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**STATE OF WISCONSIN
BEFORE THE AUCTIONEER BOARD**

IN THE MATTER OF THE DISCIPLINARY :
PROCEEDINGS AGAINST :
 : **FINAL DECISION AND ORDER**
UNITED STATES LIQUIDATORS, INC. :
RESPONDENT :
 : **LS0507191AUC**

Division of Enforcement Case File #'s: **02 AUC 034; 03 AUC 001; 03 AUC 005; 03 AUC013**

The parties to this action for the purposes of Wis. Stat. § 227.53 are:

Attn: Moshen Hamidi
United States Liquidators, Inc.
257 Sunset Park Drive
Herndon, VA 20710

Auctioneer Board
P.O. Box 8935
Madison, WI 53708 8935

Department of Regulation and Licensing
Division of Enforcement
P.O. Box 8935
Madison, WI 53708 8935

The parties in these matters agree to the terms and conditions of the attached Stipulation as the final decision of the matter(s), subject to the approval of the Auctioneer Board (Board). The Board has reviewed the Stipulation agreement annexed to this Final Decision and Order, and considers it acceptable. Accordingly, the Board adopts the attached Stipulation and makes the following:

FINDINGS OF FACT

1. Respondent United States Liquidators, Inc. ("USL") is registered as an Auction Company in the State of Wisconsin having license number #053-00271. This license was first granted on 08/22/02.
2. USL's most recent address on file with the Department of Regulation and Licensing ("Department") is: 257 Herndon, Virginia 20170.
3. Moshen Hamidi is the listed owner of USL. Mr. Hamidi is not licensed as an auctioneer in the State of Wisconsin. As a registered auction company in the State of Wisconsin, USL was and is at all times relevant to this action responsible for compliance under Wisconsin Statutes, chapter 480 and the Wisconsin Administrative Code for Auctioneers and Auction Companies, chapters 123 and 126.
4. On or about August 14, 2002, the Department received a complaint against USL alleging that USL was engaging in unl practice by holding an auction in Madison, Wisconsin on August 17, 2002 without a Wisconsin registered auction company lics. The complaint also alleged that the advertisement for the August 17, 2002 auction was in violation of the advertising rules under Chapter RL 123 of the Wisconsin Administrative Code. A copy of the advertisement is attached as **Exhibit 1** and is incorpora herein by reference.
5. An investigation conducted by the Department revealed that on August 17, 2002, USL was not registered as a Wisconsin auction company. The investigation also revealed that the advertisement for the August 17, 2002 auction was not in compliance with the rules under Chapter RL 123 of the Wisconsin Administrative Code. The advertisement failed to include the following information:

- (a) the name of the licensed Auctioneer who would be conducting the auction;
- (b) the statement “Registered Wisconsin Auctioneer”; and
- (c) the statement “Buyers Fee” or “Buyer’s Surcharge” which indicates a condition of sale for the prospective buyer.

6. On or about August 14, 2002, Mr. Hamidi was immediately notified by the Department of the advertising and unlicensed violations. Mr. Hamidi stated that USL would comply with the rules and regulations that govern auctioneering in Wisconsin. On or about August 22, 2002, Department records indicated that USL was registered as an auction company.

7. During the course of pursuing disciplinary action against USL for the August 22, 2002 auction; three more complaints against USL were received by the Department. All three complaints were received between January 17, 2003 and June 6, 2003. All three complaints alleged that USL failed to comply with the advertising rules for auctioneers under Wisconsin Administrative Code. The complaints involved auctions that took place throughout Wisconsin on the following dates of: January 18, 2003, January 19, 2003, March 30, 2003, and May 31, 2003. Copies of the advertisements are attached as **Exhibits 2-5** and are incorporated herein by reference.

8. A further investigation conducted by the Department revealed that the advertisements for the above-mentioned auctions failed to include the following information:

- (a) the statement “Registered Wisconsin Auctioneer”; and
- (b) the statement “Buyers Fee” or “Buyer’s Surcharge” which indicates a condition of sale for the prospective buyer.

9. At all of the above-noted auctions, USL employed Vernon W. Wheat (#052-2053) to conduct auctions on behalf of the company.

