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# PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

by Christopher J. Piazza

Our annual golf outing was held on Sept 23rd, 2022, and it was a huge success. This was my 3rd outing as President, I could not have been any prouder of the turnout we had. Any outing of this size cannot be a success without the help of oth-

ers. I tip my hat to Jack Hellman, along with the Executive Board who were all extremely helpful in the running of this successful outing. As always Barbara Gallo assisted us with the 50/50. A big thank you to Barbara. Paul Ferrigno helped with the selling of raffles and tallying the monies collected. Paul Gallo, Joe Molloy and Vin Montagna were the "Jack of all trades", giving help where needed. Dana Motors once again donated a new car for the taking if a hole and one was recorded. John Donohue handled the photos of all the golfers at the hole in one, but sadly to say no one won that car again. The profits made from this outing will be going to many charitable causes. I would like to Thank all those who supported us with a donation or with a foursome.

Unfortunately, I was unable to attend our October meeting, but I was told it was a success. I would like to thank John Ross for stepping in for my absence. As 2023 approaches we as an association are maintaining the financial changes we made since I took over. We will require two (2) separate checks for 2023 Annual Dues and any Additional 2023 Courtesy Cards. If you feel comfortable with, the internet you can always pay online at our website vz1013.com. Please be reassured this is a safe way to pay your annual dues. As always, our success of our association is in its membership.

If any member is interested in being a part of a dynamic team let us know we can always use your help on the board. As for our membership, tell a fellow MOS about us and have them join us for a meal. I am sure they feel the same as I do ... "I miss the clowns but not the circus". You would be surprised who you might bump into at a meeting. We need our brothers and sisters to stick together especially in today climate. Hope to see you at our annual December Christmas Luncheon.



# VICE PRESIDENT'S LINES - John Ross

Hello Everyone I hope this finds you & your family well. Was great to see everyone at our last meeting. Also our anual golf outing was a huge success. I want to thank all who helped make it happen especially Jack Hellman who does a fantastic job every year. Thanks Jack! I also want to thank everyone who attended this event. I want to wish everyone a Happy Thanksgiving and look forward to seeing everyone at our next meeting.

Thank you.



# TREASURER'S LINES - Henry Cartmell

As reported at the October meeting the Golf Outing was a success and all had a god day. We are now looking forward to our annual end of the year luncheon and planning the new year. Dues for 2023 is due and some have paid already.

Hopefully all will have a happy, healthy and safe holiday season and enjoy your time with family and friends.

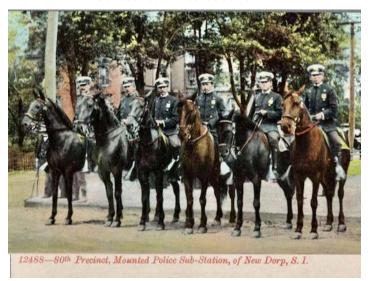
# CORRESPONDING SECRETARY'S LINES - Vincent Montagna NY PISTOL LICENSE RENEWALS

The new law for carry licenses has changed. Per the new law, you need 16 hours of classroom instruction and 2 hrs. range time. MOS retired over 5 years who do not have an **HR218** are required to complete this training class. If you are retired over 5 years and have **HR218**, send a written statement that you have a

**HR218** and kept it active for how many years, include a copy of the **HR218** front and back. An **HR218** dated before 9/1/2022 which is in effect at this time will be enough to satisfy the requirement. If no **HR218**, then the required training must be completed to renew the license.

As of September 1, 2022, all licenses, including retired members of law enforcement, must have sixteen (16) hours of training and two (2) hours of shooting practice. The State of New York plans eventually to check back three (3) years of the applicant's social media accounts, but as of this writing, personnel are not yet in place at the Licensing Division to conduct social media checks. **HR218 certification will be accepted only if it was acquired prior to September 1, 2022** 

# REMEMBER WHEN



SI DA Mike McMahon at Senator Lanza's Veterans Barbeque



# RECORDING SECRETARY'S LINES - Paul Gallo ELECTION OF OFFICERS

At the September and October meetings I announced the positions on the board open for the election of officers for the 2023 year. All positions are open for our election of board members. They are as follows:

# **Current officers who are running are:**

President Chris Piazza
Vice President John Ross
Recording Secretary \*\*\*OPEN\*\*\*
Corresponding Secretary Vincent Montagna
Sergeant at Arms Jack Hellman

All positions are open for any member in good standing to run for a board position. The only position open is with no member running is Recording Secretary. Paul Gallo is leaving the board and a replacement is needed. Please contact me if you want to run for any position. The final vote will occur at the November meeting and the new slate of officers will start January 1, 2023. Paul Gallo e-mail PDG043@optonline.net.

