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ANOTHER CONCEALED WEAPON INSTRUCTOR HAS LICENSE REVOKED

BISMARCK – Attorney General Wayne Stenehjem has revoked the instructor license for Richard (Rick) Anderson, effective February 28, 2012. Anderson, who does business as Allthreat Tactical Group (allthreat.com) and CCW Academy (ccwacademy.com), is no longer licensed to conduct classes or training for North Dakota concealed weapons licenses.

The Bureau of Criminal Investigation (BCI) conducted a review after receiving reports that classes taught by Anderson were not conducted in compliance with state regulations. State law prohibits the training for a North Dakota concealed weapon license from being held in conjunction with any classes for any other state. Although Anderson offered the North Dakota class, it was only available to individuals who had taken his class for the Utah license. The allegations were verified by an undercover agent from the BCI who attended a randomly selected class.

“The BCI will investigate any report of non-compliance with concealed weapons testing regulations. Instructors also should be aware that the BCI will be monitoring classes and conducting random surveys of applicants to ensure the continued integrity of the concealed weapons classes,” said BCI Director Dallas Carlson.

This is the second time BCI has taken action to revoke the license of a concealed weapons instructor. In October 2011, the BCI revoked licenses of instructors from PermitToCarry.org, for holding that did not comply with state regulations.

In 2011, the BCI processed 5,487 applications, an increase of 40% from 2010. As of March 1, 2012, there are 15,937 active North Dakota concealed weapons licenses. North Dakota currently has reciprocity for class 1 license holders with thirty-six other states.

“Although demand for the classes has increased, that is not an excuse for instructors to ignore the rules or to take shortcuts in their instruction,” said Stenehjem. “The rules are in place to ensure every applicant is treated fairly and receives proper instruction on their rights and obligations under the law.”

Individuals who registered with Anderson for upcoming classes for the North Dakota concealed weapon license will need to make alternate arrangements. The BCI will accept applications from individuals who took classes from Anderson through February 29, 2012. For information on concealed weapons licenses and classes is available from the Concealed Weapon page of the Attorney General’s website (www.ag.nd.gov).

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