10. In resolution of this matter, USL consents to the entry of the following Conclusions of Law and Order.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

- 1. The Auctioneer Board has jurisdiction to act in these matters pursuant to Wis. Stat. § 480.24.
- 2. The Auctioneer Board has authority to enter into this stipulated resolution of this matter pursuant to Wis. Stat. § 227.44(5).
- 3. Respondent United States Liquidators, Inc. has violated:
 - a. Wis. Stat. § 480.08 (1)(b) and Wisconsin Administrative Code, § RL 126.02 (2), by engaging in unlicensed practice when it conducted an auction within the State of Wisconsin without having first registered as an auction company; and
 - b. Wisconsin Administrative Code, § RL 123.03 (1)(2)(4), by failing to include the following information in one or more of their advertisements:
 - the name of the licensed Auctioneer who would be conducting the auction;
 - the statement “Registered Wisconsin Auctioneer”; and
 - the statement “Buyers Fee” or “Buyer’s Surcharge” which indicates a condition of sale for the prospective buyer.
- 4. The license of USL is subject to discipline per Wis. Stat. § 480.24.

ORDER

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED, that the attached Stipulation is hereby accepted.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Respondent United States Liquidators, Inc. (#053-00271) are hereby **REPRIMANDED** for the conduct set out above.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, that Respondent United States Liquidators shall pay costs in this matter in the amount of **ONE THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$1,800.00)** within thirty (30) days from the date of this order. Payment shall be made by **certified check or money order**, payable to the Wisconsin Department of Regulation and Licensing and sent to:

**Department Monitor
Division of Enforcement
Department of Regulation and Licensing
P.O. Box 8935
Madison, WI 53708-8935
Telephone (608) 267-3817
Fax (608) 266-2264**

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, that in the event that United States Liquidators, Inc., fails to timely submit payment of the costs as set forth above, United States Liquidators, Inc., auction company license # 053-00271 **SHALL BE SUSPENDED**, without further hearing and without further Order of the Board, and said suspension shall continue until the full amount of said costs has been paid to the Department of Regulation and Licensing and their failure to pay the costs shall be considered a violation of this Order by the Board.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, that files. 02 AUC 034, 03 AUC 001, 03 AUC 005, and 03 AUC 013 be, and hereby is, closed as to United States Liquidators.

Dated at Madison, Wisconsin this 19th day of July, 2005.

AUCTIONEER BOARD

Mark Shain
Member of the Auctioneer Board

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AUCTION

Seized and confiscated property previously held, sold, and released by Government Agencies, Police Depart-
ments, Prisons, Company liquidations, contents of abandoned safety deposit boxes & other sources
ART: Original Watercolor by Tarkenton, Original Signed Picasso, Original Picasso Paint-
ing, Patek Philippe, Original Exchange by Rembrandt, Rembrandt, Heger, Monet and Car-
Picasso, French Signed Etr, Knoll, Plus Over 125 Other Fine Art Pieces. **JEWELRY:**
WATCHES: Over 10 Rolex Watches including Ladies & Men's Swissmade, Also Cartier, etc.
Over 200 Lots of Fine Designer Jewelry including MK Sapphire and Diamond Suite totaling
the, Cartier Style Panther Necklace with 26 ctw of Diamonds, 35 ctw Diamond Necklace App-
ly Ruby Berles & Orlene for \$62,500, 10 ctw Diamond Studs, Large Diamond Solitaire from
ct, Large Carat Diamond Brooches, Necklaces, & More. **FURS:** Over 40 Brand New Des-
Furs including Russian Sable, Mink, Lynx & Much More. With No Minimum.

Most Items Sold With No Reserve - No Minimum
SATURDAY, AUGUST 17, 2002
MARRIOTT MADISON WEST

1313 JOHN D HAMMONS DRIVE • MADISON, WISCONSIN 53762

For detailed descriptions, please call the hotel. (608) 431-2000

RUGS: Over One Million Dollar Inventory of Handmade Rugs From Iran including Five Te-
Kashan, Kerman, Nain, Isfahan, Mashad, and More From Runner to Palace Sizes. **COINS:**
US & Foreign Gold & Silver Coins. **BRONZES:** Fine Large Size Bronze Statues From M
Korean Artistic. **CRYSTAL:** Liqueur, Decanter, Bismarck. **PORCELAIN:** Wedgwood, Sar-
and Others. **COLLECTIBLES:** Signed European Art (Reno, Matisse, Picasso, Pollock, etc.)
Lithos, and Signed Paintings. **FURNITURE:** Antique, New American and European
SPORTS MEMORABILIA: Autographed Negro League Bat, Autographed Photos and
All items guaranteed genuine as described. Full payment day of sale. Sale subject to delay
Cash & major credit cards accepted.