It has been a privilege to serve on the board for the past couple of years. I have enjoyed the friendship of the members, the meetings and trips to the casinos. It is time for a change and new members bring new ideas to the board. Please run for the board you will enjoy it as I have.



# **SGT. AT ARMS - Jack Hellman**

I just want to take this opportunity to thank all who helped me with our annual rich comes so golf cutting. There were many people involved in putting this day together. As always Joe Molloy for making the sponsor signs, Paul Ferrignoino for selling chances and helping with everything Vinnie Montagno no for soliciting sponsors,

Barbara Gallo for helping sell chances and my son Matt Hellman for putting out signs and going around with beverage cart. As usual Irene Comes so and family showed up with prizes for gift table. The day was great, food delicious provided by Johns Catering. We made a great amount of money for our club indirectly for you the members. And our future endeavours. Don't forget to vote in our upcoming elections for our board and local elections. Maybe we can turn the tide of our country and all that is turning bad in our lives. Due to these people who is ruining our way of life. One last thing if you have to renew your pistol permit you'll know what I am talking about. Come on politicians, PBAS lbs sgt. and our National 10-13 we haven't heard from you.



# TRUSTEE - Philip DeLuca

Hi there, unfortunately fall is here and leaves are falling.. a good time was had at our convention at Villa Roma. Food and liquor flowed and entertainer was excellent. Thanksgiving and Christmas not far away. There's an organization working for our Medicare that needs our help, our own unions sold us out. Please send a check to help there costs (nyc organization of public service retirees) and join to keep informed see you soon.



# TRUSTEE - William "Harpo" Silvestri

Our recent Golf Outing held September 23, was a real fun day for all attending. Great food and some really nice prizes but, most of all, the camaraderie shared among friends is what made the day. Financially wise, it was quite successful. The funds raised is what make our organization viable for our members. It's what keeps our membership dues and the cost of meals at our meetings so very low. These funds are also used for our year-

ly scholarship awards and various worthy charitable causes, including assistance to our brothers and sisters in Blue. Thank You to all who were able to participate and a special thanks to our generous sponsors.

# TRUSTEE - Bill Kelly

Parking in NYC is problematic, first finding a space that's a reasonable distance to where you want to be is hard and then trying to find a meter to feed that works so you don't get summoned is also hard. I travel to the city often and I learned years ago that to park in the city you need to download and use

the NYC Parking App Otherwise you'll be subject to a blizzard of tickets. The app works well. It allows you to load money to make payments to the meter number on the parking sign and then it shows you when the meter time is running out and you can reload it, sometimes.

In certain areas they only allow you to park for the amount of time posted 1,2, or 4 hours and then you have to move your car. My experiences have taught me that if you enter the meter number from across the street you can safely park there for the amount of time allowed.

All said, I am a happy user of the NYC parking app. That is until last week. In an effort to make parking "easier" they shut off the app to upgrade it. This caused confusion due to the fact that the app didn't work and it told you to use the meter, and the meter didn't work and it told you to use the app. Typical government doublespeak. This caused me to abandon my car in front of two different gin mills on Forest Ave. over the weekend, thankfully I didn't get a summons. Looking at the internet the same didn't hold true for others around the city, many people got summonses and were irate. I don't blame them.

The app is back up and working which is good, but they added a twenty cent surcharge if you don't preload the app with money. Which is crazy.

Be careful out there, if one of the psychos they surrendered the streets to doesn't hit you over the head, the city will at the meters.

Be safe.

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# THINK BEFORE YOU DONATE!

