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MEMORANDUM

- **TO:** Colonel W. Steven Flaherty, Superintendent Department of State Police
- FROM: James E. Schliessmann Assistant Attorney General
- **DATE:** September 14, 2004
- **SUBJECT:** Regulations Relating to the Issuance of Nonresident Concealed Handgun Carry Permits 19 VAC 30-190-10 *et seq*.

In response to a request from the Department of State Police regarding the promulgation of regulations pursuant to Virginia Code § 18.2-308(P1), I have reviewed the proposed regulations, 19 VAC 30-190-10 *et seq.*, relating to the establishment of procedures for the application process, screening, and issuance of nonresident concealed handgun carry permits. Upon review of the aforesaid regulations, and in accordance with Executive Order 21 (2002), I find the proposed regulations to be constitutional, consistent with the statutory authority granted by § 18.2-308(P1) of the Code of Virginia, and in conformity with existing statutory provisions.

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