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RE: Concealed Weapon permit

Dear Mr. Lewis:

This letter is in response to an inquiry you sent to this office regarding your South Carolina handgun permit. Under O.C.G.A. § 16-11-126 (e), if the law of another state gives effect within that state to a valid Georgia weapons carry license, then a person licensed to carry a handgun by that state may carry a firearm in the State of Georgia just as if licensed in this state. You are correct, Georgia shares firearm permit reciprocity with the state of New Hampshire. But, it does not share reciprocity with South Carolina. As always you should familiarize yourself with the laws of any state you anticipate traveling to beforehand. You might review the above referenced statute.

Please note that this writing represents the thoughts and opinions of this writer only, and is not an opinion, either official or unofficial, of the Attorney General.

Sincerely,

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Assistant Attorney General