NO CHECKS. 15% Buyer's Premium. Questions, please call
United States Liquidators, Inc. - 800-738-6790 or visit our website at
www.unitedstatesliquidators.com

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WISN-TV MADISON

TONIGHT on LIVE at FIVE

Let's Go Bowling! Mark and Katy find out what Madison keepers think is the best bowling alley in town as we count us our luck at the Best of Madison

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SEIZED & CONFISCATED HIGH END MERCHANDISE

A U C T I O N

Seized and confiscated property previously held, sold, and released by US Customs, Police Departments, and other Government Agencies, Banks, Finance Company repossessions, contents of abandoned safety deposit boxes & other consignors.

ART: ORIGINAL OIL ON CANVAS AND DRAWING BY LOUIS ICART, ORIGINAL PASTEL BY PAULEMILLE PISSARRO ORIGINAL WATERCOLOR & OIL ON CANVAS BY TARKAY, ORIGINAL OIL ON CANVAS BY LUDVIC RODO PISSARRO ORIGINAL ETCHING BY CAMILLE PISSARRO, ORIGINAL ERTE BRONZE, ORIGINAL PENCIL SIGNED PICASSO, CHAGALL, MIRO, SERGON, DALI, PETER MAX, ERTE, ICART, MCKNIGHT, MATISSE AND OTHERS. ORIGINAL ETCHINGS BY REMBRANDT, RENOIR, DEGAS, AND MANET, PLUS OVER 120 OTHER FINE ART PIECES BY MARY CASSATT, LAUTREC, VAN GOGH, BRAQUE, DELACROIX AND MANY MORE. **JEWELRY & WATCHES:** OVER 15 ROLEX WATCHES INCLUDING LADIES & MEN'S PRESIDENTIAL, ALSO CARTIER, PATEK PHILLIPE, PIAGET & OTHERS, OVER 200 LOTS OF FINE DESIGNER JEWELRY, 35CTW DIAMOND NECKLACE, 6.15CTW DIAMOND RING SOLITAIRE, LARGE DIAMOND SOLITAIRE FROM 2CT-7CT, & MORE. **FURS:** OVER 40 BRAND NEW DESIGNER FURS INCLUDING RUSSIAN SABLE, MINK, LYNX & MUCH MORE.

MOST ITEMS SOLD WITH NO RESERVE - NO MINIMUM

SATURDAY, JANUARY 18, 2003
EXHIBITION HALL AT ALLIANT ENERGY CENTER

1919 ALLIANT ENERGY CENTER WAY * MADISON, WISCONSIN 53713

For detailed directions, please call: (608) 267-3976

RUGS: Over One Million Dollar Inventory of Handmade Rugs From Iran Including Palace Size 19x34 Fine Nain, Fine Tabriz, Kashan, Kerman, Nain, Isfahan, Mashad, and More From Runner to Palace Size.

COINS: Rare US & Foreign Gold & Silver Coins.

BRONZES: Fine Large Size Bronze Statues and Fountains From Well-Known Artists. **CRYSTAL:** Baccarat, Bohemia. **PORCELAIN:** Wedgwood, Satsuma and Others. **COLLECTIBLES:** Signed European Art Glass, Puffy & Galilee Lamps, and Sanlini Figurines. **FURNITURE:** Antique, New American and European.

SPORTS MEMORABILIA: Autographed Bats, Autographed Photos and More. All items guaranteed genuine as described. Full payment day of sale. Sale subject to deletions Cash & major credit cards accepted. NO CHECKS.

15% Buyer's Premium. Auctioneer, Wayne Wheat License No. 2053-052. Questions, please call.

United States Liquidators, Inc. - 800-738-6790 or visit our website at: www.uslauction.com

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SEIZED & CONFISCATED HIGH END MERCHANDISE AUCTION

Seized and confiscated property previously held, sold, and released by US Customs, Police Department, and other Government Agencies. Bids, Palace Company representations, contents of confiscated sales depend upon the items and their condition.

