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STATE OF WISCONSIN  
BEFORE THE AUCTIONEER BOARD

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IN THE MATTER OF THE DISCIPLINARY	:	
PROCEEDINGS AGAINST	:	FINAL DECISION AND ORDER
	:	
JOHN LASKO,	:	
RESPONDENT.	:	ORDER 0000472
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Division of Enforcement Case No. 08 AUC 008

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

John Lasko  
d/b/a Coulee Region Auction Co.  
622 So. Court St. #305  
Sparta, WI 54656

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

Department of Regulation and Licensing  
Division of Enforcement  
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PROCEDURAL HISTORY

The parties in this matter agree to the terms and conditions of the attached Stipulation as the final disposition of this matter, subject to the approval of the Board. The Board has reviewed this Stipulation and considers it acceptable.

Accordingly, the Board in this matter adopts the attached Stipulation and makes the following:

FINDINGS OF FACT

1. Respondent John Lasko d/b/a Coulee Region Auction Co. is licensed in the State of Wisconsin as an Auction Company, having license # 053-138. This license was first granted to it on 8/1/1995 and is current through 12/14/2010. The most recent address on file with the

Department of Regulation and Licensing for Mr. Lasko is 622 So. Court St. #305, Sparta, WI 54656.

2. Mr. Lasko employed Darol E. Linse as an auctioneer. Mr. Linse's Auctioneer license (#052-790) has been expired since 12/31/2004.

3. The Department of Regulation and Licensing received a complaint on February 26, 2008 against Mr. Linse for acting as an auctioneer without a license.

4. Mr. Linse called six auctions for Mr. Lasko between 2005 and 2006 while his auctioneer license was expired.

5. In resolution of this matter, Respondent John Lasko consents to the entry of the following Conclusions of Law and Order.

#### CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

1. The Wisconsin Auctioneer Board has jurisdiction to act in this matter pursuant to Wis. Stat. § 480.24, and is authorized to enter into the attached Stipulation pursuant to Wis. Stat. § 227.44(5).

2. Respondent John Lasko d/b/a Coulee Region Auction Co. has violated Wis. Stat. § 480.24(2)(b) by engaging in conduct evidencing a lack of knowledge or ability to apply professional principles or skills by failing to develop and implement a policy for checking the licensure of its employee auctioneers, as described in paragraph 5 of the Findings of Fact.

3. As a result of these violations, John Lasko is subject to discipline pursuant to Wis. Stat. § 480.24 and 480.26(2).

#### ORDER

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that:

1. The **VOLUNTARY SURRENDER** of the auction company license of John Lasko d/b/a Coulee Region Auction Co. (license # 053-138) is hereby **ACCEPTED**.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that:

2. Respondent John Lasko d/b/a Coulee Region Auction Co. shall not apply to renew or reinstate its Wisconsin Auction Company license.

3. Respondent John Lasko d/b/a Coulee Region Auction Co. shall not practice or attempt to practice as an Auction Company without being licensed in Wisconsin.