SOMETHING TO THINK ABOUT BEFORE YOU MAKE CONTRIBUTIONS:

As you open your pockets to do a good thing and make yourself feel good, please keep the following facts in mind:

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GOODWILL CEO and owner Mark Curran profits \$2.3 million a year. Goodwill is a very catchy name for his business. You donate to his business and then he sells the items for PROFIT. He pays nothing for his products and pays his worker's minimum wage! Nice Guy. \$0.00 goes to

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# **2023 MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION**

# \*\* New Procedures Below \*\*

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# **New York State Restrictions on Carrying Concealed Firearms**

# Overview

- Based on a recent US Supreme Court case, more people will have licenses to carry firearms in NYC.
- New York State passed new laws to restrict where those license holders can bring firearms.
- The new laws do not change the way that street encounters are conducted:
  - Officers may stop an individual when the officer has reasonable suspicion that such individual is carrying a firearm (Level 3) and may frisk that individual since the officer has reasonable suspicion that the individual is armed and dangerous.
  - o Anyone carrying a firearm is presumed to be carrying unlawfully until proven otherwise.
- Firearms license holders <u>must</u> provide their firearms license to law enforcement upon request.

# Sensitive vs. Restricted Locations

- Firearms license holders may *not* bring their firearms to **sensitive** locations.
- Firearms license holders may *not* bring firearms to **restricted** locations *unless* the property owner gives permission.

# **Sensitive Locations**

# License holders cannot bring firearms into:

# **Restricted Locations**

License holder <u>must</u> have permission from property owner to bring firearms onto:

- Courts & government offices
- Medical facilities and hospitals
- Places of worship
- Libraries, parks, and playgrounds
- All educational and childcare facilities and campuses (public or private)
- Shelters
- Mental health, substance abuse and disability service providers
- Adult care homes
- Public transportation (including stations)
- Bars, restaurants and cannabis lounges
- Theaters, stadiums, arenas, racetracks, museums, catering halls, and casinos
- Polling locations
- Events that require permits such as parades and outdoor concerts (must post signs)
- Protests, demonstrations, and marches, or any assembly where individuals are gathered to collectively express their constitutional rights of free speech
- Times Square, as designated by signs

- Any residential property
- Any commercial property that is not on the list of sensitive locations

# Law Enforcement

- On-duty UMOS are *not* subject to any restrictions at sensitive or restricted locations.
- All UMOS (on-duty, off-duty and retired) may carry firearms at sensitive locations.
- Off-duty UMOS and retired UMOS *may* carry firearms at restricted locations *unless* the owner or lessee expressly prohibits firearms on the property.

# The NYCPD Verrazano 10-13 Memorial High School & College 2022-2023 Scholarship Award Application APPLICATION

Extra Copies of the application may be obtained at our website VZ1013.com or it can be duplicated (see below). Non-conforming applications will be discarded

### **SPONSOR**

Applicants must be sponsored by a member of Verrazano 10-13 Association in good standing for the past two (2) years. A sponsor may submit multiple applications for different children. However, a sponsor is limited to only one scholarship award every two (2) consecutive yearly drawings.

### **ELIGIBILTY**

A son, daughter or grandchild of a member is eligible for a scholarship and must be attending or enrolled in a College on a full-time basis (taking at least 12 credits) for the 2022-2023 school year. Each child can only win once, but a member can sponsor another child after waiting (2) years. ONLY ONE ENTRY PER APPLICANT IS PERMITTED, If more than one application is received for the same applicant, all but one will be discarded.

# **VERIFICATION OF ATTENDANCE**

Applicants must be attending the education facility during the application year. Proof of enrollment must accompany the application

### NUMBER OF SCHOLARSHIPS AWARDED

For the 2022-2023 school year, a \$1000 College Scholarship In Memory of President Richard Commesso and two (2) \$500.00 College Scholarships will be awarded also one (1) High School for \$500.00 will be awarded.

### **SCHOLARSHIP DRAWINGS**

Drawings will be on a lottery basis in order to give each applicant an equal chance for selection. Scholarship awards will be drawn at the Verrazano 10-13 Christmas Luncheon in December (Alternate drawing date is the January General Meeting). All applications must be received prior to the drawing date. NO APPLICATIONS WILL BE ACCEPTED ON THE DAY OF THE DRAWING.

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# NYCPD VERRAZANO 10-13 ASSOCIATION - 2022-2023 SCHOLARSHIP





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# A Computer Tip on Password Strength

Any account with a weak password can be hacked in seconds. Create passwords that prevent cyber attacks.

# 12 characters and up

A longer, complex password is a stronger one. Use minimum 12- character passwords with upper and lowercase letters, numbers, and special characters.

