

NOTICE TO WEAPONS CARRY LICENSE APPLICANTS

Senate Bill 308, passed during the 2010 Session of the Georgia General Assembly, amended O.C.G.A. §16- 11-129 concerning the applications for Firearms Licenses. Pursuant to this law, the Probate Judge/Court is required "within five business days following the receipt of the application" to "direct the law enforcement agency to request" a fingerprint based criminal history records check, a NICS background check, and, if appropriate, a search of records maintained by the U.S. Bureau of Immigration and Customs Enforcement. The law further provides that the law enforcement agency "shall report to the judge of the probate court within 30 days, by telephone and in writing, of any findings relating to the applicant which may bear on his or her eligibility for a license.

Please be advised that this office will forward to Dade County Sheriff's Office a request for the criminal records searches required by law within five days of the receipt of your application. However, it is your responsibility to present yourself to the Dade County Sheriff's Office to be fingerprinted. Your failure to do so within five days after completing your application, or the inability of the Dade County Sheriff's Office to schedule or receive you for fingerprinting within five days, is beyond the control of the Probate Judge/Court.

It is this Court's intent and desire to comply fully with the new provisions of the licensing law, and we will do our part to see that your application is timely processed and that the search of the criminal history records is timely requested. However, we do not accept responsibility for your failure or inability to present yourself for fingerprinting within five days or any requirement of Dade County Sheriff's Office which delays the taking of your fingerprints beyond five days after your application is made.

Further, although the law requires the law enforcement agency to report the results of the criminal records searches within 30 days after the request is made to the law enforcement agency, this Court accepts no responsibility for any failure of the law enforcement agency to do so, particularly if that failure results from the failure of the GBI, the FBI, or ICE to provide the actual criminal history of an applicant within 30 days.

The foregoing Notice is hereby acknowledged by the undersigned applicant on this _____ day of _____, 20_____.

Signature of Applicant

Printed Name of Applicant

Applicant No. _____

Attested By:

Notary or Judge/Clerk of Probate Court