

COLUMBIA COUNTY SHERIFF

PHILIP W. DERBY

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Dear CHL holders and applicants,

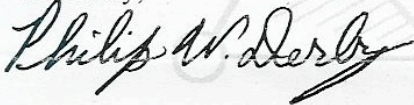
This letter is to inform you that the Columbia County Sheriff's Office has received a request asking for a list of all of our Concealed Handgun License (CHL) holders and their addresses.

While we are denying their request, it is possible that they can challenge our decision. We may, at some time, be required to submit to this request with a court order. There is a case that is on appeal in Jackson County, Oregon where the court has ruled against the Sheriff's Office and is requiring them to release the information.

In the future, I will be adding a question to our application asking if applicants want their information to remain confidential and if they obtained their CHL as a personal security measure. To avoid a delay in the process, I am asking you this same question. Please take a moment to answer and return the attached form to me. If you do request that Columbia County keep information in your CHL file confidential, the County will attempt to do so to the extent possible under the Oregon Public Records law, ORS 192.

If you have any questions, please feel free to call Terri Etter on Monday, Wednesday, or Friday from 9:00am - 3:00pm at 503-366-4611.

Sincerely,



Philip W. Derby
Columbia County Sheriff