ART: ORIGINAL OIL ON CANVAS AND DRAWING BY LOUIS KART, ORIGINAL PASTEL BY PAULEMILLE PISSARRO, ORIGINAL WATERCOLOR & OIL ON CANVAS BY TARKAY, ORIGINAL OIL ON CANVAS BY LUDVIC RODO PISSARRO, ORIGINAL ETCHING BY CAMILLE PISSARRO, ORIGINAL ERTE BRONZE, ORIGINAL PENCIL SIGNED PICASSO, CHAGALL, MIRO, SERGON, DALI, PETER MAX, ERTE, ICART, HCKNIGHT, MATISSE AND OTHERS, ORIGINAL ETCHINGS BY REMBRANDT, REMOR, DEGAS, AND MANET, PLUS OVER 120 OTHER FINE ART PIECES BY MARY CASSATT, LAUTREC, VAN GOGH, BRAQUE, DELACROIX AND MANY MORE. **JEWELRY & WATCHES:** OVER 15 ROLEX WATCHES INCLUDING LADIES & MEN'S PRESIDENTIAL ALSO CARTIER, PATEK, PHILIPPE, PIAGET & OTHERS, OVER 200 LOTS OF FINE DESIGNER JEWELRY, 18CTW DIAMOND NECKLACE, 18CTW DIAMOND RING, SOLITAIRE, LARGE DIAMOND SOLITAIRE FROM 2CT TO 15 MORE. **FURS:** OVER 30 BRAND NEW DESIGNER FURS INCLUDING RUSSIAN SABLE, MINK, LYNX & MUCH MORE.

MOST ITEMS SOLD WITH NO RESERVE-NO MINIMUM

SUNDAY, JANUARY 19, 2003
THE PFISTER

424 EAST WISCONSIN AVENUE, MILWAUKEE, WISCONSIN 53202
For detailed directions, please call the hotel: (414) 273-8722

RUGS: Over One Million Dollar Inventory of Handmade Rugs From Iran Including Palace Size 19x34 Fine Nain, Fine Tabriz, Kashan, Kerman, Nain, Isfahan, Mashad, and More From Runner to Palace Size.

COINS: Rare US & Foreign Gold & Silver Coins. **BRONZES:** Fine Large Size Bronze Statues and Fountains From Well-Known Artists. **CRYSTAL:** Baccarat, Bohemia. **PORCELAIN:** Wedgwood, Satsuma and Others. **COLLECTIBLES:** Signed European Art Glass, Pulley & Galilee Lamps, and Santini Figurines. **FURNITURE:** Antique, New American and European.

SPORTS MEMORABILIA: Autographed Bats, Autographed Photos and More. All items guaranteed genuine as described. Full payment day of sale. Sale subject to delinquent Cash & major credit cards accepted. NO CHECKS.

15% Buyer's Premium. Auctioneer, Wayne Wheat License No. 2053-012. Questions, please call United States Liquidators, Inc., 800-734-6750 or visit our website at: www.usli-auction.com

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Sold and confiscated property previously held, sold, and released by US Customs, Police Departments, and other Government Agencies, Banks, Forensic Company representations, contents of abandoned safety deposit boxes & other consignments.

ART: ORIGINAL WORKS OF ART BY LOUIS ICART, H. CLAUDE PISSARRO, PAULEMILLE PISSARRO, ITZCHAK TARKAY, LUDVIC RODO PISSARRO, ORIGINAL ERTE BRONZE, ORIGINAL PENCIL SIGNED PICASSO, CHAGALL MIRO, SERGON, DALI, PETER MAX, ERTE, ICART, MCKNIGHT, MATISSE AND OTHERS. ORIGINAL ETCHINGS BY CAMILLE PISSARRO, REMBRANDT, REHOM, DEGAS, AND MANET, PLUS OVER 120 OTHER FINE ART PIECES BY MARY CASSATT, LAUTREC, VAN GOGH, BRAQUE, DELACROIX AND MANY MORE. **JEWELRY & WATCHES:** OVER 15 ROLEX WATCHES INCLUDING LADIES & MEN'S PRESIDENTIAL, ALSO CARTIER, PATEK PHILIPPE, PIAGET & OTHERS, OVER 200 LOTS OF FINE DESIGNER JEWELRY, 20CT DIAMOND NECKLACE VS1-GH, 5CT DIAMOND RING, LARGE CERTIFIED DIAMOND SOLITAIRE FROM 2CT-7CT, & MORE. **FURS:** OVER 40 BRAND NEW DESIGNER FURS INCLUDING RUSSIAN SABLE, MINK, LYNX & MUCH MORE.

