

**From:** [Joe Gullage](#)  
**To:** [Jason Sheppard](#)  
**Subject:** FW: Request to be armed  
**Date:** Monday, November 02, 2015 4:45:01 PM

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Forgot to forward you this. I have given permission subject to review this week.

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**From:** Joe Smyth  
**Sent:** Tuesday, October 27, 2015 4:26 PM  
**To:** Joe Gullage  
**Subject:** Request to be armed

Inspector Gullage,

As per our conversation; in light of recent activity on social media that identifies me as the officer involved in the Mitchells Brook fatal shooting, I am requesting permission to be armed while off duty at my personal residence. This request is for the personal safety of my family and I while this matter remains active.

Of heightened concern are that some of the social media posts include pictures of me and my family. Much of the questions and allegations also currently found on social media around this matter are predicated on the lack of information that has been released about the details of the investigation.

Thanks  
Joe

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