

COUNTY OF CLEVELAND, NORTH CAROLINA
AGENDA FOR THE BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT MEETING

July 25, 2019

4:00 PM

Commissioners Chamber

Call to order and Establishment of a Quorum

Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance

Approval of Minutes

Minutes from the May 30, 2019 and February 28, 2019 Board of Adjustment Meetings

Cases

Case 19-10: Request for Conditional Use Permit for a private firearms training and instructional facility

Miscellaneous Business

Adjournment

COUNTY OF CLEVELAND, NORTH CAROLINA

AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY

Minutes

Department:

Agenda Title: Minutes from the May 30, 2019 and February 28, 2019 Board of Adjustment Meetings

Agenda Summary:

Proposed Action:

ATTACHMENTS:

File Name	Description
<input type="checkbox"/> 05-30-19_BOA_minutes.pdf	BOA Minutes 5-30
<input type="checkbox"/> 02-28-19_BOA_minutes.pdf	BOA Minutes 2-28-29



MINUTES
CLEVELAND COUNTY BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT
Commission Chambers – County Administrative Building
311 East Marion St., Shelby, North Carolina
Regular Meeting - 4:00 p.m.
May 30, 2019

Members Present

Jeff Ward, Chairman
Bobby Watson
Paul Aulbach
Doug Lawing

Members Absent

Tommy Brooks
Joyce Coleman, Vice Chairman
Thomas Fletcher

Others Present

Chris Martin, Senior Planner
Henry Earle, Planner
Anna Parker, Clerk
Elliott Engstrom, County Attorney
D. Robbin Melton
Martha Causby
Paul Creasman
Peden Harris
Pooja Ravindran
Ron Wilson

CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Ward called the meeting to order at 4:03 pm.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE AND INVOCATION

Joyce Coleman led the Invocation and **Chairman Ward** led the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL TO ESTABLISH QUORUM

Chairman Ward called upon Thomas Fletcher to vote and quorum was established.

APPROVAL OF MARCH 28, 2019 MINUTES 2019 MINUTES

Paul Aulbach made a motion to approve the March 28, 2019 Minutes. It was seconded by Doug Lawing and unanimously carried.

CASE #19-07 CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT: RV PARK

Applicant: Creasman Enterprises, LLC

Location: 110 Degraw Dr., off of Plato Lee Rd.

Parcel #: 32684 & 32685

Henry Earle was sworn in. He presented the case information about the proposed RV Park by Mr. Creasman. He plans to have eight (8) RV sites as shown on the site plan. The zoning is Residential and to the North is General Business, to the East is Manufactured Home Parks, and to the West and South is Residential. The surrounding land use includes the 74 By-Pass and residential single-family homes to the south, to the North and East is industrial business. Looking

at the Google Street View of Degraw Dr., six of the sites will not be visible from Plato Lee Rd. and two will be visible.

Chairman Ward opened the Public Hearing at 4:10 pm. **Paul Creasman** was sworn in. There were no questions for the applicant and he stated he did not have anything to add to what Staff had presented. **Chairman Ward** closed the Public Hearing at 4:12 pm.

Paul Aulbach made a motion to accept the Conditional Use Application granted that it meets the four requirements. Doug Lawing seconded the motion. The Board determined unanimously the following:

- (1) Will it materially endanger the public health or safety- No.
- (2) Will it substantially injure the value of adjoining or abutting property- No, no evidence was presented to the contrary.
- (3) Will it not be in harmony with the area in which it is to be located- No, it is in harmony with the surrounding land usage.
- (4) Will it not be in general conformity with the land use plan, thoroughfare plan, or other plan officially adopted by the board of commissioners- No, it is in general conformity with the land use plan.

The Board voted unanimously to approve the Conditional Use Permit for case 19-07.

CASE #19-08 CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT: TEMPORARY DEPENDENT CARE RENEWAL

Applicant: Mr. Robin Melton

Location: 103 Whipporwill Ct.

Parcel #: 5333

Henry Earle said that Robin Melton currently has a temporary dependent care residence that was granted October 2007. He had a site plan and finished the home in December 2007. The permit expired in 2012, but it was still in use. The applicant wants to bring the home back into compliance for his mother. It is allowed with a Conditional Use Permit that is good for five years.

Chairman Ward stated that they are now replacing the existing single wide manufactured home with a double wide manufactured home. Mr. Earle said that this replacement is okay since the code is for any type of manufactured housing.

Paul Aulbach asked about the septic tank and if there are more bedrooms. Mr. Earle said if the CUP is approved, Environmental Health will issue a permit to determine if it is okay. He also stated that the acceptable year to move into the county is 1976 for manufactured housing. Mr. Aulbach inquired about the number of patients that will be taken care of. Mr. Earle said it is for Mrs. Causby only. Mr. Aulbach asked about the location and what it looks like. Mr. Earle said when he put a sign up about the meeting, it looked like it did as shown on the 2015 aerial.

Chairman Ward opened the Public Hearing at 4:17 pm.

Laura Causby was sworn in. She lives at 103 Whipporwill Ct. She said she would like to stay and needs help. She has had multiple surgeries, trouble with her eyes, and it is good her daughter helps in the house and brings her meals. The family has grown.

Chairman Ward closed the Public Hearing at 4:21 pm as there was no more public comment.

Doug Lawing made a motion to accept the Conditional Use Application granted that it meets the four requirements. Bobby Watson seconded the motion. The Board determined unanimously the following:

- (1) Will it materially endanger the public health or safety- No.
- (2) Will it substantially injure the value of adjoining or abutting property- No, no evidence was presented to the contrary.
- (3) Will it not be in harmony with the area in which it is to be located- No, it is in harmony with the surrounding land usage.
- (4) Will it not be in general conformity with the land use plan, thoroughfare plan, or other plan officially adopted by the board of commissioners- No, it is in general conformity with the land use plan.

The Board voted unanimously to approve the Conditional Use Permit for case 19-08.

CASE #19-09 AMENDMENT OF CUP: VESTED RIGHTS

Applicant: Warbler Holdings

Location: 105 Blue Brook off of Plato Lee Rd.

Parcel #: 32571

Chris Martin was sworn in to present the Staff Report. Warbler Holdings was approved for a renewal of their solar facility with a site plan and with two years vested rights. They are now requesting an amendment of their permit for five years vested rights. The NCGS state that vested rights are allowed for two years, not exceeding five years if it meets relevant circumstances based on: the size of the project, the market conditions, investments, etc. It is up to the Board to determine what, if any, conditions apply.

Chairman Ward requested to defer to the County attorney, and is he correct to be under the impression that the County can be stricter?

Elliott Engstrom stated that the County code can be stricter. If no one asks for five years, it is automatically two. It does not apply if the site plan is changed.

Mr. Martin stated that there were no vested rights requested on the original CUP; they were requested under the renewed CUP.

Chairman Ward stated that this request for extended vested rights is tied into investments.

Mr. Martin said the reasons can be for size, phasing, level of development, need for . . . , and market conditions.

Mr. Engstrom stated these reasons are discretionary. Mr. Watson clarified that the vested rights allow the applicant to remain under the terms of the current code at the time of their application. Mr. Martin stated that their vested right goes back to their application approved in March 2019.

Chairman Ward opened the Public Hearing at 4:33 pm.

Peden Harris of 1125 E. Morehead St., for Birdseye and Warbler Holdings, was sworn in. He explained the need for the extended five-year vested rights. They started the project in 2016. Their side of the project is done. They have to work with Duke Energy and Duke has to do studies; their process takes longer. One, the investment is 6.4 million their side. The County is invested too. Two, the phasing of the project is getting longer due to Duke Energy. The process has been prolonged due to a procurement House Bill. Duke Energy now needs to meet 250 Megawatts of renewable energy, which is six and a half times larger than this site being proposed. Duke Energy's team is building substations to meet this need, which is holding up Duke Energy's work to upgrade the substation for this project. The Utilities Commission also has projects, and their work is the second phase which may be into 2023. Third, their project is relatively small, and is at risk due to changes in the County's solar ordinance.

Mr. Lawing inquired if the tax rate is affected over the 2.5 years when building. Mr. Engstrom clarified that the vested rights only pertain to zoning. Mr. Martin added that the CUP that has been granted is good for one year. The Vested Rights are good for the time granted in addition to the CUP time. If there is a change in the ordinance, the applicant would have the choice of following the new code, or the code their CUP was issued under, for the duration of their CUP and vested rights added together. If construction begins (10% developed financial investment on the ground) and the use as intended there is no expiration. Mr. Martin stated the Solar Ordinance code was just changed. These changes are more common in changing communities such as Raleigh.

Chairman Ward closed the Public Hearing at 4:47 pm as there was no further comment.

Bobby Watson stated that the hindrance is not with the applicant, it is with Duke Energy. Paul Aulbach pointed out that they currently have three years total with their one-year CUP and two years Vested Rights. Mr. Martin pointed out that there can be no changes to the approved site plan.

Bobby Watson made a motion to accept the amendment to the application for five-year vested rights instead of two. Doug Lawing seconded the motion. The vote was three in favor and one opposed, therefore the motion passed.

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS

There was no miscellaneous business to present.

ADJOURNMENT

Chairman Ward entertained a motion to adjourn.

Doug Lawing made the motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Bobby Watson and unanimously carried to adjourn at 4:50 pm.

