

STATE OF CONNECTICUT



DEPARTMENT OF EMERGENCY SERVICES AND PUBLIC PROTECTION DIVISION OF STATE POLICE Special Licensing & Firearms Unit



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Dear Attorney Fulkerson,


I am responding to your letter dated September 25, 2019, sent to the Board of Firearm Permit Examiners. In Connecticut, the Connecticut State Police Special Licensing and Firearms unit is tasked with regulating all matters related to pistol permitting and firearms.

We appreciate Ohio's interest in a reciprocity agreement for pistol permits, however the State of Connecticut does not recognize permits from other states. Additionally, the State Police does not have the authority to enter into a reciprocity agreement. This is regulated by statute. Such a negotiation and proposal would require a statutory change by the legislature and ultimate signature by the Governor.

If any Ohio resident wishes to carry a firearm in Connecticut, they may do so if they obtain a Connecticut permit. Pursuant to C.G.S. 29-28 (f), any bona fide resident of the United States having no bona fide residence or place of business within the jurisdiction of any local authority in the state, but who has a permit or license to carry a pistol or revolver issued by the authority of another state or subdivision of the United States, may apply directly to the Commissioner of Public Safety for a permit to carry a pistol or revolver in this state. All provisions of subsections (b), (c), (d) and (e) of this section shall apply to applications for a permit received by the commissioner under this subsection. Non-residents may apply and all information is available through our unit (860) 685-8494 or through our website at www.ct.gov/despp.

If I can be of any further assistance, please do not hesitate to contact me at (860) 685-8036.

Sincerely,


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