PA REAL ID Update

The Pennsylvania Department of Transportation (PennDOT) recently updated its list of Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs) regarding the REAL ID Act. The REAL ID Act is a federal law that establishes specific minimum federal standards for state-issued driver's licenses and ID cards to be accepted for certain federal purposes, like entering a federal building or boarding a domestic commercial flight. As you may be aware, until May 2017, Pennsylvania law prohibited PennDOT from complying with the federal REAL ID Act. That law was repealed earlier this year and PennDOT anticipates that REAL ID-compliant documents will be available at the customer's option by Spring 2019.

In addition, Pennsylvania has been granted an extension to the *REAL ID Act* through October 10, 2018 which means that current PennDOT-issued driver's licenses and identification cards can be used to enter federal facilities and board domestic commercial flights through October 10, 2018. You may also use a valid U.S. passport or U.S. Passport Card, military ID, or another federally approved identification to pass a TSA checkpoint at airports nationwide and visit a secure federal building or military installations.