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August 17, 2017

John-Erik Koslosky
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Bloomsburg, PA 17815
Email: john-erik.koslosky@pressenterprise.net
RE: RTK Request # 17-128

Dear Mr. Koslosky:

Thank you for writing to Luzerne County with your request for information pursuant to the Pennsylvania Right-To-Know law. My email is Jackie.Carroll@luzernecounty.org.

On August 15, 2017, the Luzerne County Office of Law received a request for documents from you described in the attached Right to Know request. Your request is denied for the following reasons pursuant to the Pennsylvania Right to Know Law ("RTKL").

Luzerne County does not maintain the records requested by you, therefore, your request is denied pursuant to §705 of the RTKL. §705 of the RTKL states that "when responding to a request for access, an agency shall not be required to create a record which does not currently exist or to compile, maintain, format or organize a record in a manner in which the agency does not currently compile, maintain, format or organize the record".

Please feel free to contact Luzerne County Sheriff Brian Szumski at 570-550-6673 if you should wish to discuss your request with him.

You have a right to appeal this denial of information in writing to Office of Open Records, Commonwealth Keystone building, 400 North Street, 4th Floor, Harrisburg, PA 17120.

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If you choose to file an appeal for any reason, you must do so within 15 business days of the mailing date of the agency's response. Section 1101. If you have further questions, please contact me. Please be advised this correspondence will serve to close this request with our office as permitted by law.

Very truly yours,


JACQUELINE MUSTO CARROLL, ESQUIRE
Luzerne County – Open Records Officer

From: John-Erik Koslosky <jekoslosky@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, August 11, 2017 2:59 PM
To: Carroll, Jackie
Subject: Request for Information

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August 11, 2017

Dear Attorney Carroll:

I'm John-Erik Koslosky, a journalist looking for public information about gun dealer licensing and carry permits for a story I expect to eventually run in the Press Enterprise newspaper. This is a formal request for the following public information that should be available through your office:

- The number of licensed firearms dealers in Luzerne County in 2011
- The number of licensed firearms dealers in Luzerne County in 2017 (currently)
- Names and addresses of firearms dealers with new approvals in Luzerne County for the years 2012, 2013, 2014, 2015, 2016 and 2017
- Total number of county residents with carry permits in 2011, as well as the latest corresponding number for 2017. (Note the carry permit request is for statistics only, not the names of the permit holders.)

This information should all fall under public information through the state's Right-to-Know Act. The data can be sent via email to john-erik.koslosky@pressenterprise.net or jekoslosky@gmail.com. Please contact me with any questions regarding this request.

Thank you in advance for your cooperation.

John-Erik Koslosky