

GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
CONCEALED PISTOL LICENSING REVIEW BOARD



NOTICE OF DECISION TO ISSUE GUIDANCE DOCUMENT

BOARD'S INTERPRETATION OF 1 DCMR § 1200.5

(Administrative Disposition of Certain Appeals and Unopposed Requests for Continuances Without Convening a Panel)

On June 29, 2017, a quorum of the Concealed Pistol Licensing Review Board ("Board") met at an open meeting to discuss, among other matters, the interpretation of 1 DCMR § 1200.5 as it relates to the administrative disposition of certain appeals and unopposed motions for continuances without convening a panel.

Section 1200.5 reads as follows:

The Board may, for good cause shown, waive any of the provisions of this chapter if, in the judgment of the Board, the waiver will not prejudice the rights of any party and is not otherwise prohibited by law.

The Board discussed that it had received requests, from the Chief of the Metropolitan Police Department ("Chief"), to stay appeals of denials of applications for concealed pistol licenses. Subsequently, the Chief granted these same applications. Such appeals remained open at the Board pending a meeting of the assigned Panels to determine dispositions of the cases.

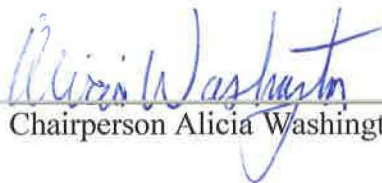
By a unanimous vote of the board members present, the Board decided to interpret 1 DCMR § 1200.5 to allow the Presiding Member of the Panel or Chairperson of the Board to administratively dismiss an appeal where the Chief submits evidence that he or she has granted the application for a concealed pistol license that is the subject of the appeal. In such cases, the Panel assigned to the case need not be convened for a meeting. The absence of a meeting of the Panel will not prejudice the parties as the Chief is granting the license in the case and the appeal therefore is moot.

The Board also discussed that it has received unopposed motions for continuances in appeals. Such motions remained open at the Board pending a meeting of the assigned Panels to determine dispositions of the cases.

By a unanimous vote of the board members present, the Board decided to interpret 1 DCMR § 1200.5 to allow the Presiding Member of the Panel or Chairperson of the Board to administratively grant unopposed motions for continuances. In such cases, the Panel assigned to the case need not be convened for a meeting. The absence of such a meeting of

the Panel will not prejudice the parties as the parties previously have agreed to the continuance.

THEREFORE, pursuant to the authorization by the Board, Alicia Washington, Chairperson, authorized the posting of this guidance document on the Board's website and the submission of this guidance document to the Office of Documents and Administrative Issues for publication in the *DC Register*.


Chairperson Alicia Washington

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