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To: Legal Affairs Unit

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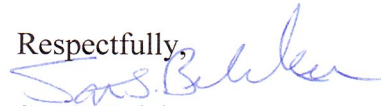
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I have researched your request and here is the information you requested.

- 1) – Pistol Permit background checks within the SPBI unit are currently up to date.
- 2) - The current amount of time it takes for a background check with respect to a pistol permit applicant to be processed can vary. Once an application is received it goes to the fingerprint unit for processing before it comes to SPBI for a background check. The fingerprint unit can typically take up to ten days to process an applicant card however if it is rejected due to poor quality of the fingerprints, it is returned to the applicant by mail who has to have their fingerprints redone. It should be noted that the FBI can also reject their own fingerprint cards which can delay the process. Once the fingerprint unit processes the fingerprints, they are received in SPBI for a background check. SPBI can process a pistol permit background check within 2 to 3 business days and the results are then mailed back to the requesting agency.

Please advise if you have any further questions or need additional assistance.

Respectfully,


Sgt S. Belcher