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Honorable J.B. Van Hollen
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Re: Handgun Carry Permit Reciprocity with Tennessee

Dear General Van Hollen:

This letter is to confirm that the Wisconsin Department of Justice has extended reciprocity to Tennessee's handgun carry permit holders, based on the listing published on your website at <http://www.doj.state.wi.us/dles/cib/ConcealedCarry/reciprocity.asp>.

Unless otherwise notified by the Wisconsin Department of Justice, the Tennessee Department of Safety and Homeland Security will change its own site at <http://www.tn.gov/safety/handgun/reciprocity.shtml> to reflect that Tennessee handgun carry permit holders can, with their permits and subject to Wisconsin laws, carry their handguns in Wisconsin.

By statute, Tennessee accepts all facially valid handgun permits, firearms permits, weapons permits or licenses issued by another state as valid to carry a handgun in Tennessee. [Tenn. Code Ann. § 39-17-1351(r)(1)]. Therefore, Wisconsin permit holders are valid to carry handguns in Tennessee, with their permit and subject to Tennessee laws.

If you have any questions, or should the reciprocity status change in the future, please feel free to contact our Handgun Carry Permit Unit Director, Lieutenant Robert Eckerman, at:

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Should you have any legal questions, please feel free to contact me at the address below,
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Sincerely,



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