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Attorney General David W. Sunday, Jr.
Pennsylvania Office of Attorney General
Strawberry Square
Harrisburg, PA 17120

Dear Attorney General Sunday,

Some years ago, then Pennsylvania Attorney General Shapiro unexpectedly dropped recognition of Virginia's concealed handgun permits (CHPs). Virginia, however, has continued to unilaterally recognize Pennsylvania licenses to carry firearms.

Pennsylvania is an important state to large numbers of Virginia CHP holders, primarily as a destination, but also as a gateway to the Northeast.

Virginia CHP holders are exemplary citizens, as are permit holders from all other states. Our permit holders simply want to be able to protect themselves while visiting Pennsylvania and carrying under their Virginia permit, just as they do when visiting most other states.

As president of Virginia's largest grassroots gun-rights organization, I urge you to reestablish recognition of Virginia concealed handgun permits by the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact me. My cellphone number is 804-874-8235 and my email is president@vcdl.org.

Sincerely,

Philip Van Cleave
President