ATTEST:

Jeff Ward, Chairman

Anna Parker, Clerk



MINUTES
CLEVELAND COUNTY BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT
Commission Chambers – County Administrative Building
311 East Marion St., Shelby, North Carolina
Regular Meeting - 4:00 p.m.
February 28, 2019

Members Present

Jeff Ward, Chairman
Doug Lawing
Bobby Watson
Joyce Coleman, Vice Chairman
Paul Aulbach

Members Absent

Tommy Brooks
Thomas Fletcher

Others Present

Chris Martin, Senior Planner
Henry Earle, Planner
Anna Parker, Administrative Asst.
Elliott Engstrom, County Attorney
James Gibson, Petitioner
David Gibson
Pat & Len Byers

CALL TO ORDER

Jeff Ward called the meeting to order at 4:00 pm.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE AND INVOCATION

Joyce Coleman led the Invocation and **Chairman Ward** led the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL TO ESTABLISH QUORUM

Chairman Ward called upon Tommy Brooks to vote and quorum was established.

APPROVAL OF NOVEMBER 29, 2018 MINUTES

Paul Aulbach made the motion to approve the November 29, 2018 minutes. It was seconded by Doug Lawing and unanimously carried.

CASE #19-05 CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT: RV PARK

Applicant: James Gibson
Location: 414 Davis Rd.
Parcel #: 59068

Chris Martin was sworn in to present a Staff Report on case 19-05. The property is near S. Post Rd. on Davis Rd. The property is currently owned by Leonard and Jeanette Gibson, along with the surrounding property. James Gibson plans to have an RV Park with five RV sites as shown on the site plan, with a septic area. He can apply for the Environmental Health permit for the septic if he is granted the CUP. The setbacks for the site are 30' from the front and rear property lines, and 10' from the sides.

Chairman Ward opened the Public Hearing at 4:08 pm.

James Gibson of 424 Davis Rd was sworn in. He said the property is not being farmed, and he will keep up the property. The screening on the front is on the site plan and will be something shorter than the Leland Cypress since there are power lines on the front of the property. They are not able to back up the site further. The distance from the centerline of the road to the parking area is about 80-100 feet, or about 60' off the road.

Mr. Martin stated that front screening is not required and there are a number of other trees that would work. The length of stay is for temporary use only, which the County Ordinance considers seasonal, weekend, and vacation use, not a specific number of days.

Mr. Gibson said the site is for people needing temporary places to stay such as workers or someone building a home.

Patricia Byers of 421 Davis Rd was sworn in. She lives directly across the street. She feels the RV park would lower property values and that it does not fit with the harmony of the area. She did not have anything from a professional witness/ real estate appraiser.

Chairman Ward closed the Public Hearing at 4:20 pm as there was no further public comment.

The Board discussed screening. They determined that Mrs. Byers statement on property value was not substantiated by a professional witness. Doug Lawing stated if the site is not monitored, things "pop up" and accumulate so there is need of maintaining the site and the site needs screening. Mr. Martin stated that if the Board places additional conditions, they need to be agreed on with the applicant.

Mr. Gibson stated that he is not providing RVs, they will be brought in and he will monitor the site with lease agreements and trash pick-up (the landfill is only 2 miles away). He stated he would be agreeable to additional screening.

Chairman Ward entertained a motion

Paul Aulbach made a motion to approve the conditional use permit as shown by the site plan with the addition of Type B screening along the front road. It was seconded by Doug Lawing.
The motion was rescinded.

Chairman Ward discussed the four required criteria with the Board and they unanimously determined the following:

- (1) Will it materially endanger the public health or safety- No.
- (2) Will it substantially injure the value of adjoining or abutting property- No, no evidence was presented to the contrary.

- (3) Will it not be in harmony with the area in which it is to be located- The majority of the Board felt that no, it is in harmony with the surrounding land usage of duplexes, manufactured housing, and farming, and with additional Type A screening instead.
- (4) Will it not be in general conformity with the land use plan, thoroughfare plan, or other plan officially adopted by the board of commissioners- No, it is in general conformity with the land use plan.

Paul Aulbach made a motion to approve the conditional use permit as shown by the site plan with the condition of adding Type A screening along the front road, and that they obtain any other necessary permits, such as a NCDOT driveway permit, for the completion of the project. It was seconded by Doug Lawing and carried four in favor to one opposed.

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS

Mr. Martin mentioned the new BOA workshop dates are now available on May 14th in Matthews or May 15th in Asheville. Staff will e-mail out the information for the Board to choose a date.

ADJOURNMENT

Chairman Ward entertained a motion to adjourn.

Doug Lawing made the motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Bobby Watson and was unanimously carried to adjourn at 5:00 pm.

ATTEST:

Jeff Ward, Chairman

Anna Parker, Administrative Assistant

COUNTY OF CLEVELAND, NORTH CAROLINA

AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY

Case 19-10

Department:

Agenda Title: Case 19-10: Request for Conditional Use Permit for a private firearms training and instructional facility

Agenda Summary:

Proposed Action:

ATTACHMENTS:

File Name	Description
<input type="checkbox"/> 19-10_Staff_Report.pdf	Staff Report
<input type="checkbox"/> 19-10_Site_Plan.pdf	Site Plan
<input type="checkbox"/> BOA_Case_19-10_Application.pdf	Application
<input type="checkbox"/> 19-10_Zoning_Map_142_Reep_Road.pdf	Zoning Map
<input type="checkbox"/> 19-10_Aerial_Map_142_Reep_Road.pdf	Aerial Map
<input type="checkbox"/> Documents_Submitted_by_applicant_for_CUP_Case_19-10.pdf	Submitted Documents
<input type="checkbox"/> Defcon_Delta_Tactical_Letter_of_Support_7-24-2019.pdf	Support Letter
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<input type="checkbox"/> IMG_1895.jpg	Image 2

STAFF REPORT

To: Cleveland County Board of Adjustment
Date: June 7, 2019
From: Chris Martin, Senior Planner
Subject: Conditional Use Permit Application 19-09

Summary Statement: James Nile Wilson Jr. and Cynthia Wilson are requesting a Conditional Use Permit to operate a private training and instructional facility for firearms. The Wilsons have submitted a completed application and a site plan showing the facility.

Review: The property for consideration is on Parcels 55884 and 55885, located at 142 Reep Road. The zoning is Manufactured Home Parks (RM) and the surrounding zoning is Manufactured Home Parks to the East and Residential to West, North and South. The surrounding area consists of residential uses, both in single family dwellings and manufactured home parks.

This use is generally referenced as a “shooting range” and those are a compliant use in the Manufactured Home Park zoning district with the issuance of a Conditional Use Permit from the Board of Adjustment.

When issuing conditional use permits, the Board must consider the following four findings:

1. Will not materially endanger the public health or safety;
2. Will not substantially injure the value of adjoining or abutting property;
3. Will be in harmony with the area in which it is to be located; or
4. Will be in general conformity with the land use plan, thoroughfare plan, or other plans Adopted by the County Commissioners.

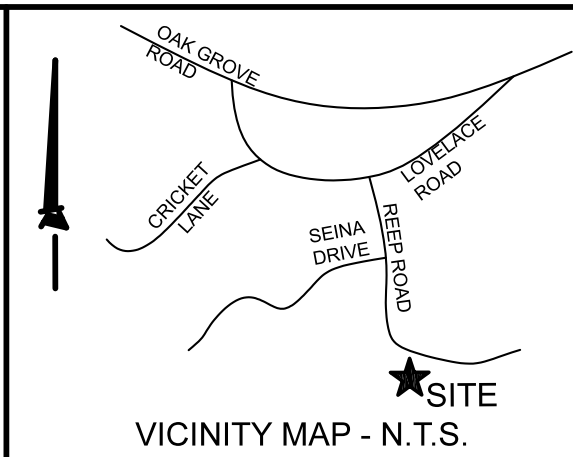


REF: PB 26 PG 28

LINE	BEARING	DISTANCE
L1	S 65°43'24" E	37.39'
L2	S 56°14'10" E	76.51'
L3	S 57°27'09" E	52.42'
L4	S 69°51'47" E	70.48'

GENERAL NOTES:

1. SURVEY BASED ON PHYSICAL EVIDENCE AND EXISTING CONDITIONS.
2. SURVEY PREPARED WITHOUT BENEFIT OF TITLE ABSTRACT. THE SURVEYED PROPERTY IS SUBJECT TO ANY EXISTING EASEMENTS, RIGHTS-OF-WAY, RESTRICTIONS, SETBACK LINES, BURIED UTILITIES, PIPES, TANKS, MINERAL RIGHTS, TIMBER RIGHTS, AND LANDFILLS WHETHER OR NOT SHOWN ON THIS PLAT AND WHETHER OR NOT RECORDED IN THE PUBLIC RECORD.
3. NO NC GRID MONUMENTS WERE FOUND WITHIN 2,000 FEET OF SURVEY, UNLESS OTHERWISE INDICATED.
4. UNDERGROUND UTILITIES WERE NOT LOCATED EXCEPT AS SHOWN. WHERE SHOWN, BY OBSERVED EVIDENCE ONLY, UNLESS OTHERWISE NOTED.
5. BEARINGS SHOWN HEREON ARE DEGREES, MINUTES, AND SECONDS AND DISTANCES ARE US SURVEY FOOT, UNLESS OTHERWISE INDICATED.



