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AG STRANGE REVIEWS COMPLAINTS OF VIOLATIONS OF ALABAMA'S GUN LAW IN MARION AND DALLAS COUNTIES

(MONTGOMERY) – Attorney General Luther Strange today released a public statement about two formal complaints received by his office concerning possible unlawful prohibitions of firearms by the City of Hamilton in Marion County and by the Dallas County Commission. The results of the Attorney General's investigations follow, along with links to his determinations.

The Attorney General's Office reviewed a complaint that the E.T. Sims, Jr. Neighborhood Facilities Building and surrounding parks failed to comply with Alabama law because they prohibited firearms. After the Attorney General communicated with the city attorney, the City of Hamilton removed the signs prohibiting weapons from the building and parks. Because the signs are removed, the Attorney General has determined that no further action is needed. A link to this Attorney General's determination can be found at <http://www.ago.alabama.gov/File-Firearms-2016-002-Public-Statements>.

The Attorney General's Office reviewed a complaint that the Dallas County Commission failed to comply with Alabama law because it prohibited firearms at the Selma and Dallas County Chamber of Commerce. After the Attorney General communicated with the Commission, the signs prohibiting weapons were removed. Because the signs are removed, the Attorney General has determined that no further action is needed. The complainant also objected to the fact that the signs said they were provided by the sheriff. Because these signs have been removed and because a sheriff's discretionary decision to provide signs to his constituents is not an "order, ordinance, or rule" subject to a complaint under Alabama Code Section 13A-11-61.3(f)(1), the Attorney General has determined that no further action is needed. A link to this Attorney General's determination can be found at <http://www.ago.alabama.gov/File-Firearms-2016-001-Public-Statements>.

Information about these and previous determinations made by the Attorney General regarding possible unlawful prohibition of firearms can be found on the Attorney General's website at <http://www.ago.alabama.gov/Page-Firearms-Alabama-Public-Statements-13A-11-61-3>.

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