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May 6, 2015

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Dear Mr. Brady,

This letter is in response to the email you sent to the Orange County Sheriff's Department (OCS.D) Carry Concealed Weapon (CCW) Licensing Unit on Friday, April 24, 2015. I understand your concerns and would like to provide additional clarification regarding the issues outlined in the email.

As you know, we have identified approximately 2,500 applications that were in various stages of the CCW application process as of March 26, 2015. About 1,700 of those applicants' good cause statements had already been approved. After the good cause determination was made, those applicants were sent a written conditional approval notification referring them to the training requirement for further processing. Applicants who received written conditional approval notifications will not be required to provide additional good cause.

The remaining applicants that were in the earlier stages of the process and had not received a good cause determination may need to supplement their good cause statements to successfully satisfy this requirement. Our staff is still in the process of contacting these applicants and requesting additional information as needed.

Confusion related to this issue may have resulted from email communication between our staff and the applicants. Applicants whose good cause was already approved may have inadvertently received boilerplate email notifications from our staff indicating that they may need to supplement their good cause statement. Their inclusion in these email notifications was a clerical oversight and should be disregarded.

Mr. Sean Brady

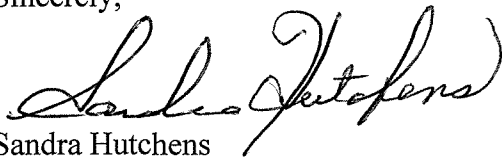
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In regards to applicants who claim to have been verbally (orally) directed to commence training, I can assure you that it is neither a policy nor a permitted practice of our department to verbally approve good cause or verbally direct applicants to commence training. However, if applicants believe they were told by our CCW Licensing Unit staff to commence training, they should contact our CCW Licensing Unit for further assistance and a review of the matter. If it is determined that an applicant was directed to commence training, that applicant's good cause statement will be accepted and his or her application will continue in the process accordingly.

Thank you for your ongoing interest in our department's CCW program and your commitment to the safe and responsible practice of carrying a concealed firearm. Please contact our CCW Licensing Unit if you have any additional questions or concerns.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Sandra Hutchens", written in a cursive style.

Sandra Hutchens  
Sheriff-Coroner



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