### The sentence method

Make a memorable password based on a simple sentence. For example, use the first two letters of each word: Never Forget Your Password Again! = NeFoYoPaAg!

# One password per account

Create unique passwords for every account, from your email to your social media, and use a folder or use a password manager to keep them all in one place

# ADDITIONAL CARD FORM

**PLEASE NOTE:** We require two (2) separate checks for your **Dues & Additional Cards**.

To purchase additional membership cards please fill out this form along with the membership application with your (2) checks made payable to **Verrazano 10-13 Association** and mail to:

Verrazano 10-13 Association, PO BOX 061-725, Staten Island, NY 10306

# PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY

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# GOLF OUTING **2022 ANNUAL**































### :NYS GUN LAWS EFFECTIVE 9-1-22

NY State Div. of Criminal Justice Services State Police: re Gun Laws Eff. 9/1/22, issued 8-27-22.

### **Please Note:**

- 1 This is from the NY **State** Div. of Criminal Justice Services **State Police**.
- 2 NYC and other local jurisdictions have additional restrictions and requirements.
- 3 Make sure to also comply with All Local Laws, The "Safe" Act, All Federal laws & Pistol License Requirements, Etc.

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I suggest the following a reference material: A guide to New York's Firearms and Weapons Laws, Gun control in New York, Published by Looseleaf law publications (AKA Blue 360 Media), https://www.blue360media.com, in a Looseleaf binder format which can be updated by subscribing to yearly updates.

"A complete source for answers to questions about the laws governing firearms licensing and use of weapons in New York. Contains all the statutes governing weapons possession, licensing, and use, with expert commentary explaining what they mean and how they really work. Easy to read and understand."

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https://troopers.ny.gov/system/files/documents/2022/08/new-gun-law-faq-8-27-22-final-1.pdf

Also See Attachment: Div. of CJ Re. gunlaws 8-27-22.pdf.

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New York state Division of Criminal justice Services State Police. <u>Issued August</u> 27, 2022. Frequently Asked Questions Regarding Recent Changes To New York State Firearm Laws.

These Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs) provide information on New York State's newly enacted firearms law. These questions and answers are not intended to be exhaustive, nor do they constitute legal advice.

Please review the information that follows to learn more about how to obtain a firearm license, including new requirements for an inperson interview, firearm safety training, and additional resources for hunters, gun owners, and retailers.

Additional information can be found at: New York State Police's Firearm Website & New York State Department of Environmental

Conservation's **Website** 

- **(Q1) Do I Need a License** to possess a pistol or revolver in New York State? **(A)-**Yes. You are still required to have a license to possess a pistol or revolver.\* Nothing in the recent United States Supreme Court decision changes this fact. \*Note: Requirements for a semi-automatic rifle are addressed in Ouestions 19-21.
- (Q2) What are the most common Types of Licenses for a pistol or revolver in New York State? (A)-The two most common licenses for a pistol or revolver are a license to "have and possess" and a license to "have and carry concealed." A "have and possess" license is commonly referred to as a "premises license," which authorizes the license holder to possess a firearm at a certain location such as their home or place of business A "have and carry concealed" license is commonly referred to as a "concealed carry license," which authorizes the license holder to carry a pistol or revolver on their person.
- (Q3) Are the terms "License" or "Permit" the same? (A)-Yes. The terms license and permit are used interchangeably.
- (Q4) What are the new Requirements to obtain a concealed carry license? (A)-The new requirements to obtain a concealed carry license are: proof of completion of a firearms safety training course (see Questions 11-18); four character references; a list of former and current social media accounts for the last three years; disclosure of applicant's spouse or domestic partner, any other adults residing in the applicant's home, including any adult children of the applicant, and an in-person interview of the applicant with the licensing officer/designee. For more information, please visit the State Police's Firearm webpage or contact your county/local licensing officer.
- (Q5) Am I required to show a Need For Self-Defense to get a pistol or revolver license? (A)-No. You are not required to show a need for self-defense to get a pistol or revolver license.
- (Q6) Are retired law enforcement officers required to apply for a concealed carry license? (A)-Yes. Retired law enforcement officials will need to apply for a concealed carry license.
- **(Q7) How and when do I apply** for a firearm license? **(A)-**You can apply for a firearm license to your county/local licensing officer at any time. Please visit State Police's Firearm webpage for more information on how to apply for a pistol or revolver license.