*** MOST ITEMS SOLD WITH NO RESERVE - NO MINIMUM**
SUNDAY, MARCH 30, 2003
THE PFISTER

424 EAST WISCONSIN AVENUE • MILWAUKEE, WISCONSIN 53202
For detailed directions, please call the hotel: (414) 273-8222

RUGS: Over One Million Dollar Inventory of Handmade Rugs From Iran including Masterpiece Fino Nain, Fine Tabriz, Kashan, Kerman, Nain, Isfahan, Mashad, and More From Runner to Palace Size.
COINS: Rare US & Foreign Gold & Silver Coins. **BRONZES:** Fine Large Size Bronze Statues and Fountains From Well-Known Artists. **CRYSTAL:** Baccarat, Bohemia. **PORCELAIN:** Wedgwood, A. Santini, Satsuma and Others. **COLLECTIBLES:** Signed European Art Glass, Pulley & Gallie Lamps, and Santini Figurines. **FURNITURE:** Antique, New American and European.
SPORTS MEMORABILIA: Autographed Balls, Autographed Photos and More. All items guaranteed genuine as described. Full payment day of sale. Sale subject to deletion. Cash & major credit cards accepted. NO CHECKS.

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Seized and confiscated property previously held, sold, and released by US Customs, Police Departments, and other Government Agencies, Banks, Finance Company repossessions, contents of abandoned safety deposit boxes & other consignors.

ART: ORIGINAL WORKS OF ART BY MCKNIGHT, LOUIS ICART, TARKAY, H. CLAUDE, PAULEMILLE AND KATIA PISSARRO, ORIGINAL ERTE AND ANGELO BASSO BRONZES, ORIGINAL PENCIL SIGNED PICASSO, CHAGALL, MIRO, SERGON, DALI, PETER MAX, ERTE, ICART, MCKNIGHT, MATISSE AND OTHERS. ORIGINAL ETCHINGS BY CAMILLE PISSARRO, REMBRANDT, RENOIR, DEGAS, AND MANET, PLUS OVER 120 OTHER FINE ART PIECES BY MARY CASSATT, LAUTREC, VAN GOGH, BRAQUE, DELACROIX, RARE AFRICAN ART AND MORE. **JEWELRY & WATCHES:** OVER 10 ROLEX WATCHES INCLUDING LADIES & MEN'S PRESIDENTIAL, ALSO CARTIER, PATEK PHILLIPE, PIAGET & OTHERS, OVER 200 LOTS OF FINE DESIGNER JEWELRY, 35CTW DIAMOND NECKLACE, LARGE CERTIFIED DIAMOND SOLITAIRE FROM 2CT-7CT, AND MORE. **FURS:** OVER 40 BRAND NEW DESIGNER FURS INCLUDING RUSSIAN SABLE, MINK, LYNX & MUCH MORE.

MOST ITEMS SOLD WITH NO RESERVE- NO MINIMUM

SATURDAY, MAY 31, 2003
MARRIOTT MADISON WEST

1313 JOHN Q. HAMMONS DRIVE * MIDDLETON, WISCONSIN 53562

For detailed directions, please call the hotel: (608) 831-2000

RUGS: Over One Million Dollar Inventory of Handmade Rugs From Iran including Masterpiece Fine Nain, Fine Tabriz, Kashan, Kerman, Nain, Isfahan, Mashad, and More From Runner to Palace Size.

COINS: Rare US & Foreign Gold & Silver Coins.

BRONZES: Fine Large Size Bronze Statues and

Fountains From Well-Known Artists. **CRYSTAL:** Baccarat, Bohemia. **PORCELAIN:** Wedgewood, Sateuma and Others. **COLLECTIBLES:** Signed European Art Glass, Puffy & Galtee Lamps, and

Santini Figurines. **FURNITURE:** Antique, New American and European Fine Furniture.

SPORTS MEMORABILIA: Autographed Bats, Autographed Photos and More. All items guaranteed genuine as described. Full payment day of sale. Sale subject to deletions Cash & major credit cards accepted: NO CHECKS.

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