IPF (3/4" SI 3"AG)
S 23°24'24" E 229.03' (TIE)
IPF (1/2" SI IN TREE ROOT 3"AG)
S 23°24'24" E 231.61' (TIE)

DAVID W. IVESTER &
FAYE IVESTER
DB 1636, PG 596
LOT 2
MAGGIE O. FORD
PB 25, PG 28

JAMES N. WILSON, JR &
CYNTHIA I. WILSON
DB 1318, PG 540
MAGGIE O. FORD
PB 25, PG 28
PID# 55884
2.00 ACRES TOTAL
0.07 ACRE (IN R/W)
1.93 ACRES REMAINING

JAMES N. WILSON, JR &
CYNTHIA I. WILSON
DB 1318, PG 2198
MAGGIE O. FORD
PB 25, PG 28
PID# 55885
2.21 ACRES TOTAL
0.05 ACRE (IN R/W)
2.16 ACRES REMAINING

KENNETH H. BUMGARDNER &
BARBARA F. BUMGARDNER
DB 1568, PG 1664
LOT 3
MAGGIE O. FORD
PB 25, PG 28

JOHN G. PATTERSON &
PATRICIA P. CARROLL
DB 18E, PG 472

MICHAEL L. MAYES
DB 1398, PG 533

I CERTIFY THAT THIS MAP WAS DRAWN FROM AN ACTUAL SURVEY MADE UNDER MY SUPERVISION (DEED DESCRIPTION RECORDED IN BOOK _____ AS _____ PAGE _____ SHOWN) OR OTHER REFERENCE SOURCE AS SHOWN. BOUNDARIES NOT SURVEYED WERE DRAWN FROM OTHER REFERENCE SOURCE AS SHOWN. AREA WAS DETERMINED BY COMPUTER AND THE PRECISION OR POSITIONAL ACCURACY IS 1:10000+. THIS MAP MEETS THE REQUIREMENTS OF THE NC STANDARDS OF PRACTICE FOR LAND SURVEYING. THIS MAP WAS NOT PREPARED FOR RECORDING.

PRELIMINARY PLAT
NOT FOR RECORDATION,
CONVEYANCES, OR SALES.

LEGEND

IPF	IRON PIN FOUND (TYPE NOTED)
IPS	IRON PIN SET #4 REBAR SET FLUSH (UNLESS OTHERWISE NOTED)
UMP	UNMARKED POINT
AG	ABOVE GROUND
BG	BELOW GROUND
EOP	EDGE OF PAVEMENT
R/W	RIGHT-OF-WAY
PP	POWER POLE
WM	WATER METER
PG	PROPANE GAS TANK
ACU	AC UNIT
PM	POWER METER
AHU	AUTO HEAT UNIT
OHE	OVERHEAD ELECTRIC LINE
---	FENCE
---	SURVEYED LINE
---	UNSURVEYED LINE (WHEN BEARING & DISTANCE NOT SHOWN)
---	ROAD RIGHT-OF-WAY LINE
---	CREEK LINE

SURVEY MADE AT THE REQUEST OF:

JAMES N. WILSON, JR &
CYNTHIA I. WILSON

CLEVELAND COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA
NUMBER 5 TOWNSHIP
SCALE: 1" = 60'
DEED REF: AS SHOWN
DATE: 13 JUNE 2019
PID: 55884 & 55885
JOB: 2019-155-WILSON.DWG



APPLICATION FOR A CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT

Name of Applicant: James Nile Wilson, Jr & Cynthia I. Wilson
Mailing Address: 142 Reep Road
Kings Mountain, NC 28086
Phone: (Home) 704-996-8705 (Work) 704-996-8705

TO THE CLEVELAND COUNTY BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT:

I/We, the undersigned, hereby petition the Board Of Adjustment to issue a "Conditional Use" permit in the name of

Defcon Delta Tactical, LLC

for the use of the property located at 142 Reep Road Kings Mountain, NC 28086

Tax Map # 3136 Block # 1/1 Lot # 83/84 in Cleveland County Zoning District.
Parcel # 55884/55885

Title to this property is in the name of:

James Nile Wilson, Jr & Cynthia I. Wilson
Name

142 Reep Road
Mailing Address

Kings Mountain, NC 28086
City / State / Zip Code

The authority of the Cleveland County Board of Adjustment to grant the requested Conditional Use is contained in the Cleveland County Code, Section(s) _____.

The requested Conditional Use is described as follows:

We are a private training and instructional facility, it
is not open to the public. We offer a variety of classes
including concealed carry, close quarter protection, home
defense, force on force, non-lethal simulation training,
50 yard max pistol training, Vcq (vehicle close quarter
defense) as well as security consultant on & off premises.

APPLICATION FOR A CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT

The Board of Adjustment may request additional information as listed in Section 12.33(b). If this information is available, the applicant may explain below and/or show on the site plan.

Attach a site plan of the subject property, accurately drawn to scale showing the dimensions and shapes of the lot, the size and locations of existing and proposed buildings on the lot and any other important features of the property.

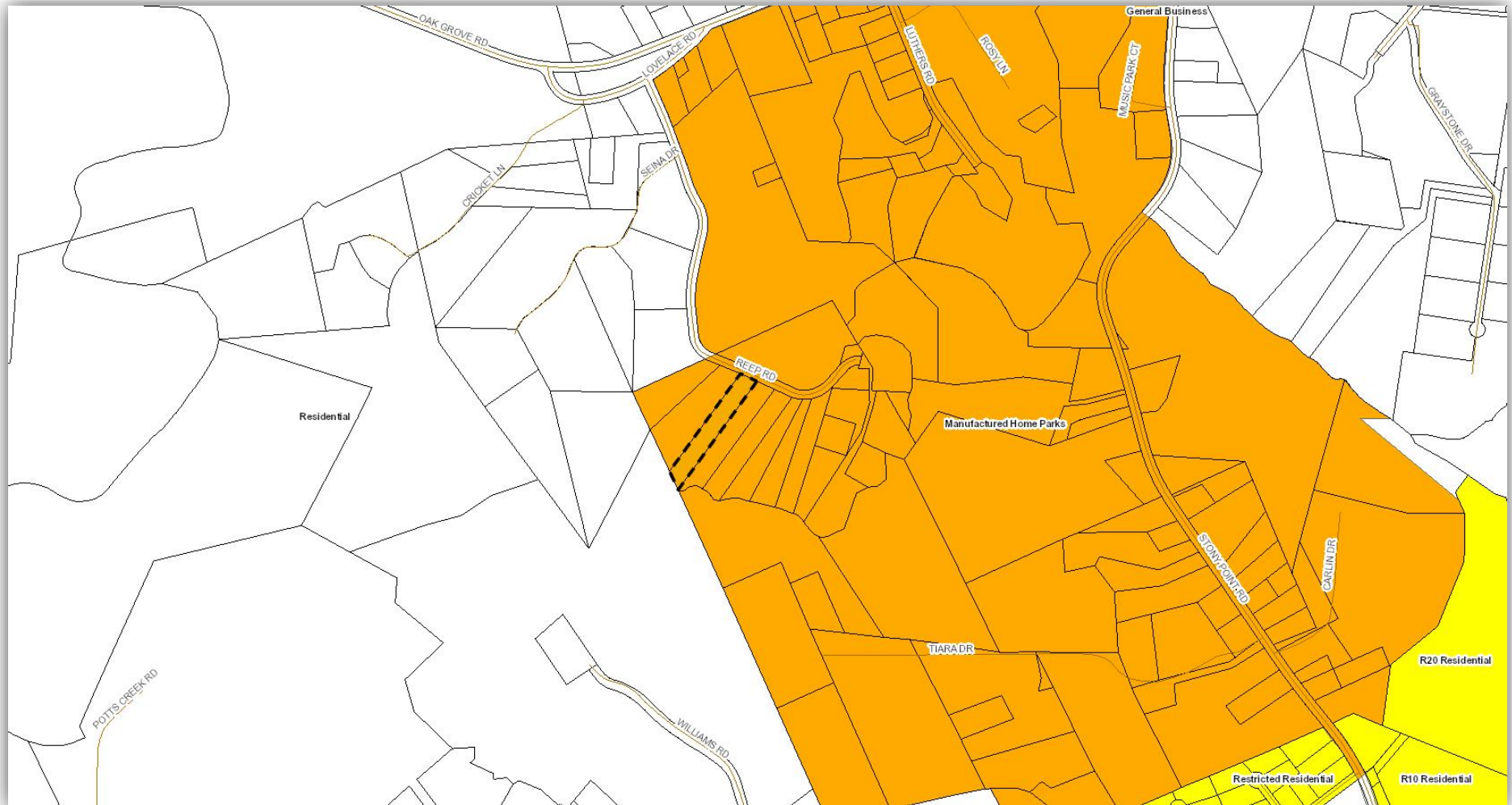
It is understood by this applicant that the approval of this application by the Board authorizes only the Conditional Use requested herein by this applicant and that all conditions and requirements imposed by the Development Ordinance and/or by the Board shall be properly maintained and complied with at all times.

I/We hereby certify that the information contained in this application, including attachments, is true and correct to the best of my/our knowledge and belief.

