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Professional Profile

I have spent 20 years working in collision repair and vehicle valuation. My experience in repair shops involved writing estimates, supervising repairs and working through disputes over repair costs and methods. In 2017, I founded Wreck Check Atlanta to focus on diminished value, total loss valuations and post-repair inspections. Since then, I have prepared appraisals in more than 10,000 diminished value and total loss matters and testified as an appraiser in courts throughout Georgia.

Before starting Wreck Check Atlanta, I spent more than a decade managing collision repair operations. That hands-on experience still informs how I evaluate damage, repair quality and vehicle value. I also hold a Georgia used motor vehicle dealer (broker) license and remain active in vehicle sales.

Areas of Expertise

- Inherent and repair-related diminished value
- Total loss and actual cash value valuations
- Appraisal clause proceedings
- Post-repair inspections and repair-quality evaluations
- Collision damage analysis and estimates
- Used-vehicle pricing, wholesale markets and dealer operations
- Collision shop operations, management and production systems

Professional Experience

Owner and Licensed Auto Damage Appraiser

March 2017 – Present

Wreck Check Atlanta · Atlanta, Georgia

- Founded Wreck Check Atlanta and provide appraisal services.
- Prepared appraisals in more than 10,000 diminished value and total loss matters.
- Evaluate diminished value, total loss and gap insurance claims; conduct post-repair inspections and assess repair quality.
- Apply ASE collision estimating and structural repair training, together with I-CAR appraiser training, to damage analysis and valuation.
- Testify as an expert in civil courts throughout the State of Georgia.

Owner and Licensed Broker

August 2021 – Present

Sweeney's Auto Sales · Alpharetta, Georgia

- Buy and sell used vehicles, negotiate prices and prepare vehicle purchase contracts.

General Manager

October 2016 – September 2017

Osborne Bodyworks · Lilburn, Georgia

- Wrote more than 500 repair estimates and repair plans.
- Negotiated repair costs with insurers and customers.
- Managed the shop's finances, daily operations and production schedule.
- Introduced a process to improve repair turnaround.

Front End Estimator and Supplement Coordinator

July 2016 – October 2016

Performance Auto Collision · Alpharetta, Georgia

- Wrote more than 300 estimates and repair plans.
- Worked with insurance adjusters to review damage, repair procedures and supplemental estimates.

Vice President and General Manager

May 2006 – June 2016

Cherokee Collision Centers · Marietta & Canton, Georgia

- Wrote more than 20,000 repair plans and vehicle estimates.
- Oversaw collision repair operations.
- Increased monthly sales by approximately 153% while hiring, training and supervising estimators and technicians.
- Earned OEM collision repair certifications for Honda, Acura, Chevrolet, General Motors, Infiniti, Hyundai, Nissan, Ford and Ford Aluminum.
- Introduced 5S, Six Sigma and Theory of Constraints practices and developed procedures for office and production staff.
- Worked with CCC ONE, Audatex (ADP) and Mitchell UltraMate estimating platforms.

Used Car Internet Sales Manager

June 2003 – May 2007

Gene's Machines · Marietta, Georgia

- Sold used vehicles to online customers.
- Prepared daily, weekly and monthly sales reports.

State Licenses

North Carolina: Motor-Vehicle Damage Appraiser

North Carolina Department of Insurance · License/NPN 19208556

Issued June 25, 2019 · Valid until cancelled

South Carolina: Appraiser, Auto Physical Damage (Nonresident)

South Carolina Department of Insurance · License 19208556

Issued September 24, 2026 · Expires October 31, 2027

Georgia: Used Motor Vehicle Dealer (Broker), Sweeney's Auto Sales

Georgia Secretary of State, State Board for the Registration of Used Motor Vehicle and Parts Dealers · UCAR049925

Issued November 23, 2021 · Expires September 30, 2028

Professional Certifications and Training

ASE Certified Collision Repair Estimator

B6R Damage Analysis & Estimating · National Institute for Automotive Service Excellence · ASE-1965-0673

ASE Certified Collision Repair Technician

B4R Structural Analysis & Repair · National Institute for Automotive Service Excellence · ASE-1965-0673

I-CAR Auto Physical Damage Appraiser

ProLevel 1, 2 and 3 completed · I-CAR ID 2705857

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Estimator; Structural Technician; Refinish Technician; Electrical/Diagnostics Technician; Mechanical Technician · ID 2705857

I-CAR ProLevel 3

Production Management · ID 2705857

Mobile Air Conditioning Society (MACS) Certified

MACS Worldwide · ID 1119724

I-CAR OEM network affiliations: Audi Network (Oct 7, 2016) and GM Collision Repair Network (ID 259231; Mar 5, 2014).

Additional Industry Training

- AkzoNobel Process Centered Environment (PCE) Boot Camp and PCE Users Group
- AkzoNobel National Performance Group participant and AkzoNobel 5S Class
- Discover Leadership Training: Game Changer Program

Education

Bachelor of Science in Business Administration

Auburn University · Auburn, Alabama · August 2003 – May 2007

Professional Affiliations

- Georgia Independent Automobile Dealers Association (GIADA), member since 2021

Software and Systems Proficiency

CCC ONE · Audatex (ADP) · Mitchell UltraMate · ABS Management · Summit CRS · ALLDATA · PMCLLogic · PartsTrader · OEConnection · Salesforce · QuickBooks · CARFAX · AutoCheck · Adobe · Microsoft Office Suite