLEMENT AND
DISCIPLINARY ORDER

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

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PARTIES

1. Patrick Dorais (Complainant) is the Chief of the Bureau of Automotive Repair (Bureau or BAR). He brought this action solely in his official capacity and is represented in this matter by Rob Bonta, Attorney General of the State of California, by Michael Yi, Deputy Attorney General.

2. Respondent Andres Grimaldo Bautista – Owner dba Main Automotive (Respondent) is represented in this proceeding by attorney Nicole Weil, whose address is: 380 S. Melrose Dr., Ste. 313, Vista, CA 92081

3. On April 16, 2021, the Bureau issued Automotive Repair Dealer Registration Number ARD 299514 to Respondent. The Automotive Repair Dealer Registration was in full force and effect at all times relevant to the charges brought in Accusation number 79/24-14749 and will expire on April 30, 2027, unless renewed.

4. On May 12, 2021, the Bureau issued Smog Check, Test-and-Repair, Station License Number RC 299514 to Respondent. The Smog Check, Test-and-Repair, Station License was in full force and effect at all times relevant to the charges brought in Accusation number 79/24-14749 and will expire on April 30, 2027, unless renewed.

5. On January 29, 2019, the Bureau issued Smog Check Inspector License Number EO 640894 to Respondent. The Smog Check Inspector License was in full force and effect at all times relevant to the charges brought in Accusation number 79/24-14749 and will expire on December 31, 2027, unless renewed.

6. On May 10, 2019, the Bureau issued Smog Check Repair Technician License Number EI 640894 to Respondent. The Smog Check Repair Technician License was in full force and effect at all times relevant to the charges brought in Accusation number 79/24-14749 and will expire on December 31, 2026, unless renewed.

7. On October 14, 2024, the Bureau issued Vehicle Safety Technician License Number ST 640894 to Respondent. The Vehicle Safety Technician License was in full force and effect at all times relevant to the charges brought in Accusation number 79/24-14749 and will expire on December 31, 2026, unless renewed.

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1 basis for the charges in the Accusation, and that Respondent hereby gives up his right to contest
2 those charges.

3 15. Respondent agrees that his Automotive Repair Dealer Registration, Smog Check,
4 Test-and-Repair, Station License, as well as his Smog Check Inspector License, Smog Check
5 Repair Technician License, and Vehicle Safety Technician License, are subject to discipline and
6 agrees to be bound by the Director's probationary terms as set forth in the Disciplinary Order
7 below.

8 CONTINGENCY

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

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

22 18. This Stipulated Settlement and Disciplinary Order is intended by the parties to be an
23 integrated writing representing the complete, final, and exclusive embodiment of their agreement.
24 It supersedes any and all prior or contemporaneous agreements, understandings, discussions,
25 negotiations, and commitments (written or oral). This Stipulated Settlement and Disciplinary
26 Order may not be altered, amended, modified, supplemented, or otherwise changed except by a
27 writing executed by an authorized representative of each of the parties.

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19. 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 ORDER

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that Automotive Repair Dealer Registration Number ARD 299514, Smog Check, Test-and-Repair, Station License Number RC 299514, Smog Check Inspector License Number EO 640894, Smog Check Repair Technician License Number EI 640894, and Vehicle Safety Technician License Number ST 640894 issued to Respondent Andres Grimaldo Bautista – Owner dba Main Automotive, are revoked. However, the revocations are stayed and Respondent is placed on probation for five (5) years on the following terms and conditions:

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

2. **Quarterly Reporting.** During the period of probation, Respondent 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.** Respondent 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.** Respondent shall provide BAR representatives unrestricted access to examine all vehicles (including parts) undergoing service, inspection, or repairs, up to and including the point of completion. Respondent shall also provide BAR representatives unrestricted access to all records pursuant to BAR laws and regulations.

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

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

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

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1 8. **Cost Recovery.** Respondent shall pay the Bureau of Automotive Repair \$7,506.39
2 for the reasonable costs of the investigation and enforcement of case number 79/24-14749. Any
3 agreement for a scheduled payment plan shall require full payment to be completed no later than
4 six (6) months before probation terminates. Respondent shall make payment by check or money
5 order payable to the Bureau of Automotive Repair and shall indicate on the check or money order
6 that it is for cost recovery payment for case number 79/24-14749. Any order for payment of cost
7 recovery shall remain in effect whether or not probation is tolled. Probation shall not terminate
8 until full cost recovery payment has been made. BAR reserves the right to pursue any other
9 lawful measures in collecting on the costs ordered and past due, in addition to taking action based
10 upon the violation of probation.

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

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

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ACCEPTANCE

I have carefully read the above Stipulated Settlement and Disciplinary Order and have fully discussed it with my attorney, Nicole Weil. I understand the stipulation and the effect it will have on my Automotive Repair Dealer Registration, Smog Check, Test-and-Repair, Station License, Smog Check Inspector License, Smog Check Repair Technician License, and Vehicle Safety Technician License. I enter into this Stipulated Settlement and Disciplinary Order voluntarily, knowingly, and intelligently, and agree to be bound by the Decision and Order of the Director of the Department of Consumer Affairs.

DATED: 04/13/2026


Andres Grimaldo (Apr 13, 2026 13:26:27 PDT)

ANDRES GRIMALDO BAUTISTA – OWNER
DBA MAIN AUTOMOTIVE
Respondent

I have read and fully discussed with Respondent Andres Grimaldo Bautista – Owner DBA Main Automotive the terms and conditions and other matters contained in the above Stipulated Settlement and Disciplinary Order. I approve its form and content.

DATED: 04/13/2026

Nicole Weil

NICOLE WEIL
Attorney for Respondent

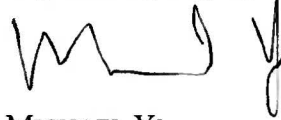
ENDORSEMENT

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

DATED: April 14, 2026

Respectfully submitted,

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