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Address

Re: Weapons Reciprocity Between Georgia and

Dear

Our records indicate that the State of Georgia and the State of ______ currently recognize each other's weapons permits. Over the last few years, Georgia's weapons permit laws have changed. Most notably, Georgia allows certain individuals under the age of twenty-one to obtain a weapons permit. Please see O.C.G.A. § 16-11-129, which I have included with this letter.

This year, Georgia also amended its weapons reciprocity statute, which now reads:

Any person licensed to carry a weapon in any other state whose laws recognize and give effect to a license issued pursuant to this part shall be authorized to carry a weapon in this state, but only while the licensee is not a resident of this state; provided, however, that ... No other state shall be required to recognize and give effect to a license issued pursuant to this part that is held by a person who is younger than 21 years of age.

O.C.G.A. § 16-11-126 (e), also included with this letter.

Given these changes, we write to determine whether the State of _____ will continue reciprocity with Georgia and whether your state will recognize all Georgia weapons licenses or only those issued to individuals aged twenty-one years and older. If the State of _____ continues to recognize all Georgia permits or only those issued to individuals twenty-one and older, Georgia will likewise continue to recognize all permits issued in _____.

Please review the attached statutes and fill out and return the attached form in the self-addressed envelope. If possible, we would greatly appreciate a response by ______. Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

Rebecca J. Dobras Assistant Attorney General