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### **Recertification / Renewal**

- (Q8) What is the difference between **Renewal** and **Recertification** of my pistol or revolver license?
- (A)-A pistol or revolver license issued by New York City or Westchester, Nassau, and Suffolk counties expires and needs to be **Renewed** every 3 years.
- A pistol or revolver license issued outside of those areas does not expire, but the license holder must **Recertify** with the New York State Police every 3 years for a concealed carry license and every 5 years for other types of licenses.
- (Q9) How does the new law impact the Recertification due date of my pistol or revolver license? (A)-If you have a New York State concealed carry license, you are now required to submit your Recertification to the New York State Police every 3 years after issuance instead of 5 years. The new law does not change the recertification requirements for a premises license, which must be recertified every 5 years.
- (Q10) <u>How does the new law impact the</u> Renewal of my pistol or revolver license? (A)-A concealed carry pistol or revolver license issued by New York City, Westchester, Nassau, and Suffolk counties now expires every 3 years.

# **Training**

- (Q11) Who is required to take the new firearm safety training course? (A)-Any individual who seeks to obtain a concealed carry license for a pistol or revolver will be required to take the 16-hour classroom and 2-hour live-fire firearm safety training course. This will be required for concealed carry licenses issued on or after September 1, 2022. Individuals **Renewing** their license in New York City or Westchester, Nassau, and Suffolk counties must complete the training.
- (Q12) Where will I take the required firearm safety training course? How much will it cost? (A)-The firearm safety training course will be provided by authorized instructors, in accordance with **standards** published by the New York State Police and the New York State Division of Criminal Justice Services (DCJS). Training costs and locations will be set by the instructor.
- (Q13) -When will I need to take the firearm safety training course? (A)-Proof of completion of the firearm safety training course is required to obtain a concealed carry license on or after September 1, 2022.
- Local licensing officers <u>have the discretion</u> to determine whether a portion or all of the firearms training requirement is satisfied for those applicants who completed a firearm safety course in the previous 5 years.
- (Q14) <u>Do I need to take the firearm safety training course if I already have a concealed carry license that was issued</u> <u>Outside of New York City or Westchester, Nassau, or Suffolk counties?</u> (A)-No. Existing concealed carry pistol or revolver license holders with licenses that were issued <u>outside</u> of New York City or Westchester, Nassau, or Suffolk counties are not required to take the firearm safety training course.
- (Q15) If I am renewing my concealed carry license in a jurisdiction where it has an expiration date, (i.e., New York City, and Westchester, Nassau, and Suffolk counties) will I need to take the firearm safety training course before renewing? (A)-Yes. An individual seeking to renew a concealed carry license on or after September 1, 2022, will need to complete the firearm safety training course. Local licensing officers have the discretion to determine whether a portion or all of the firearms training requirement is satisfied for those applicants who completed a firearm safety course in the previous 5 years.
- (Q16) If I have an existing concealed carry license that was issued **Outside** of New York City or Westchester, Nassau, or Suffolk counties and I am **Recertifying** it with the New York State Police, will I need to take the firearm safety training course before recertifying? (A)-No. The firearm safety training course is not required to recertify your concealed carry license with the State Police.
- (Q17) Are active or retired law enforcement or former military personnel exempt from having to take the firearm safety training course? (A)-The firearm safety training requirements apply to all applicants for a concealed carry license. This includes retired law enforcement and former military personnel. Local licensing officers have the discretion to determine whether a portion or all of the firearms training requirement is satisfied for those applicants who completed a firearm safety course in the previous 5 years. Further, local licensing officers may satisfy the training requirement for active or retired military personnel or law enforcement officers who received firearm training, in excess of the standards set forth for the firearm safety training course, as a component of their service or profession (e.g., the New York State Basic Course for Police Officers).
- (Q18) If I only want a <u>firearm in my residence</u> and do <u>not want to carry concealed</u>, <u>do I still have to take the firearm safety training</u>? (A)-No. Premises license holders are not required to take the firearm safety training course. The firearm safety training course requirement applies to concealed carry licenses.