Signature of Applicant

6-3-19
Date of Application

Case # 19-10 CUP for 142 Reep Road
Zoning Map, Parcel # 55884 2.08 acres



Case # 19-10 CUP for 142 Reep Road
Aerial Map, Parcel # 55884 & 55885, 4.2 acres total



U.S. Department of Justice
Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives

Federal Firearms License
(18 U.S.C. Chapter 44)

In accordance with the provisions of Title I, Gun Control Act of 1968, and the regulations issued thereunder (27 CFR Part 478), you are licensed to engage in the business specified in this license, within the limitations of Chapter 44, Title 18, United States Code, and the regulations issued thereunder, until the expiration date shown. **THIS LICENSE IS NOT TRANSFERABLE UNDER 27 CFR 478.51. See "WARNINGS" and "NOTICES" on reverse**

Direct ATF Correspondence To	ATF - Chief FFLC 244 Needy Road Martinsburg, WV 25405-9431	License Number	1-56-045-07-1J-13093
Chief, Federal Firearms Licensing Center (FFLC)		Expiration Date	September 1, 2021
Name Tracy Robertson DEFCON DELTA TACTICAL LLC			

Premises Address (Changes? Notify the FFLC at least 30 days before the move.)

142 REEP RD
KINGS MOUNTAIN, NC 28086

Type of License

07-MANUFACTURER OF FIREARMS OTHER THAN DESTRUCTIVE DEVICES

Purchasing Certification Statement

Mailing Address (Changes? Notify the FFLC of any changes.)

The licensee named above shall use a copy of this license to assist a transfer of firearms to verify the identity and the licensed status of the licensee as provided by 27 CFR Part 478. The signature on each copy must be an original signature. A faxed, scanned or e-mailed copy of the license with a signature intended to be an original signature is acceptable. The signature must be that of the Federal Firearms Licensee (FFL) or a responsible person of the FFL. Certify that this is a true copy of a license issued to the licensee named above to engage in the business specified above under "Type of License."

DEFCON DELTA TACTICAL LLC
DEFCON DELTA TACTICAL LLC
142 REEP RD
KINGS MOUNTAIN, NC 28086

James Nile Wilson, Jr.
Licensee/Responsible Person Signature
CEO
8-6-18
Printed Name
Position Title
Date

ATF Form 8 (5310.11)
Revised October 2011

Previous Edition is Obsolete

Federal Firearms License (FFL) Customer Service Information

Federal Firearms Licensing Center (FFLC)
244 Needy Road
Martinsburg, WV 25405-9431

Toll-free Telephone Number (866) 662-2750
Toll-free Fax Number (866) 257-2749
E-mail NLC@atf.gov

ATF Homepage www.atf.gov
FFL eZ Check www.atfonline.gov/flezcheck

Change of Address (27 CFR 478.52). Licensees may during the term of their current license remove their business or activity to a new location at which they intend regularly to carry on such business or activity by filing an Application for an Amended Federal Firearms License, ATF Form 5300.38, in duplicate, not less than 30 days prior to such removal with the Chief, Federal Firearms Licensing Center. The application must be executed under the penalties of perjury and penalties imposed by 18 U.S.C. 924. The application shall be accompanied by the licensee's original license. The license will be valid for the remainder of the term of the original license. (The Chief, FFLC, shall, if the applicant is not qualified, refer the application for amended license to the Director of Industry Operations for denial in accordance with § 478.71.)

Right of Succession (27 CFR 478.56). (a) Certain persons other than the licensee may secure the right to carry on the same firearms or ammunition business at the same address shown on, and for the remainder of the term of, a current license. Such persons are: (1) The surviving spouse or child, or executor, administrator, or other legal representative of a deceased licensee; and (2) A receiver or trustee in bankruptcy, or an assignee for benefit of creditors. (b) In order to secure the right provided by this section, the person or persons continuing the business shall furnish the license for that business for endorsement of such succession to the Chief, FFLC, within 30 days from the date on which the successor begins to carry on the business.

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Federal Firearms License (FFL) Information Card

License Name: DEFCON DELTA TACTICAL LLC
Business Name: DEFCON DELTA TACTICAL LLC
License Number: 1-56-045-07-1J-13093
License Type: 07-MANUFACTURER OF FIREARMS OTHER THAN DESTRUCTIVE DEVICES
Expiration: September 1, 2021

Please Note: Not Valid for the Sale or Other Disposition of Firearms

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U.S. Department of Justice
Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives

2019 Special Tax Stamp

Name and Principal Business Address

DEFCON DELTA TACTICAL LLC
DEFCON DELTA TACTICAL LLC
142 REEP RD
KINGS MOUNTAIN, NC 28086

Tax Statement
(Annual Tax Rate) 500.00
Initial Tax: . . . \$ 500.00
Additions: . . . \$.00
Total Tax PAID \$ 500.00

**TAX
2019
YEAR**

**THIS IS NOT A BILL.
DO NOT PAY THE AMOUNT NOTED.**

Actual Physical Business Address (See Number 2 below)

DEFCON DELTA TACTICAL LLC
DEFCON DELTA TACTICAL LLC
142 REEP RD
KINGS MOUNTAIN, NC 28086

Type of Operation Conducted
(72) NFA FIREARMS MFGR (REDUCED)

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Number of Locations

1 OF 1

This is a receipt of payment of Special (Occupational) Tax (SOT) under the National
Firearms Act. (27 CFR 479.36)

If You Have Any Questions, Refer To The Information Below

Date of This Receipt

AUGUST 21, 2018

Dates of Special Tax Period

07/01/2018 TO 06/30/2019

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OR

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244 Needy Road
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Martinsburg, WV 25405

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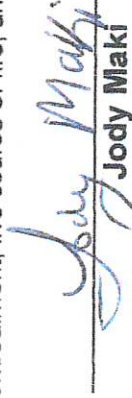
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James Nile, Jr Wilson

for successful completion of the

DEFENSIVE PISTOL STRATEGIC FUNDAMENTALS COURSE

Including: defensive strategies, criminal motivations and statistics, less than lethal options, smart technology options, drawing from concealment, live course of fire, and overall safe firearms handling.


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CEO, Lead Firearms Instructor

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NRA Instructor ID: 201315138

BCI Instructor License: I104935

07/26/2018

Course Date

This course is taught by Certified MD HQL, NRA, MN BCA and Utah BCI Instructors and meets the mandatory training requirements for demonstration of handgun competency.

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NRA INSTRUCTOR

and is authorized to teach the following basic courses:
Certified Pistol



NRA


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NATIONAL RIFLE ASSOCIATION

North Carolina Criminal Justice Training and Standards Division

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Chairman

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Cleveland County Board of Adjustments
311 East Marion Street
Shelby, NC 28152

Dear Sir/Madam:

This letter and our signature is to serve as our official statement in support of Defcon Delta Tactical, LLC located at 142 Reep Road in Kings Mountain, NC 28086 to continue operating. We support Defcon Delta Tactical as a training center and a private instruction facility. We support this local business and we feel it is an asset to our community as it serves others in training. It is also our desire to state that we feel this business serves our community well as it is in harmony with us as adjacent land owners. Please feel free to contact us with further questions should you need to.

Sincerely,

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30 May 2019

Cleveland County Board of Adjustments
P.O. Box 1210
Shelby
NC 28151

RE: Letter of Reference – Conditional Use Permit – Defcon Delta Tactical, LLC

To Whom It May Concern:

I have been requested by Defcon Delta Tactical, LLC to supply a Letter of Character. It is with great pleasure that I write this.

Currently, I am the CEO of Richards & Black, LLC. which is a high end Close Protection and Secure Courier Services business based out of Fort Mill, SC. We are a NC PPSB licensed Security Company and hold Licenses for Secure Courier and Private Investigation. We have been operating in the USA, since 2013. We have global reach and have conducted details and training in many theatres across the globe.

In a personal capacity, I have worked in the Close Protection arena since 2003, providing High Risk Protection to Royalty, Dignitaries, High Net Worth Individuals, Celebrities and local business leaders. Currently, I am also the USA Representative for Ronin SA, an International Accredited Close Protection Course that is headquartered in Cape Town, South Africa.

In 2018, I approached Nile Wilson, Defcon Delta Tactical's CEO, with the intention of setting up a relationship with the purpose of bringing the Ronin SA Close Protection course to the USA. Ronin SA is well known globally in the International Close Protection arena as being one of the top courses to attend, with its graduates' sort after by International Firms, Dignitaries and Corporate Clientele. With this in mind, suppliers of services for this undertaking have to be of a caliber and standing that is on par or above that which Ronin SA strives for.

With the standards of training that we provide, we look to build and maintain relationships with like-minded individuals who hold the same exacting standards without compromise. After searching through many service providers, we came to Defcon Delta Tactical with a concept and requirement that was absolute and non-negotiable. Nile and his company have stepped up to the plate and provided nothing but exceptional and meticulous response.

In the current climate of questionable service providers, Nile and his team have demonstrated repeatedly a standard which is by far, superior to any company that we have dealt with. On our initial site visit, Nile was well prepared and talked through every aspect of the project that was applicable to him, offering relevant and precise details to requirements and ways to enhance this.

Safety is paramount to our organization, and through our numerous meetings and walk throughs, Defcon Delta Tactical has consistently made strides to ensure that that is addressed. If we find instances or a potential for an issue, Defcon Delta Tactical wastes no time in formulating a plan to correct this and

implement a new procedure. I have been appraised of every change that has happened with the range since my first interaction with Nile, and to date I am impressed with the standards he has strived to maintain in this regard.

