

STATES WITH LIMITED RECIPROCITY

The North Carolina Private Protective Services Board currently has limited reciprocal agreements with seven (7) states for Private Investigations. Those states are:

California
Florida
Georgia
Louisiana
South Carolina
Tennessee
Virginia

These reciprocal agreements allow for licensed private investigation agencies and private investigators from each of these specific states to enter North Carolina to conduct investigations of certain cases without having to be licensed by the North Carolina PPS Board. In addition, these agreements allow North Carolina licensed private investigators to enter each of these states to investigate certain cases without having to obtain a license in that state. There are specific conditions and limitations to these agreements as indicated below:

1. Agencies and Investigators must be licensed (or registered, if applicable) and in good standing in their home state.
2. The case being investigated must have originated in the home state.
3. Out-of-state investigators may not solicit private investigative business or open an office while in North Carolina.
4. North Carolina investigators may not solicit private investigative business or open an office while in one of these other states.
5. Investigations are limited to thirty (30) days per agency per case in all states, with the exception of Tennessee, which limits investigations to fifteen (15) days.
6. Investigations exceeding the above time limits must be handled by a private investigator licensed in the state where the investigation is being conducted.
7. Investigators conducting any investigations that do not fall into the above described category must obtain a license from the particular state prior to conducting such investigations.