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- (Q19) How do I apply for a Semi-Automatic Rifle License? (A)-Starting September 4, 2022, you may apply for a Semi-Automatic Rifle License through your County/Local Licensing Officer. Existing firearm license holders can add a Semi-Automatic Rifle to their firearm license through their local licensing officer. A Semi-Automatic Rifle License is required to purchase or take ownership of a semiautomatic rifle on or after September 4, 2022.
- (Q20) <u>Do I need a Semi-Automatic Rifle License to keep a semi-automatic rifle I currently own?</u> (A)-Any person that lawfully possesses a semi-automatic rifle prior to September 4, 2022, will not be required to obtain the Semi-Automatic Rifle License. The Semi-Automatic Rifle License is only required for persons acquiring a semiautomatic rifle on or after September 4, 2022.
- (Q21) <u>Has the age requirement changed to acquire and/or possess a semiautomatic rifle?</u> (A)-Yes. Starting on September 4, 2022, the minimum age to purchase or take ownership of a <u>semi-automatic</u> rifle is <u>21 years old</u>. If you are younger than 21 years old, and lawfully acquired a semi-automatic rifle prior to September 4, 2022, you may continue to possess that rifle.

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# **Restrictions on Carrying Firearms in Certain Locations**

(Q22) - Are individuals who have a premises license, now able to carry a concealed pistol or revolver outside their home? (A)-No. You would need to obtain a concealed carry license. You cannot legally carry a concealed pistol or revolver outside of your home in New York State if you only have a premises license, which only allows you to possess a pistol or revolver in your home or place of business.

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Please note the difference Between Sensitive Locations / Restricted Locations, and most important, the Differences Regarding Their Respective Exemptions!

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(Q23) - What are the places, under the new law, where I Cannot bring a firearm, rifle, or shotgun? Sensitive Locations:

(A)-Effective September 1, 2022, the possession of a firearm, rifle, or shotgun is <u>Prohibited In Sensitive Locations</u>. Under the law, the following are considered <u>Sensitive Locations</u>:

- Any location owned or under control of federal, state, or local government for the purpose of government administration, including courts;
- Any location providing health, behavioral health, or chemical dependence care or services; Places of worship or religious observation;
- Libraries, public playgrounds, public parks, and zoos;
- NYS Office of Children and Family Service licensed or funded facilities (childcare facilities); Nursery schools, preschools, summer camps;
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- Gatherings of people to collectively express their constitutional rights to assemble or protest; and
- Times Square (with boundaries determined by New York City).
- (Q24) <u>If I have a concealed carry license</u>, <u>can I carry my pistol or revolver to Sensitive Locations</u>? (A)-<u>No. Subject to exceptions for certain individuals</u> (see Question 25), Penal Law §265.01-e prohibits bringing any pistol, revolver, rifle, shotgun or any other firearm to a sensitive location even if you have a concealed carry license.
- (Q25) Are there any exceptions to this rule? Is anyone exempt from the prohibition of possession of firearms, rifles, or shotguns in sensitive locations?

(A)-Yes, the law Exempts the following persons:

- Police officers in New York State, as defined in Criminal Procedure Law § 1.20(34), and those who were employed as police officers in New York State but are retired;
- Retired law enforcement officers who qualify under 18 U.S.C. 926(C) (the Law Enforcement Officers Safety Act, or LEOSA);
- Peace officers in New York State, as defined in Criminal Procedure Law § 2.10; Armed security guards registered by the NYS Department of State while working;

- Active-duty military personnel;
- \* Persons licensed under paragraph c, d, or e subdivision 2 of § 400.00 of the Penal Law while in the course of official duties;
- Persons lawfully engaged in hunting activity, including hunter education training;
- Persons operating a program in their home that would otherwise be considered a sensitive location, however, such possession must comply with any rules or regulations (e.g., safe storage); and
- Government employees with agency consent, for the purpose of natural resource protection.

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\*Note: The following sections regarding PL 400 pertain to the following licensees.

**PL400.00**, sub 2 c - Certain licensed Individuals while employed in the "banking" industry.

PL400.00, sub 2 d - Certain licensed Justices,

PL400.00, sub 2 e - Certain licensed regular Correctional employees.

See PL 400 for Exact Details.