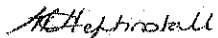
Defcon Delta Tactical are well positioned to provide training that is unparalleled in the private shooting community. With their experience, access to relevant and current subject matter experts, as well as the desire to educate the civilian population, I feel that other entities have a long way to go to match the level of commitment and professionalism they achieve on a daily basis.

Their current range is a prime example of where they stand out from commercial ranges. While every shooter has a different approach, and different skill level, commercial ranges do not offer the individual the chance to be catered for on a one-to-one basis. Furthermore, the ability to practice marksmanship and skills that are relevant to firearm ownership are enhanced on the Defcon Delta Tactical range. Their offers of a Shoot House, Open Range and Handgun Lanes, allows individuals of varying ability numerous avenues to enhance their abilities and become proficient.

I have colleagues that have made use of Defcon Delta Tactical courses and instruction over the last few years and I have yet to hear one negative report or mention of a questionable practice. While Defcon Delta Tactical has the facilities and the ability to offer the One-On-One training that they do, I have no doubt in my mind that private firearm instruction will flourish under their tutelage, and that civilians will be the winners in this arena.

As a corporate entity, with years of firearms training and experience, I trust no other entity with our training. We at Richards & Black, LLC and Ronin SA (USA) look forward to a long relationship and look forward to being able to continue our Firearms Module with them at their facility, well into the future.

Sincerely



Shaun Heptinstall | Principal, CEO

www.richardsandblack.com

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Mr. Kevin Colwell
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03 June, 2019

Cleveland County Board of Adjustments,

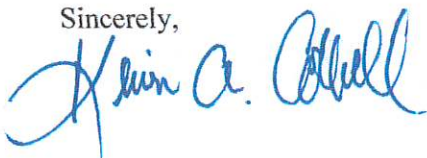
Please accept this character and professional reference for Mr. Nile Wilson, and his business DEFCON DELTA TACTICAL, LLC. I became acquainted with Mr. Wilson approximately eight months ago after being paired with him at a charity 3-gun shooting event. I was immediately impressed by the width and depth of his knowledge on weapons, shooting, tactics, range operations, and most importantly, safety.

I am a currently serving member of the US Army, and recently eclipsed 29 years of total service, with 21.5 of those years on Active Duty. All but two of my years have been as a "Green Beret" with US Army Special Forces. I have served in peacetime, peace-keeping, nation-building, and of course combat, in multiple nations across the globe. I have had extensive weapons, shooting, and tactical training, and as a "Green Beret," have spent countless hours perfecting these skills, and in turn, teaching, coaching, and mentoring the armies and soldiers of many allied and friendly nations on these same skills. I see many of these same attributes in Mr. Wilson.

I have spent countless hours discussing DEFCON DELTA, its mission, core beliefs, training methodologies, and course curriculums with Mr. Wilson since our introduction. It is my belief that he and his staff have designed a facility and course offerings that fill much needed gaps in training for people of all walks of life. The gap I am extremely excited to see DEFCON DELTA fill in particular, is the gap between typical concealed carry weapon (CCW) classes offered by nearly every range and training facility and the high-end tactical training offered by many of these same facilities. Mr. Wilson and his staff have uniquely positioned DEFCON DELTA to be the industry leader with their "Stonghold Course," which offers everyday people a scenario-based course to follow their concealed carry course, and is driven by the most likely scenarios a person carrying a concealed weapon might encounter at home, work, in their car, or out in public. The "Stronghold Course" is just their first course offering that will lead the industry in closing the gap in training that exists in nearly every other facility like it across the nation.

Mr. Wilson has repeatedly impressed me as a family man, with strong moral convictions, and a passion for offering hands-on training in a controlled, safe environment designed to enhance the mindset and capabilities of persons choosing to exercise their Second Amendment rights. It is my belief that Mr. Wilson and DEFCON DELTA will be a value-added community partner and business, and that Cleveland County is lucky to have such an honest, sincere businessman and community member seeking to operate within their jurisdiction. It is from my capacity as a "Green Beret" of nearly three decades that I offer my strongest personal endorsement of Mr. Wilson and DEFCON DELTA TACTICAL, LLC.

Sincerely,



Eric Stansifer, CEO
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June 3, 2019

To: Cleveland County Board of Adjustment
311 E. Marion Street
Shelby, NC 28150

Re: Defcon Delta
142 Reep Road
Kings Mountain, NC 28086
Conditional Use Permit

Cleveland County Board of Adjustment,

My name is Eric Stansifer and I am the CEO and Founder of Dark Horse MTE and Cutter Machine Works, a Federal Firearms Type 7 License Holder. I have an extensive background in self defense and personal protection. I served in the United States Army Reserves and National Guard from 1986-1995 with the 11th and 19th Special Forces as a parachute rigger and communications sergeant. I have an extensive background in martial arts with credentials as a 3rd Degree Black Belt in Tomiki Aikido and a Brown belt in Brazilian Jiu Jitsu. My firearms credentials include NRA Pistol Instructor, USCCA Concealed Carry Instructor and Defensive Shooting Level 1 & 2 Instructor. I have hundreds of hours training with Tactical Defense Institute in Southern Ohio and many notable instructors in the firearms training industry. I have been training and teaching self defense with and without weapons to men, women, children, law enforcement, military and private security for over 20 years.

Dark Horse MTE is a training organization based out of Columbus, Ohio, USA. Our mission is to empower people through proven and innovative proven training methods to establish a survival mindset to overcome violent encounters. Our mission and purpose was born out of the necessity to prepare ourselves and our communities to be our own initial responders in time of need and better prepare the first responders in our communities by providing proper training facilities and resources to small and medium size law enforcement agencies in our communities that do not have the resources for training environments to adequately prepare them for the challenges they face in protecting our communities.

Responsibly armed citizens are becoming aware of the need for additional training to be better prepared. Dark Horse has aligned itself with a network of professionals across the country to provide instructional resources. Defcon Delta is an organization we have chosen to partner with to provide skilled instruction in training modalities that can simply save lives. Violent encounters in real life are extremely challenging to replicate in training environments in a safe manner while providing skills necessary to be beneficial to the student. Professionalism, safety and sound character are attributes that cannot be compromised. The instructors and staff with Defcon Delta have proven themselves to be highest caliber professionals seeking to innovate and develop programs that benefit the community by training civilians, law enforcement and private security both locally and globally.

Defcon Delta already provides a facility that offers a safe environment designed for defensive training which cannot be performed at public or private ranges in the area. Move and shoot tactical training necessary to develop real life skills is generally not available to the public or most law enforcement communities. Moreover the intensive individual instruction and group instructor to student ratio provided is not available with current organizations. The quality of instruction is extremely effective, Defcon Delta strives to improve the safety and capability of their facility to expand their offerings and serve more people in the community and strengthen communities by providing facilities and training for first responders. Dark Horse is currently constructing a 52 acre training center inspired by Defcon Delta and their facility. Local law enforcement agencies have given letters of intent instrumental in our funding due to review of Defcon Delta training citing that the training concepts are simply not available to small and medium agencies.

In conclusion, I encourage the board of adjustment to grant the conditional use permit to Defcon Delta to expand and improve their facility. Violent encounters in our society are increasing with evil doers acting out in all communities across the nation. No longer can we say; "I never thought that would happen here". Citizens must take action to become prepared. Defcon Delta is providing a service that could simply save lives. Their innovative approach to self defense training is needed by citizens and professionals alike in their local community and across the United States. Dark Horse MTE is proud to be a part of the Defcon Delta network and people in our area will directly benefit from their success.

Sincerely,



Eric Stansifer

CEO-Dark Horse MTE | Cutter Machine Works

614-395-3605

Cleveland County Board of Adjustments,

My name is Dominick Uva, and I am writing this letter to attest to the quality of training, staff, and facilities, at Defcon Delta LLC. I currently work at 5.11 Tactical in Charlotte, NC as a retail manager, but I also recently came on board Nile's staff as his Media Coordinator. I run all Defcon Delta's social media, the website, videography, etc., but I also help plan and instruct the courses and training we offer here in Kings Mountain.

Before I worked at 5.11 Tactical – and now with Defcon Delta – I spent 7 years on active duty in the Army as an Infantryman. Throughout my tenure in the Army I served in various roles of leadership and spent time overseas on three combat tours to Afghanistan. I've spent countless hours learning, teaching, and putting to use, fighting, shooting, and trauma skills. I can honestly say in all my time in classrooms and on ranges, I have never met an instructor more methodical and dedicated in the way he approaches training, safety, and planning than Nile Wilson.

Nile and his family are the humblest and most well trained "everyday American family" I have ever met. Nile and Cynthia's priority in all they do is helping the community and affording people the chance to learn a new skill that might save their lives' one day. Nile's experience and extensive training history set him apart from most shooting instructors I know. Nile offers his patrons something different that most of your run of the mill trainers don't, one-on-one reality-based training for everyday encounters.

Defcon Delta's blocks of instruction offer folks basic skills and practice in pistol use, rifle use, home defense, vehicle defense, and first aid. The aim is to help people become familiar with weapons, defense, and possible trauma (as a result of self-defense), to create a better more prepared citizen. Nile spares no expense in ensuring his facility - and training - are operated in the safest manner possible. Standard operating procedures are in place, facility rules, waivers, and release forms are drafted, and all attendees are made to read, understand, and sign these documents before any training takes place.

