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**AG OFFICE REVIEWS COMPLAINTS OF VIOLATIONS OF ALABAMA GUN LAWS BY  
STATE DEPARTMENT OF LABOR, AND LEE AND PERRY COUNTY SHERIFF OFFICES**

(MONTGOMERY) - Attorney General Steven T. Marshall today released public statements about formal complaints received by the Attorney General's Office concerning possible unlawful prohibitions of firearms by the Alabama Department of Labor, the Lee County Sheriff's Office and the Perry County Sheriff's Office. After reviewing and investigating each complaint, the Attorney General's Office worked with the public entity to achieve compliance with state law.

The results of the Attorney General's Office investigations are summarized below, along with links to the determinations.

**Alabama Department of Labor**

A petitioner alleged that the Alabama Department of Labor failed to comply with Alabama law because it prohibited firearms at its non-rural Career Center locations around the state. After the Attorney General communicated with the Department of Labor, the signs prohibiting firearms were removed. Because the signs are removed, the Attorney General has determined that no further action is required.

<http://www.ago.alabama.gov/File-Firearms-2017-001-Public-Statements>

**Lee County Sheriff's Office**

A petitioner alleged that the Lee County Sheriff's Office failed to comply with Alabama law by issuing pistol permits that include incorrect language. A sheriff may revoke a pistol permit for any reason that could lead to the denial of a permit pursuant to Alabama Code Section 13A-11-75(a)(2)(a), and wide discretion is afforded to a sheriff in determining who is and who is not suitable for a pistol permit. The Attorney General has determined that the Sheriff of Lee County is not promulgating or enforcing any orders, ordinances, or rules in violation of Alabama law and that no further action is required.

<http://www.ago.alabama.gov/File-Firearms-2017-002-Public-Statements>

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### **Perry County Sheriff's Office**

A petitioner alleged that the Sheriff of Perry County prohibited citizens from openly carrying firearms in Perry County. After the Attorney General communicated with the Sheriff of Perry County, it was determined that the Sheriff does not require citizens to have pistol permits in order to openly carry firearms in Perry County. The Attorney General has determined that no further action is required.

<http://www.ago.alabama.gov/File-Firearms-2016-050-Public-Statements>

More detailed information for each of these cases and others can be found on the AG's web site:

<http://www.ago.alabama.gov/Page-Firearms-Alabama-Public-Statements-13A-11-61-3>