# **Restricted Locations**

(Q26) - <u>Is it a crime to enter Another Person's Property,</u> also known as a "<u>Restricted Location</u>" <u>under the law, with a firearm, rifle, or shotgun without the owner's or lessee's consent?</u> (A)- Subject to exemptions for certain individuals, you can only enter another person's property with a firearm, rifle, or shotgun when the owner or lessee has specifically posted that it allowed, or the owner or lessee has expressly consented. Consent to carry must be reflected by clear and conspicuous signage or express verbal consent from the owner or lessee. (Penal Law § 265.01-d)

(Q27) - <u>Is anyone</u> Exempt from the prohibition of possession of firearms, rifles, or shotguns in Restricted Locations? (A)-Yes, the law exempts the following persons:

- <u>Police Officers</u> in New York State, as defined in Criminal Procedure Law § 1.20(34), and those who <u>Were Employed As Police</u> Officers in New York State but are retired;
- New York peace officers, as defined in Criminal Procedure Law § 2.10;
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- \* Persons licensed under paragraph c, d, or e subdivision 2 of § 400.00 of the Penal Law while in the course of their official duties; and
- Persons lawfully engaged in hunting activity, including hunter education training.

(Q28) - Can I possess a firearm, rifle or shotgun in the Adirondack and Catskill Parks? (A)-Certain areas of the parks are not considered "sensitive locations" under the law, as the state- owned or managed lands are legally classified as state forest preserve or are generally private lands. There are areas inside the Adirondack and Catskill Parks, however, that are classified as sensitive locations or restricted locations under the new gun law (e.g., libraries and government administrative facilities) and these specific locations are subject to the sensitive and restricted location restrictions under the law, which are detailed in Question 23. Please review the Department of Environmental Conservation's FAQs for more information. Safe Handling and Storage Law Changes

(Q29) - How does the new law impact **Transporting Guns In A Vehicle**? (A)-Effective September 1, 2022, if you leave your gun unattended in a vehicle, it must be unloaded and locked in a fire, impact, and tamper resistant storage depository that is hidden from view. Glove compartments and glove boxes are <u>not</u> appropriate safe storage depositories. A plastic or aluminum, lockable, hard-sided, gun case or safe will suffice for this purpose. If an adult remains with the vehicle to ensure security, a case or safe is not required. To prevent theft and ensure safety, it is always recommended that firearms be secured during transport. Local rules for traveling with firearms also apply and may be more restrictive. For example, New York City requires that all guns be unloaded, in a case, and out of sight, even when you are with the vehicle (Penal Law § 265.45).

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# (Q30) - How am I required to Store My Guns in my Home?

**(A)**-If anyone younger than 18 years old or anyone who is prohibited from possessing a gun resides in the home, all firearms, rifles, and shotguns not in your immediate control must either be:

- Secured with a gun locking device (trigger lock or cable lock) that makes them incapable of being accessed or fired by the prohibited individual, **or**
- Locked securely in a safe or secure container that is fire, impact, and tamper resistant and which is locked using a key, keypad, or combination.

**Hunting and Hunting Education Activities** 

# (Q31) - Where can I find more information about how the recent law changes apply to hunting and educational activities? (A)-Please review the Department of Environmental Conservation's FAQs for more information.

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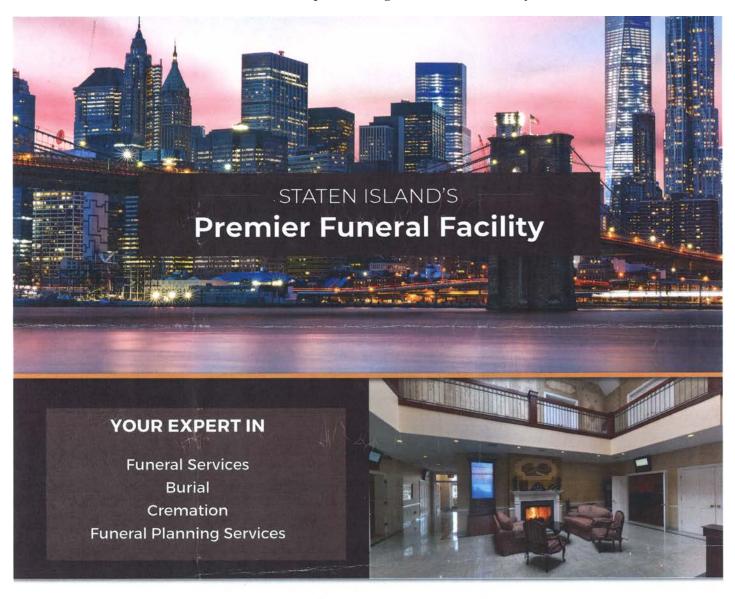
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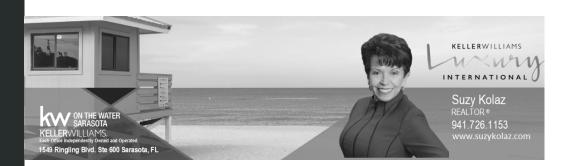
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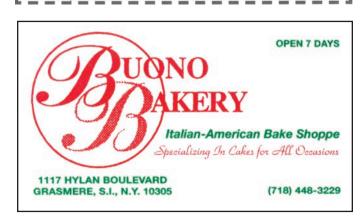
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# Hey, NYC, what's the price of a promise?