Trainees at Defcon Delta are always taught the proper way to handle firearms and are monitored throughout their time on the range by Defcon Delta staff. A detailed safety brief, given verbally and via PowerPoint, is conducted prior to all training. Students know where the hospital is, what to do in case of an emergency, and where their "no-shoot zones" are. The facility is also fully stocked with first aid, trauma gear, sanitation supplies, and hydration stations. The cadre at Defcon Delta also strictly enforce the use of (ANSI approved) protective eyewear, hearing protection, and other personal protective equipment necessary for some of the courses offered at the facility.

Nile and his family have done something special in creating Defcon Delta. It is certainly a rare thing to find a man who is willing to spend his life's savings to transform the place where he and his family reside into a shooting and training center, with his sole intent not being how much he can earn from it, but how much he can give back to his community.

Thank you for your consideration,


Dominick Uva

Cleveland County Board of Adjustments,

My name is Tanner Stafford, and I am writing this letter to support Nile Wilson and corroborate the need for a facility like Defcon Delta. As a resident of Charlotte for over nineteen years I can tell you that there is no other instructor that cares about our community more than Nile. Defcon Delta LLC was established in his own back yard, with his own money, for the sole purpose of providing training and education to the public.

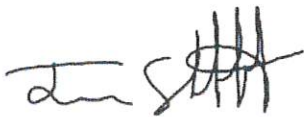
I am a retail manager at the local 5.11 store in Charlotte and met Nile over a year ago. When I first met Nile, I could immediately see that he was a man with great integrity and had a passion for helping others better themselves. Nile pursues his dream of helping others by providing people a safe and well managed facility to execute real world training. I have been to many different ranges and taken many different classes with local instructors; I can ensure you Defcon Delta has the best hands on training I have received. You cannot find the type of training or range like Defcon Delta anywhere in this area.

Nile and the Defcon Delta staff put safety as their top priority while executing their training. Nile ensures that each person understands proper and safe use of firearms and training equipment. A safety brief is given before each class and the Defcon Delta team makes sure that each person taking the class understands the importance of safety while on the range. At no point during training did I not fully understand what was going on, what was expected of me, or what to do in case something went wrong.

The training Nile offers is something I hope everyone can experience. Nile and the team use thier experiences to conduct training applicable to everyday life. His aim is to help people be prepared no matter what life may throw at them. He does that by placing people in different scenarios, using training rounds, and appropriate force on force, to allow people to experience what some of these self-defense situations can feel like and how to handle themselves. It is not something anyone else is doing; but it is certainly something that should continue to be offered in this area. Defcon Delta staff pours their time and efforts into caring for the facility, preparing training courses, and assisting people in one on one environments.

Defcon Delta has only just now started to gain traction throughout the region, but its roots are already firmly planted. It's clear to see they will soon be woven into the very fabric of our community.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Tanner Stafford', with a stylized, overlapping flourish at the end.

Tanner Stafford



Cleveland County Board of Adjustments
RE: Nile Wilson, Defcon Delta

To Whom it May Concern:

My name is Charlie Lemonds, I am a National Rifle Association certified instructor and a North Carolina Conceal Carry Instructor. I have had the privilege of training with Mr. Wilson at his facility and my own. Our combined training has been beneficial to both of us as we have implemented aspects of this training in our classes. I can tell you from experience that Mr. Wilson's training and facility is second to none.

Training with Mr. Wilson at his facility is a great place for people to learn not only how to shoot but also proper techniques for handling weapons and for personal defense utilizing different scenarios. This training is not available at public ranges as I am not aware of any other facility that has a "shoot house" that can be utilized by the public. Private training is more beneficial to the person learning and also to the general public than for someone to just go to a public range to learn to shoot. Private training gives people more direct training, sometimes on a one-on-one basis.

Students are supervised at all times, they are NEVER left alone.

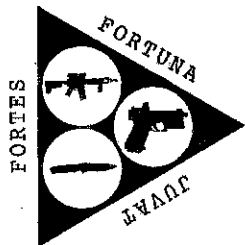
I believe that if Mr. Wilson is not allowed to use his facility it would be a great loss not only to people wanting to learn but also to law enforcement as they also are allowed access to this facility.

If you have any questions please feel free to call me at 704-984-8138.

Thank you,

Charlie Lemonds

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COMMITTEE REFERENCE LETTER

To Whom This May Concern,

On behalf of SPECTrain LLC, a North Carolina based company focused on firearms and self-defense training, this is a professional reference for Mr. Nile Lander & the Defcon Delta Facility. We have previously been invited to lead a variety of medical and firearms related training courses at the Defcon Delta facility. SPECTrain proudly carries an unblemished safety record.

SPECTrain's staff is comprised of NRA Certified Range Safety Officers and Instructors, Army, Navy and Marine Combat Veterans with more than 40 years of combined experience, Active and Retired Law Enforcement Officers, and Certified Medical Instructors. Collectively we agree that the Defcon Delta facility is adequately designed, equipped, and located to facilitate firearms related training without causing harm or danger to the surrounding community or environment. Given the experience of our Cadre and our demonstrated understanding of what it takes to safely and responsibly offer courses focused on education, take this reference into consideration when making decisions related to operations of this private facility.

We welcome any request for additional information as it relates to this letter.

Respectfully,

Chris Urrutia
Owner & Head Instructor

Thomas Arrington
Creative Director

Billy Barton
Operations Officer & Lead Instructor

Logan Ellis,
NREMT, NAEMT, AHA, AND ACS Certified
Medical Instructor

Trey Wade
NRA RSO, Instructor & Marketing Director

Members of the Cleveland County Board of Adjustments:

My name is Dr. Jack W. Skaggs PhD and I am writing this as a letter of support for Defcon Delta LLC. I am a college professor, advocate of military, civil service and purveyor of health and safety of everyday people. I do a lot of work with civil service, military service and our soldiers who were injured during deployment. I've developed training programs for many elite level service men and women as well as civilians looking to improve their ability to protect themselves and their families.

At Defcon Delta LLC, they provide a service leaps and bounds above what you see at a typical public range. The staff not only have proper training but have lived the lifestyle of protecting our freedoms in our homeland and abroad. The service they provide is of most importance to ensure civilians and communities they impact receive the most up to date and effective training around. Their rigorous process of evaluation and detailed critique of their clientele ensure they have the best and safest training around should the participants unfortunately be put in the position to act accordingly.

The common trend of similar businesses is in a large group format at a public range which can sometimes result in 30 participants under the direction and instruction of two safety officers. At Defcon Delta LLC, they use a more innovative and effective approach by utilizing small groups and private training that allows for ALL clients to receive one on one attention and instruction from their trained professionals. By thinking outside the box and focusing on the quality and individualized instruction they deliver a superior product that far exceeds the norm. The rigorous attention to detail in their instruction leads to superior safety practices, skills and reactions.

Respectfully Yours,

Jack W. Skaggs PhD., CSCS, CES

From: Jason Champion

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Subject: Cleveland County Board of Adjustments

Date: May 29, 2019 at 18:10:57

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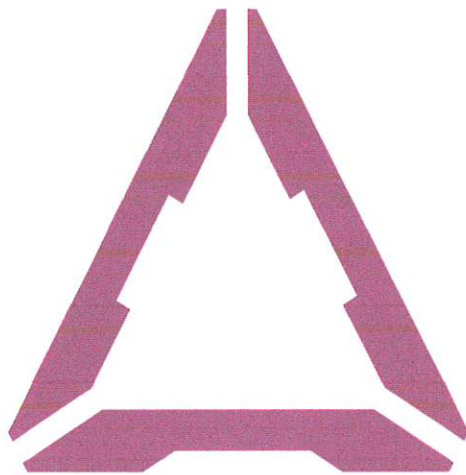
Attn: Cleveland County Board of Adjustments

Good afternoon. My name is Jason Champion. I live in Shelby, NC. I was born and raised here in Cleveland County. I have Cleveland County change drastically over the years. Me being a civilian with a family I don't like the change it has made. My wife and I have our Conceal Carry permits.

I have known Nile Wilson and his family for a few years now. DEFCON DELTA is the best thing to come to this area. The staff is made up of made up of private contractors, active/ non-active military, and local law enforcement. Not only do I take the classes they provide but I also train with Nile and his entire staff. I currently help them with some of their classes. As a civilian; I can give a different perspective to the people taking the courses. My first class was an eye opener for me.

I feel the services that DEFCON DELTA provides is very much needed in Cleveland County and abroad. Personally I feel the private training is more in-depth and personal than your average public ranges. The main focus on safety for yourself, family, and handling of your weapon is remarkable. Public ranges DO NOT take the time or in-

depth one-on-one/group focus that is applied at DEFCON. Each student, at some point, in the class gets one-on-one training from one of the highly qualified staff members for any concerns they may have. The "real life" scenarios we train for are scenarios that average civilian could experience anytime in their life. Each one is broke down and critique from start to finish after the students complete it to help them understand the laws and what they could do different so they can understand how to properly protect them and their family properly. Public ranges do not have the time nor the resources to expand on these scenarios. The training that is provided at DEFCON DELTA LLC. is very much needed for today's world.



