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VIA CERTIFIED MAIL



Re: Department of Human Resources

Dear 

On December 9, 2015 my Office received your petition under Ala. Code §13A-11-61.3 regarding a possible violation of Alabama law by the Department of Human Resources ("DHR"). Specifically, you alleged that DHR posted signs prohibiting weapons at the DHR office in Lawrence County.

My Office's investigation confirmed that DHR posted the signs. I asked DHR to explain its legal justification for prohibiting weapons at the DHR office in Lawrence County. DHR reviewed a redacted copy of your petition and the relevant portions of Alabama law. DHR explained that it employs a staff person at its office in Lawrence County to screen visitors during normal business hours. DHR also explained that the doors into the office area of the building are secured by a key pad so that the facility is accessible only to authorized persons. These conditions allow government buildings to prohibit the possession of firearms under Ala. Code § 13A-11-61.2(b). Accordingly, I have determined that there is no further action required under Ala. Code § 13A-11-61.3.

A redacted copy of this letter will be posted to my Office's website, in compliance with the statutory requirement under Ala. Code § 13A-11-61.3(f)(3).

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Luther Strange".

Luther Strange  
Attorney General

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