

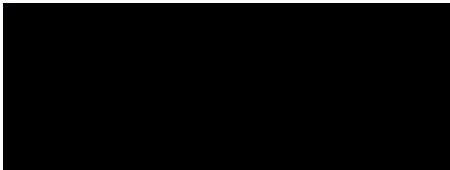
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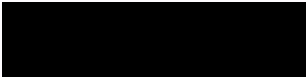
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Re: City of Birmingham – Southern Museum of Flight



On June 29, 2017, I received your petition regarding a possible violation of Ala. Code § 13A-11-61.3 by the City of Birmingham – Southern Museum of Flight. Specifically, you alleged that the Southern Museum of Flight posted signs prohibiting firearms.

My Office's investigation found that the signs prohibiting firearms at the Southern Museum of Flight were recently removed, but that the Southern Museum of Flight plans to replace the signs with more aesthetically pleasing versions later. Just as in Firearms Determination No. 2017-019 (Montgomery Zoo), the Southern Museum of Flight excludes unauthorized persons from entry and requires the purchase of an admission ticket to enter. *See also*, Firearms Determination 2016-041 (the City of Southside did not violate Alabama law by posting signs prohibiting firearms at its Community Center because it is not open to the public without a reservation). Accordingly, the signs posted at the Southern Museum of Flight are not a regulation promulgated or enforced in violation of Ala. Code § 13A-11-61.3, and you are not a "person adversely affected" as defined by Ala. Code § 13A-11-61.3(b)(5).

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Because the City of Birmingham is compliant with Alabama law, 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 "Steve Marshall". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Steve Marshall
Attorney General

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