DEFCON DELTA

BATTLE READY

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STANDARD ORDER OF PROCEDURE

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1. Introduction

1.1. Purpose

Organize

Conduct

Supervise

Safety shooting practices as well as proper storage and protocol for firearms

1.2. Scope

To train and equip individuals, in the practice of firearm proficiency, safety marksmanship, self-defense, maintenance, storage and function of a firearm.

1.3. Roles and Responsibilities

The following documents and sites are referenced throughout this SOP.

Role	Definition
RSO	Ensures range users follow range regulations and safety policies.
CRSO	Trains RSOs and develops range SOPs with guidance from range owner
Student	A shooter, one participating in class event
Media	Photographer, videographer, drone operator

1.4. References

The following documents and sites are referenced throughout this SOP.

Document	Document Title
UVEX-1	ANSI 87.1 safety classes
ECP	Event Course Procedure

1.5. Abbreviations and Definitions

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2. General Rules

All personal at DDT will be briefed 1 week before class begins and 2 hours before students arrive on site.

Safety and the wellbeing of students, personal as well as the community will be held in the highest regard. DDT has ZERO tolerance for any lack of safety or attitudes that do not support DDT's standards.

Any alcohol, drugs, OC meds are not tolerated and shall not be on premises at any time. Anyone under the influence will be removed from the facility.

There are to be no firearms that does not comply with ATF regulations at any time on DDT facility

If at any time an INST sees or has been made know of a safety issue, they have the authority to stop training or to shut down the training event.

All hydration stations must be kept clear and free from obstruction

And clearly marked (HYDRATION STATION) Bottled water only

All cooling stations will be marked (COOLING STATION)

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2.1. Security

Property of DDT is under live feed surveillance at all times

Students names and Valid Drivers license / passport / visa / Police ID /Military ID are listed on the sign in form at arrival.

All students are monitored and observed at all times, for any un safe practices.

Unsafe practice with firearm, unsafe attitude, at anytime the individual can be removed from the event, by CRSO, RSO, INST.

2.1.1. Students arrival

Arrival of students, each student that attends DDT training, must be checked in at the side gate by DDT Instructor, CRSO, RSO, INST

All firearms are checked that it is unloaded and no ammunition, magazine is in the firearm and the chamber is free from a live round.

Firearm is then discharged by INST into ballistic barrel to ensure there is no live round in chamber as a second measure of safety.

Firearm is then placed back into the case in a safe manner and the student can proceed to the facility for training.

All gates must be closed and latched (not locked) after all students arrive on site and wavier is signed. SRO

Egress must not be hindered at any time during an event.

Ensure all students guns are in safe positions and unloaded if not in active firing line. SRO, INST, CRSO

All firearms stored in personal case of student and unloaded, magazine separate and not in mag well of firearm.

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3. Range Safety Rules

This chapter covers the safe operation of the firing line. These rules apply to the entire range and all firing lines. Unique firing line rules are specified in a sub-section. The Range Safety Rules detailed in the SOP should match those provided to customers.

3.1. Hearing Protection

Hearing protection will consist of. In ears or over the ears that withstand up to 195 decibels or greater.

In ears and over ears are a permitted

Cotton balls, rags, paper towels, music listening devices are not approved items for hearing protection and shall not be used.

All bystanders or anyone inside the perimeter of 100 yards of discharged firearms shall have appropriate ear protection as well as approved eye protection

Eye protection shall meet the ANSI Z87.1 Standards

American National Safety Institute (see document UVEX-1)

3.2. Course Specifics / ECP

3.2.1. Course 1 Civilian

Each course is specific and is different. See attached course detail form
Marked as follows

CQBH-19

VCQB-19

Stronghold-19—Home defense / Personal defense/ Sims

Basics pistol-19

Defense Pistol-19

3.2.2. Course 2-LEO/ Units / Contractors

5-CQB-00

5-VCQB-00

5-TTT-00 (Tactical Team Tactics)

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4. Emergency Response

TCCC (Tactical Combat Casualty Care) certified personal and Medics are the only ones authorized to perform medical Assistant's.

Each medical personal will be assigned at each class event.

Safety brief will be held at each class start 09:00

Local Hospital's and EMS, Fire department's with phone numbers and address will be provided to each student and posted in a visible location. The Med Kits shall be changed out once a year.

Onsite med kits are stationed at 2 locations of facility, inside and outside.
Marked with the common medical marking, BLUE CROSS OR RED CROSS

Tourniquet placement will be discussed during every class briefing

Epi pens must be changed out every 3 months

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5. Evacuation Procedures

In the event of inclement weather or any other major even that causes the need to egress quickly, the following shall be put into action.

1. Evaluate the situation, by designated personal or persons approved by DDT
2. Make safe sound decision, delegate as needed.
3. Gather those on site, head count with roll call if time permits.
4. Designate exits for quick egress, with calm, clear and collective speech.
5. If medical attention is need at any point or time during the evacuation, make the proper contact with personal and 911 for effective and efficient measures
6. A egress map will be posted in plain sight and explained during briefing.
- 7.

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6. Pre-Opening

The Range Safety Officer (RSO) must ensure that the ranges, lanes, range equipment, and environmental conditions are safe and appropriate for operation. The RSO should complete a daily pre-opening checklist to record the status of each function, feature, or mechanism to document its operational status.

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Normal Operation

6.1. Range Safety Briefing

1. Roll call
2. Check persons for proper PPE
3. Introduce instructors
4. Explain range COLD and HOT
5. Communicate egress plain
6. Explain emergency locations and directions, Hospitals EMS, Fire Department
7. Medical personal assigned
8. Range rules explained
9. House keeping

6.1.1. Class Safety Briefings

1. Explain class layout
2. Explain Range COLD and HOT
3. Explain safe manner for persons and firearms
4. Explain targets
5. Explain firing lines and boundaries
6. Explain waiting or holding line
7. Explain CQB house and rules if applicable
8. Explain VCQB rules if applicable

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7. Closing

The RSO must complete a daily closing checklist to record the status of each function, feature, or mechanism to document its operational status. Depending upon the size of the range, the closing checklist may take 30 to 60 minutes to complete. These documents must be maintained and made available for inspection.

Daily check list will be compiled by 2 or more instructors upon closing.

Check list is as follows

1. Ensure a cease fire is announced and all firearms are unloaded and in proper storage. All firearms discharged into clearing barrel, instructor present.
2. Ensure all students and personal belonging are accounted for.
3. Debriefing is to be done with students and instructors.
4. Ensure all gates are open for proper egress.
5. Ensure all trash and debris are cleaned up and disposed of in the proper manner.
6. Pick up any spent brass casings and place in buckets with lids.
7. Place all target stands, steel targets in proper location.
8. Take inventory targets used as well as any company ammunition used.
9. Do a final walk through for third look.
10. Lock all storage containers, or buildings.
11. Note and report any damaged or missing items.
12. Close all gates upon leaving.

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9. Record Keeping

All sign in forms are to be accurate and stored in file cabinet

All Certificates and awards are to be signed by INST and students name correctly spelled.

All records of unsafe incident that occurs shall be recorded and filed.

All ammunition records shall be kept and counts adjusted per event.

All information from student shall be filed and kept confidential

All waivers shall be filed and kept for 3 years

All check list shall be filed and double checked by 2 or more staff

All safety test on products shall be recorded and filed

All work logs shall be recorded and filed

All training records shall be recorded by staff that is assigned

All monies paid to DDT for training shall be recorded by 2 or more staff and reported to CFO

9.1. Maintenance and Service Logs

Service logs of Vehicle when used and in the manner it is used

Shall be written in log book marked (VCQB)

Any maintenance done or need to be done on CQB house shall be written in the booked marked(CQBH)

9.2. Incident Reports

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9. Appendix A – Pre-Opening Checklist

Safety first (always think safety)

Ensure all personal are present and in understanding of event at hand.

Instructors are checking PPE

Egress is clear

No tripping hazards present

Hydration station is stocked and clean

Equipment is fully functionable

Understand students arrival time, and names

Med kits are in date and fully stocked

Power point presentation

Wavier forms in place

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11. Appendix B – Closing Checklist

A debriefing shall be gone over and discussed with students.

All firearms are unloaded and in proper storage.

All students are accounted for and personal belongings in had or in their possession.

All steel targets and paper targets placed in proper storage.

All brass picked up.

All trash picked up and placed in dumpster

ALL BUILDINGS CLOSED AND LOCKED

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12. Appendix C – Incident Report

Shall consist of CRSO and SRO class incident with written and recorded verbiage.

If incident in need of (911 call) The CRSO and SRO shall follow up with EMS or Local Police Dept for a full report as well as filed and kept for a period of 3 years to date.

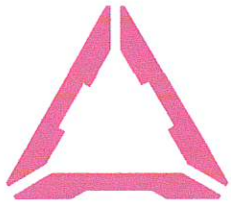
Insurance shall be notified if warranted.

If onsite personal administers medical attention, a detailed report shall be written and voice recorded. A list of items used and given shall be in the report.

