# Pennsylvania State Board of Auctioneer Examiners Newsletter

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## **Trading Assistant Registration**

On Oct. 8, Governor Edward G. Rendell signed into law Senate Bill No. 908, which amended the Auctioneer and Auction Licensing Act to create the new class of trading assistants who will be regulated under the Auctioneer Licensing and Trading Assistant Registration Act.

Trading assistants are individuals who, for a commission or fee, conduct or intend to conduct a business within this commonwealth accepting personal property to sell on behalf of another through an online bidding platform.

The amended law and the application for trading assistant registration are available online at <a href="https://www.dos.state.pa.us/auct">www.dos.state.pa.us/auct</a> or by contacting the board office at 717-783-3397.

#### 2009 Renewals

The State Board of Auctioneer Examiners biennial online renewal period ended March 31, 2009. Licensees who did not renew their license(s) by that date may renew their license by the process of reactivation.

With the deadline past, licensees no longer have the ability to renew online and must contact the board office for a reactivation form. Late fees will apply.

Please contact the board office at 717-783-3397 or stauctioneer@state.pa.us.

## **Advertising**

At the recent meeting of the Pennsylvania Auctioneer Association, some attendees asked about the need to include license numbers in newspapers and other advertisements.

Please be advised that Section 17(a) of the Auctioneer and Auction Licensing Act states that, "It is unlawful for a person to advertise an auction or sale at auction without including in the advertisement or notice of sale, the name

and license number of the auctioneer, auction house and/or auction company conducting the sale."

Additionally, licensees should use their full, six-digit license number.

Cooperation not only ensures compliance with the board's advertising requirements, but it also assures the public as to the integrity of the business and its auctions.

## **Board Meeting Dates**

- May 11
- June 15, tentative
- July 13
- August 10, tentative
- September 14
- October 13, tentative
- November 9
- December 14, tentative

All meetings are scheduled for Harrisburg. Please contact the board office at (717) 783-3397 for specific location information.

#### Other News:

- Disciplinary Actions
- PA Becomes Smoke-Free

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