

## 2016 Current Fiscal Year Report: National Motor Vehicle Title Information System Advisory Board

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### 1. Department or Agency

Department of Justice

### 2. Fiscal Year

2016

### 3. Committee or Subcommittee

National Motor Vehicle Title Information  
System Advisory Board

### 3b. GSA

### Committee

### No.

73589

### 4. Is this New During Fiscal Year?

No

### 5. Current Charter

09/29/2014

### 6. Expected Renewal Date

09/29/2016

### 7. Expected Term Date

09/22/2016

### 8a. Was Terminated During Fiscal Year?

Yes

### 8b. Specific

Termination Authority

### 8c. Actual

Term Date

NMVTIS Final Rule, 74  
Fed. Reg. 5740, 5774

09/29/2016

### 9. Agency Recommendation for Next Fiscal Year

Terminate

### 10a. Legislation Req to Terminate?

No

### 10b. Legislation Pending?

Not Applicable

### 11. Establishment Authority

Agency Authority

### 12. Specific

### Establishment Authority

NMVTIS Final Rule, 74  
Fed. Reg. 5740, 5774

### 13.

### Effective Date

01/30/2009

### 14.

### Committee Type

Continuing

### 14c.

### Presidential?

No

### 15. Description of Committee

Other Committee

### 16a. Total

### Number of Reports

No Reports for  
this Fiscal Year

### 17a.

### Open

1

17b. Closed0

17c. Partially Closed0

Other Activities3

17d. Total4

### Meetings and Dates

Purpose

Start

End

This was a conference call meeting of the Awareness Subcommittee. The subcommittee was established to make recommendations to the full board for increasing consumer and law enforcement awareness of NMVTIS. 11/02/2015 - 11/02/2015

Convene full board to provide updates on the progress of the NMVTIS system and obtain input from advisory board members. 02/09/2016 - 02/09/2016

This was a conference call meeting of the Awareness Subcommittee. The subcommittee was established to make recommendations to the full board for increasing consumer and law enforcement awareness of NMVTIS. 04/18/2016 - 04/18/2016

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**Number of Committee Meetings Listed: 4**

	<b>Current FY</b>	<b>Next FY</b>
<b>18a(1). Personnel Pmts to Non-Federal Members</b>	\$0.00	\$0.00
<b>18a(2). Personnel Pmts to Federal Members</b>	\$0.00	\$0.00
<b>18a(3). Personnel Pmts to Federal Staff</b>	\$28,000.00	\$0.00
<b>18a(4). Personnel Pmts to Non-Member Consultants</b>	\$0.00	\$0.00
<b>18b(1). Travel and Per Diem to Non-Federal Members</b>	\$25,000.00	\$0.00
<b>18b(2). Travel and Per Diem to Federal Members</b>	\$0.00	\$0.00
<b>18b(3). Travel and Per Diem to Federal Staff</b>	\$0.00	\$0.00
<b>18b(4). Travel and Per Diem to Non-member Consultants</b>	\$0.00	\$0.00
<b>18c. Other(rents,user charges, graphics, printing, mail, etc.)</b>	\$0.00	\$0.00
<b>18d. Total</b>	\$53,000.00	\$0.00
<b>19. Federal Staff Support Years (FTE)</b>	0.20	0.00

**20a. How does the Committee accomplish its purpose?**

The NMVTIS Advisory Board advises BJA on:  
meeting the statutory goals of the system;  
ensuring participation of system stakeholders;  
implementing a system that is self-sustainable with user fees; creating opportunities for alternative revenue-generating streams;  
determining ways to enhance the technological capabilities of the system; and other issues that BJA may determine to be necessary.

**20b. How does the Committee balance its membership?**

The membership consists of representatives from key stakeholder groups, including law enforcement, state motor vehicle titling agencies, insurance carriers, junk and salvage yards, auto recyclers, auto industry organizations, consumer advocacy organizations, and technology partners.

**20c. How frequent and relevant are the Committee Meetings?**

Estimated Number of Meetings per Year - 3 (one in -person hosted at DOJ and 2 full board conference calls)

**20d. Why can't the advice or information this committee provides be obtained elsewhere?**

The NMVTIS Advisory Board is necessary to provide critical input and key recommendations to BJA's leadership regarding the effective and efficient administration of the NMVTIS program.