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FACILITY RULES

AS OF: 30 MAY 2019

1. Always keep firearms pointed in a safe direction (to include sim guns)!
2. Always keep your finger off the trigger until ready to shoot. Any unsafe acts regarding muzzle direction (flagging) or trigger discipline (to include an ND) can result in your ejection from the course and range.
3. Always keep your gun unloaded until you are at the firing line and the range is declared "HOT." Firearms must be safe (unloaded - magazines removed and actions opened) when entering or exiting the firing line.
4. Cease Fire: Immediately stop shooting when anyone calls "Cease fire."
5. COLD Range: Shooters must check with others to ensure firearms are unloaded, actions open and firearms laid down on the shooting bench before going down range. No one is permitted to handle firearms or stand at the firing line while there is a cold range.
6. HOT Range: Shooters must check with others to ensure there is no one down range; when the range is declared "HOT" shooters are permitted to commence firing.
7. All shooters are responsible for their rounds staying within the confines of this range. Shooters may shoot only from the firing line at the targets within the parameters given by instructors. Shooting at items placed on the ground or at targets not posted at the appropriate height on the target frame may enable rounds to escape the range or cause a ricochet.
8. Respect the Range: Please place your trash into the trash receptacles and be sure to clean up after yourself if using the classroom/shoot house.

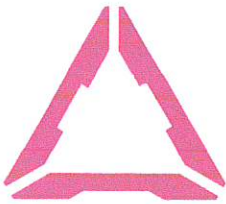
9. PPE: Wear eye and ear protection always while doing live fire of any kind. Body Armor (rated for calibers in use) WILL be worn while conducting live fire shoot house training. Mask and goggles must be worn during sim gun training. No open toe shoes on the range.
10. Let an instructor know if you have any health issues or concerns before beginning a course.
11. We must know ahead of time if you will be bringing a K9 to the range (all animals must get authorization from cadre before being brought to the range).
12. No unaccompanied minors will be allowed on the range. Children 14 and older are permitted if a parent or legal guardian is present and signs a waiver.

PRINTED LEGAL NAME

SIGNATURE

SIGNATURE OF GUARDIAN (IF APPLICABLE)

DATE



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RELEASE AND WAIVER OF LIABILITY AGREEMENT

AS OF: 30 MAY 2019

I, _____, acknowledge that I voluntarily have chosen to join DEFCON DELTA TACTICAL, LLC. I am aware that activities performed by individuals such as myself include using firearms at the range and/or using firearms on the property.

I AM AWARE THAT THESE ACTIVITIES ARE HAZARDOUS ACTIVITIES AND THAT I COULD BE SERIOUSLY INJURED OR EVEN KILLED. I AM VOLUNTARILY PARTICIPATING IN THESE ACTIVITIES WITH KNOWLEDGE OF THE DANGER INVOLVED, AND AGREE TO ASSUME ANY AND ALL LIABILITY ACTIONS WHICH I MIGHT PURSUE AGAINST DEFCON DELTA TACTICAL, LLC FOR ANY AND ALL BODILY INJURY OR INJURIES, DEATH OR DEATHS, OR PROPERTY DAMAGE, INCLUDING ANY AND ALL LIABILITY ACTIONS ARISING OUT OF NEGLIGENCE ON THE PART OF DEFCON DELTA TACTICAL, LLC, ITS AGENTS, OFFICERS AND/OR MEMBERS.

I verify this statement by placing my initials here: _____

Parent or Guardian's initials (if under 18): _____

As consideration for being permitted by DEFCON DELTA TACTICAL, LLC to participate in the aforementioned activities, I forever release DEFCON DELTA TACTICAL, LLC, and their respective directors, officers, employees, volunteers, agents, contractors, and representatives (collectively "Releases") from any and all actions, claims, or demands that I, my assignees, heirs, distributes, guardians, next of kin, spouse and legal representatives now have, or may have in the future, for injury, death, or property damage, related to (i) my participation in these activities, (ii) the negligence or other acts, whether directly connected to these activities or not, and however caused, by any Release, or (iii) the condition of the premises where these activities occur, whether or not I am then participating in the activities. I also agree that I, my assigners, heirs, distributes, guardians, next of kin, spouse and legal representatives will not make a claim against, sue, or attach the property of any Release in connection with any of the matters covered by the foregoing release.

I HAVE CAREFULLY READ THIS AGREEMENT AND FULLY UNDERSTAND ITS CONTENTS. I AM AWARE THAT THIS IS A RELEASE OF LIABILITY AND A CONTRACT BETWEEN DEFCON DELTA TACTICAL, LLC AND MYSELF, AND I SIGN IT OF MY OWN FREE WILL.

Participant Signature: _____

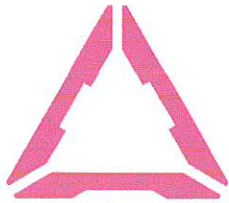
(Guardian Signature): _____

Address: _____

Date: _____

IF YOU ARE UNDER 18 YEARS OF AGE, YOU AND YOUR PARENT OR GUARDIAN MUST SIGN AND INITIAL THIS FORM WHERE INDICATED.

If signed by Parent or Guardian: I verify the dangers of the activities and the significance of this Release and Waiver were explained to the Individual and that the Individual understood them!



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I acknowledge that since my participation with Defcon Delta Tactical LLC is voluntary, I will receive no financial compensation.

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T4E SIM GUN TRAINING

RELEASE AND WAIVER OF LIABILITY AGREEMENT

AS OF: 30 MAY 2019

I, _____, acknowledge that I voluntarily have chosen to join DEFCON DELTA TACTICAL, LLC, in the use of sim gun projectile and home defense training, and am aware that activities performed by individuals such as me include force on force training, hands on fighting, and shooting at others - and being shot by - chalk, paint, or rubber projectiles.

I AM AWARE THAT THESE ACTIVITIES ARE HAZARDOUS ACTIVITIES AND THAT, ALTHOUGH PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT IS PROVIDED, I COULD DAMAGE MY CLOTHING OR PROPERTY, SUSTAIN A WOUND/WELT, AND BE SERIOUSLY INJURED OR EVEN KILLED. I AM VOLUNTARILY PARTICIPATING IN THESE ACTIVITIES WITH KNOWLEDGE OF THE DANGER INVOLVED, AND AGREE TO ASSUME ANY AND ALL LIABILITY ACTIONS WHICH I MIGHT PURSUE AGAINST DEFCON DELTA TACTICAL, LLC FOR ANY AND ALL BODILY INJURY OR INJURIES, DEATH OR DEATHS, OR PROPERTY DAMAGE, INCLUDING ANY AND ALL LIABILITY ACTIONS ARISING OUT OF NEGLIGENCE ON THE PART OF DEFCON DELTA TACTICAL, LLC, ITS AGENTS, OFFICERS AND/OR MEMBERS.

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Participant Signature: _____

(Guardian Signature): _____

Date of Training: _____

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Special Operations Aid & Rescue, Ltd.
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June 8, 2019

Cleveland County Government
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Shelby, NC 28151

To Whom It May Concern:

I am writing to express my support for Nil Defcon Delta Tactical. My name is Alan Elam, and I am an owner of Special Operations Aid & Rescue, Ltd. We have done some training in conjunction with Mr. Wilson and Defcon Delta Tactical. Having watched him and his staff, I have seen first-hand the level of professionalism and safety that his organization is focused on. The training they provide fills a critical need these days and in the current social climate.

Defcon Delta Tactical provides more than safe training. The training that they are providing helps prepare regular citizens, public safety personnel and private security to manage hazards that are more common than folks realize these days. Just this May, a fireman was shot in Wisconsin while tending to a medical patient, by the very patient he was there to help. We think of public safety as a respected and revered profession, but the challenge is that a variety of factors these days puts public safety personnel lives at risk on a daily basis. The training that Defcon Delta Tactical conducts helps bring awareness to these risks. They also teach methods to overcome these risks, which helps public safety personnel make it home at the end of their shift.

Defcon Delta Tactical provides private training for firearms safety and situational awareness during shooting events. Public classes that meet the minimum requirements for "firearm safety" or concealed carry might have students shoot as few as 40 rounds. This is difficult for a student to have any basic understanding of the weapon, much less the responsibility that comes with gun ownership. Students meeting those minimum requirements also have zero understanding of situational awareness and risk assessment. Private training on these complex topics is critical to ensure each student gets information tailored to their needs. Defcon Delta Tactical fills this role.

This can be in the form of different learning styles or additional coverage on specific topics. Students learn through a variety of realistic scenarios that helps them understand challenges they may face in those situations. This helps build student's confidence as well, which is integral with firearms safety. As a training company ourselves, we understand how critical it is to provide realistic scenarios for students to learn and apply proper techniques. A traditional range or public range is a very static environment that doesn't provide any of the same opportunities as Defcon Delta Tactical's private range.

Private training in this fashion is more effective and can be safer than training at a public range. Defcon Delta Tactical has sent their staff through additional training above and beyond the industry standard to ensure that their range operates in a safe fashion, and their staff are trained in medical response for any potential incidents that might occur. As our company conducts trauma medicine training in Charlotte, North Carolina, I can say first hand that there are no other ranges that have sent as many staff through this training, and some ranges here locally have not sent anyone at all. Defcon Delta Tactical even takes it upon themselves to add this training to their programs so that their students are aware in the use of tourniquets and other devices to help render aid. There is also a better student to instructor ratio than seen at public ranges or other firearms safety programs. This helps ensure that there is someone trained who can help prevent any incidents before they occur.

The training programs at Defcon Delta Tactical are filling a critical need these days for individuals here domestically and internationally. While the world is becoming a more dangerous place, the only way to overcome that danger is through the enhanced training provided by organizations such as Defcon Delta Tactical.

If you have any other questions, feel free to reach out to me personally at alan@soarescue.com

Respectfully Submitted,

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