By Marianne Pizzitola New York Daily News • Sep 24, 2022 at 5:00 am

Should tens of thousands of senior citizens and disabled first responders be subjected to insurance companies determining their fate as opposed to medical professionals who know them - all so that union leaders can replenish a fund they raided for illegitimate, albeit legal purposes? That might sound like a far-fetched hypothetical from an ethics exam or public-policy seminar. It's not: That is exactly what will happen if union bosses get their way.

Earlier this month, the city's Municipal Labor Committee (MLC) — an advisory group comprised of leaders of the city's 100-plus municipal unions — voted to change a law designed to protect city workers, retirees and their dependents. The law, known as "12-126", was passed in 1967 and guaranteed the city would pay for a choice of health insurance plans — up to a defined dollar cap. For 55 years, every teacher, firefighter, police officer, nurse, and others who served the city knew they would have access to a health insurance plan that met their families' needs. We knew we would never get rich, but would always have job security and benefits.

That may all now change if the unions get their way. Some 250,000 elderly and disabled retirees will be forced out of traditional Medicare and into a one-size-fits-all plan run by a private insurance company. Last year, the city tried to force a "customized" Medicare Advantage plan on retirees and said it would no longer pay for the traditional Medicare-plus-supplemental coverage it had paid for — and retirees had relied on — for 55 years. When a Manhattan state Supreme Court justice ruled the city's ham-handed approach illegal because it violated 12-126, the city and MLC decided to try an even more drastic approach: "Amend" — but essentially scrap — the law.

The impact of the proposed change to the statute would force every retiree into a plan where many would lose their doctors. Even the insurance company admitted 10% of doctors who currently treat retirees were not participating in the new plan. That means up to 25,000 retirees would have their continuity of care threatened. And all 250,000 retirees would suddenly be subjected to the insurer's "prior authorization" protocols and hurdles — often dangerously delaying and denying care — something they never had to worry about in traditional Medicare.

If people chose to opt out of Medicare Advantage and wanted to keep their traditional plan, the city required a \$191 monthly penalty premium. For many retirees who are on small fixed pensions, that is a serious financial burden.

If the city and MLC convince the City Council to change the law, current workers will be guaranteed absolutely nothing, neither while on the job or in retirement. The legislation is so vaguely drafted, the city and MLC could decide to impose \$10,000 deductibles or \$100 copays.

So instead, last year they took a route they thought would encounter no resistance: impose a change on retirees. After all, retirees are no longer represented by their former unions. What the city and MLC didn't count on was thousands of retirees banding together in a grass roots group and challenging the action in court — and then winning.

Although it is hard to believe, not one of the 104 collective bargaining agreements the city has with its many unions says a word about employee or retiree health benefits. And that's because those benefits have been protected by statute: 12-126. Strip that law, and workers and retirees have absolutely no guarantee of health care. And it will be far tougher to attract people into government service.

Everyone knows health care is expensive, and few will argue against trying to find fair savings or tapping federal funds. The city should start inviting bids from other insurance companies for a contract they have awarded for years without competitive bidding. When two large insurance companies that sell Medicare Supplemental plans were unofficially approached and asked how much a plan like GHI Senior Care should cost, their not-for-attribution responses suggested annual savings between \$50 and \$100 million a year.

The option of traditional Medicare and supplemental with no penalty needs to be preserved. To date, the city has refused to meet with — much less listen to — retirees. Instead, it simply tried to put lipstick on a pig and call the proposed Medicare Advantage Plan a better plan. Stop insulting our intelligence.

Pizzitola is president of the NYC Organization of Public Service Retirees.

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