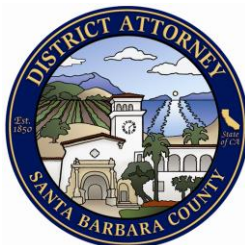


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**Re: *People v. Alysha Hibson et al, Case No. 18CR08914; in relation to Mid State Motorsports***

Santa Barbara County District Attorney Joyce E. Dudley announced today that felony and misdemeanor charges have been filed against the former owner of Mid State Motorsports in Lompoc, Alysha Marie Hibson, and two ex-employees of the dealership, Karl Wolfgang Bischoff and Daniel Merlin Davis. The charges stem from alleged illegal conduct related to several vehicle sales transactions at the dealership, which is now closed.

Alysha Marie Hibson is charged with two counts of grand theft, in violation of Penal Code section 487(a), a felony, grand theft auto, in violation of Penal Code section 487(d)(1), a felony, and three counts of employing an unlicensed vehicle salesperson, in violation of Vehicle Code section 11713(h), a misdemeanor.

Karl Wolfgang Bischoff is charged with three counts of acting as a vehicle salesperson without a license, in violation of Vehicle Code section 11800, a misdemeanor.

Daniel Merlin Davis is charged with grand theft, in violation of Penal Code section 487(a), a felony.

Defendants Hibson and Bischoff have appeared in court and pled not guilty to the charges. Defendant Davis has not appeared in court and a warrant has been issued for his arrest. The case will be heard again on June 18, 2019 in the Lompoc division of the Santa Barbara Superior Court.

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