**20e. Why is it necessary to close and/or partially closed committee meetings?**

N/A

## 21. Remarks

The NMVTIS Advisory Board has been in place for six years (three separate board terms of two years each) and BJA believes it has contributed to the overall progress of the program during that time. BJA implemented a number of board recommendations over these years and has determined that the committee has accomplished its mission. BJA is committed to continuing to solicit input from NMVTIS stakeholders in such areas as financial self-sustainability, state and private sector reporting compliance, and awareness activities. BJA intends to convene focus groups to solicit individual input on these and other topics on an as needed basis.

## Designated Federal Officer

Todd Brighton Senior Policy Advisor

Committee Members	Start	End	Occupation	Member Designation
Binder, Mark	10/01/2014	09/22/2016	Farmers Insurance	Representative Member
Brown, Bernard	10/01/2014	09/22/2016	Attorney	Representative Member
DePasquale, Greg	10/01/2014	09/22/2016	Copart Auto Auction	Representative Member
Ferro, Anne	10/01/2014	09/22/2016	American Association of Motor Vehicle Administrators	Representative Member
Fitzgerald, Judith	10/01/2014	09/22/2016	National Insurance Crime Bureau	Representative Member
Hallerud, John	10/01/2014	09/22/2016	Federal Trade Commission	Representative Member
Hollis, Charles	10/01/2014	09/22/2016	Rhode Island Division of Motor Vehicles	Representative Member
Hopper, RD	10/01/2014	09/22/2016	Automotive Recyclers Association (Sonny's Auto Salvage)	Representative Member
Levetan, Steve	10/01/2014	09/22/2016	Pull-A-Part, LLC	Representative Member
Martins, Carlos	10/01/2014	09/22/2016	ISO Claimsearch	Representative Member

McDonold, Christopher	10/01/2014	09/22/2016	Maryland Vehicle Theft Prevention Council	Representative Member
Mehall, Ken	10/01/2014	09/22/2016	Computerized Vehicle Registration (CVR)	Representative Member
Nusbaum, Howard	10/01/2014	09/22/2016	National Salvage Vehicle Reporting Program	Representative Member
Petersen, Shaun	10/01/2014	09/22/2016	National Independent Automobile Dealers Association	Representative Member
Spiller, James	10/01/2014	09/22/2016	National Vehicle Service, NFPC	Representative Member
Timian, Jennifer	10/01/2014	09/22/2016	National Highway Traffic Safety Administration	Representative Member
Whiteside, Josh	10/01/2014	09/22/2016	Pennsylvania State Police	Representative Member
Wiener, Robin	10/01/2014	09/22/2016	Institute of Scrap Recycling Industries	Representative Member

### Number of Committee Members Listed: 18

### Narrative Description

The NMVTIS Advisory Board's objective is to provide critical input and key recommendations to BJA's leadership regarding the effective and efficient administration of the NMVTIS program. The NMVTIS Advisory Board will advise BJA on: meeting the statutory goals of the system; ensuring participation of system stakeholders; implementing a system that is self-sustainable with user fees; creating opportunities for alternative revenue-generating streams; determining ways to enhance the technological capabilities of the system; and other issues that BJA may determine to be necessary.

### What are the most significant program outcomes associated with this committee?

Checked if  
Applies

Improvements to health or safety  
Trust in government



- |   |                                     |
|---|-------------------------------------|
| Major policy changes                              | <input type="checkbox"/>            |
| Advance in scientific research                    | <input type="checkbox"/>            |
| Effective grant making                            | <input type="checkbox"/>            |
| Improved service delivery                         | <input type="checkbox"/>            |
| Increased customer satisfaction                   | <input type="checkbox"/>            |
| Implementation of laws or regulatory requirements | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| Other   | <input type="checkbox"/>            |

### Outcome Comments

Not Applicable

### What are the cost savings associated with this committee?

Checked if Applies

- |                            |                                     |
|----------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| None                       | <input type="checkbox"/>            |
| Unable to Determine        | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| Under \$100,000            | <input type="checkbox"/>            |
| \$100,000 - \$500,000      | <input type="checkbox"/>            |
| \$500,001 - \$1,000,000    | <input type="checkbox"/>            |
| \$1,000,001 - \$5,000,000  | <input type="checkbox"/>            |
| \$5,000,001 - \$10,000,000 | <input type="checkbox"/>            |
| Over \$10,000,000          | <input type="checkbox"/>            |
| Cost Savings Other         | <input type="checkbox"/>            |

