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### Areas of Expertise:

- ▶ Diminished Value
- ▶ Total Loss Claims
- ▶ Stolen Vehicles
- ▶ Defective Products
- ▶ Lemon Laws
- ▶ Defective Air Bags
- ▶ Repair Negligence
- ▶ Motor Homes
- ▶ Motorcycles
- ▶ Safety Recalls
- ▶ Engines Failures
- ▶ Trial Court Expert Witness Testimony
- ▶ National Insurance UMPIRE
- ▶ Actual Cash Value / Fair Market Value
- ▶ Classic Cars / Custom Vehicles
- ▶ Heavy Trucks, Trailers, and Tractors
- ▶ Dry Vans, Reefers, and Flatbeds
- ▶ Recreation Vehicle Appraisals
- ▶ Manufactured Housing / Mobile Homes
- ▶ Bankruptcy/ Divorce/ Estate/ Probate
- ▶ Used Car Dealer Fraud / DTPA
- ▶ Gray Market VIN's / Non-Disclosures
- ▶ J.D. Power Valuation Services
- ▶ Self-Insured / Liability Claims
- ▶ Loss of Use / Business Income
- ▶ Vehicle Market / Data Analyst
- ▶ Tax, Title & Registration Process
- ▶ Wholesale, Retail, Loan, Auction
- ▶ Bonded Titles / Lost Titles
- ▶ Mechanics Lien Foreclosures
- ▶ Unibody & Frame Repairs
- ▶ Crash Data Retrieval / CDR
- ▶ Event Data Recorder

### Professional Experience:

#### Houston Auto Appraisers

1998 – Present

#### IACP Certified Auto Appraiser / Court Expert Witness / Appraisal Clause UMPIRE

- ✓ Retained by Insurance Companies, Financial Companies, State and Local Governments, Attorneys, Dealers, Brokers, Investors, Realtors, Oil & Gas Companies, Refineries, Petrochemical Companies, Educational Organizations and private parties to provide 3<sup>rd</sup> party independent IACP Certified Appraisals.
- ✓ Testify in front of judges and juries during trial as court expert witness in Justice of Peace, Small Claims, District, Civil, Family, Federal and Criminal courts regarding diminished value, total loss, stolen vehicles, insurance bad faith claims, prior accident non-disclosures, and deceptive trade practices (DTPA).
- ✓ Classic Cars – 1926 to Present, Gray market vehicle identification numbers, no VIN's, and branded titles.
- ✓ Tractor / Trailers – long haul conventional, local/delivery, vocational, construction, med/light duty, levels 1-12 warranties, engines, transmissions, axles, suspensions, 5<sup>th</sup> wheel, frame, cab overs, sleepers and bodies.
- ✓ Recreational Vehicles – tow vehicles, truck campers, motor homes, travel trailers, fifth wheel trailers, park models, camping trailers, manufactured houses and mobile homes.
- ✓ Appointed as Court-Ordered Umpire, Mediator, and Arbitrator neutral involving Personal Auto Policy and Commercial Vehicle line insurance appraisal clause valuation disputes.
- ✓ Expert knowledge of Classics, Exotics, Muscle Cars, Recreational Vehicles, Vintage and Retro Motorcycles.

### Certifications:

J.D. Power and Associates / NADA – New & Used Passenger Car & Truck Valuation Expert

Texas Licensed Arbitrator & Mediator – University of Houston Law Center 2016

Bureau of Certified Auto Appraisers - IACP Certified Auto Appraiser #997911001 (40-hour training & testing)

CCC/ Mitchel/ Audatex/ Web-Est Vehicle Collision Damage Estimator & Appraiser - 2003

Information for Police Technology Management IPTM – Auto Accident Reconstruction – 2000

Uniform Standards of Professional Appraisal Practices (USPAP) – 2000

### Technical Training – Continuing Education:

- ▶ Major Auto Accident Reconstruction – Information for Police Technology Management (IPTM) Florida – 2000
- ▶ Shopware USA – 12 Part course on Auto Body Repair, Structural Analysis, and Damage Repair – Analyzing collision forces, unibody structural damage, measuring structural damage, determining repair methods, tool selection, calculating labor costs, and dealing with evasive insurance adjusters.
- ▶ I-Car Collision Specialist, ASE Certified Auto Mechanic, ASE Certified Diesel Repair Technician