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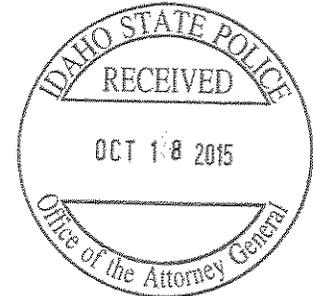


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Ms. Stephanie A. Altig
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RE: Concealed Handgun Permit Reciprocity

Ms. Stephanie A. Altig,

In response to your letter dated August 20, 2014 regarding the status of reciprocity as to concealed weapon permits between Louisiana and Idaho, Louisiana continues to recognize concealed weapon permit reciprocity with the State of Idaho. Louisiana Revised Statute 40:1379.3(T)(2) states:

A current and valid concealed handgun permit issued by another state to an individual having attained the age of twenty-one years shall be deemed to be valid for the out-of-state permit holder to carry a concealed weapon within this state if a current and valid concealed handgun permit issued by Louisiana is valid in those states.

Your August 20, 2014 letter states that "Idaho recognizes all other state's concealed weapons licenses." As a result of Idaho's recognition of Louisiana's concealed handgun permit, Louisiana recognizes Idaho's concealed weapon license and enhanced concealed weapon license. Louisiana Revised Statute 40:1379.3(T)(3) further states:

An out-of-state permit holder carrying a concealed handgun pursuant to this Paragraph is bound by the laws of this state regarding carrying a concealed handgun pursuant to a permit issued in accordance with this Section.

Revised Statute 40:1379.3(T)(2) and (T)(3) have two major implications for Idaho concealed weapons licensees desiring to use their concealed carry license in Louisiana. First, while the State of Louisiana will recognize concealed weapon's licenses and enhanced concealed weapons licenses issued by Idaho, the license will not be recognized if the licensee has not attained the age of twenty-one.

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Second, while Idaho authorizes individuals with concealed weapons licenses and enhanced concealed weapons licenses to carry a number of weapons, as set forth in Idaho Code § 18-3302(2), Louisiana's concealed handgun permit law only provides for the concealed carry of a handgun. As a result, individuals with an Idaho concealed weapons license or enhanced concealed weapons license desiring to use their license in Louisiana are only permitted to concealed carry a handgun in Louisiana.

If you have any questions or concerns regarding Idaho's concealed weapons license reciprocity with Louisiana, please feel free to contact me.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Sgt. Jason Shavers".

Sgt. Jason Shavers
Concealed Handgun Permit Unit