### Cost Savings Comments

Not Applicable

### What is the approximate Number of recommendations produced by this committee for the life of the committee?

11

### Number of Recommendations Comments

Recommendations were made in three of the six years of the existence of this advisory board - 2012, 2015, and 2016. The individual recommendations and implementation status details are contained in the committee history for those years. The breakdown of the 11 recommendations are as follows: 2016 - 2 (50% - 1 of 2 implemented) 2015 - 3 (67% - 2 of 3 implemented) 2014 - 0 2013 - 0 2012 - 6 (83% - 5 of 6 implemented) 2011 - 0 2010 - 0 (newly established committee) The recommendations comment for 2016 is as follows: The

membership approved of two recommendations stemming from the February 9, 2016 in-person meeting. Recommendation 1: The NAB recommends that the DOJ formally change the name of the NMVTIS product, which currently goes by NMVTIS.gov and vehiclehistory.gov, to VIN.gov. Should this recommendation be accepted, all marketing, advertising and communication materials available to the public will need to be changed to reference VIN.gov instead of vehiclehistory.gov. Recommendation 2: The NAB recommends that BJA authorize AAMVA to spend up to \$22,000 of program income funding for the development of a NMVTIS branded video to replicate the Texas DMV's "Title Check" video found on their state website. The board felt that the video could be used by the other states participating in NMVTIS to promote consumer use of the system.

**What is the approximate Percentage of these recommendations that have been or will be Fully implemented by the agency?**

73%

**% of Recommendations Fully Implemented Comments**

Recommendations were made in three of the six years of the existence of this advisory board - 2012, 2015, and 2016. Comments specific to each of the recommendations stemming from 2012 and 2015 are contained in the committee history for those years. The following comments are for the 2016 recommendations. The Bureau of Justice Assistance (BJA), in consultation with the American Association of Motor Vehicle Administrators (AAMVA), who serves as system operator for the National Motor Vehicle Title Information System (NMVTIS), considered recommendation #2 the development of a NMVTIS branded video to replicate the Texas DMV's "Title Check" video found on their state website. BJA staff, AAMVA staff, and awareness subcommittee members will work together to implement the recommendation.

**What is the approximate Percentage of these recommendations that have been or will be Partially implemented by the agency?**

9%

**% of Recommendations Partially Implemented Comments**

Recommendation 1 - that over the next 12 months, BJA and AAMVA should work with members of the Awareness Subcommittee to identify specific steps to "rebrand" NMVTIS and emphasize a more consumer-friendly product is under consideration by BJA and AAMVA at this time. BJA is unable to implement this recommendation. NMVTIS contains title and brand histories for automobiles which is reflected in the current website name: vehiclehistory.gov. The proposed website name (VIN.gov) does not convey that NMVTIS includes title history, brand history, and junk yard, salvage yard, and insurance carrier

(JSI) history. In addition, BJA is in the process of including additional vehicle history information to the system, such as stolen data and lien information.

**Does the agency provide the committee with feedback regarding actions taken to implement recommendations or advice offered?**

Yes ☒ No ☐ Not Applicable ☐

**Agency Feedback Comments**

The Bureau of Justice Assistance (BJA) provides feedback and status updates to board members on the NMVTIS program and it's formal recommendations via email and conference calls in between the semi-annual meetings and through formal presentations as part of the board meeting.

**What other actions has the agency taken as a result of the committee's advice or recommendation?**

Checked if Applies

Reorganized Priorities	<input type="checkbox"/>
Reallocated resources	<input type="checkbox"/>
Issued new regulation	<input type="checkbox"/>
Proposed legislation	<input type="checkbox"/>
Approved grants or other payments	<input type="checkbox"/>
Other	<input type="checkbox"/>

**Action Comments**

Not Applicable

**Is the Committee engaged in the review of applications for grants?**

No

**Grant Review Comments**

Not Applicable

**How is access provided to the information for the Committee's documentation?**

Checked if Applies

Contact DFO	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Online Agency Web Site	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Online Committee Web Site	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Online GSA FACA Web Site	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>



Publications



Other



**Access Comments**

<http://www.vehiclehistory.gov/>