LOCAL LAW NO. 5-05 CHAUTAUQUA COUNTY

A LOCAL LAW BANNING POSSESSION OF FIREARMS AND OTHER DANGEROUS WEAPONS IN CHAUTAUQUA COUNTY BUILDINGS

BE IT ENACTED, by the Legislature of the County of Chautauqua as follows:

Section 1.

The County of Chautauqua through its County Legislature and in its proprietary capacity, declares that it is necessary, for the security, safety, protection and well-being of its employees, and its property and individuals present thereupon, to place restrictions on the bearing and possession of firearms and other dangerous weapons and instruments by individuals while entering into and being present in buildings owned, leased and operated by the County of Chautauqua.

Section 2.

This local law prohibits any individual from bearing or having in his or her possession, either openly or concealed, any firearm, gun, explosive device or substance, lethal or debilitating chemical or gas, or any dangerous or deadly weapon or instrument of any description, including, but not limited to, a handgun, pistol, target pistol, revolver, rifle, shotgun, dangerous knife, dagger, dirk, razor, stiletto, or imitation pistol, while entering into or while being present in any building owned, leased or operated by the County of Chautauqua.

Section 3.

This local law shall not apply to any authorized peace officer or police officer, as defined in the New York State Criminal Procedure Law, or any other authorized official of the County, State or Federal Government. The Chautauqua County Sheriff is the authorized official who will determine who is exempt from this Local Law.

Section 4.

Failure to comply with this local law shall be punishable by imprisonment for a term not to exceed three (3) months and/or a fine not to exceed Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00).

Section 5.

This local law shall become effective upon filing with the Secretary of State.

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