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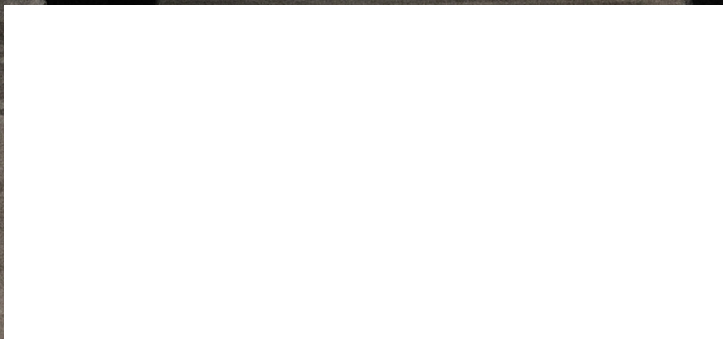
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# PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

**BY CHUCK MICHEL**  
CRPA PRESIDENT  
& GENERAL COUNSEL

**GRASSROOTS CRPA LOCAL CHAPTERS ON THE MARCH**

As CRPA celebrates its 145th anniversary in 2020, its programs continue to expand across the state.

Local CRPA chapters are forming everywhere, and I encourage everyone to get involved. CRPA chapter members get special access to information on legislation and pro-2A litigation and advice on how to take action in your community. Topics include: updates on legislation and NRA/CRPA lawsuits; the *NY State Rifle & Pistol Assoc. Inc. v. City of NY* case in the Supreme Court; information on CRPA's court challenge to the July 1 ammo purchase background check requirement; updates on CRPA's lawsuits against the Prop 63 law banning possession of 10+ round magazines (currently blocked by the court in the CRPA lawsuit); local advocacy efforts to protect gun shows and other 2A rights in our communities; open leadership positions in the chapter; and lots more.

CRPA chapters are a community of people working to protect their right to choose to own a gun for sport or to defend their families and to get the truth out about guns and their social utility.

The focus of the CRPA Chapter Program is to promote the Second Amendment and the culture and rights that it is meant to protect by creating groups of dedicated members, business owners,



ranges, trainers and clubs with like-minded values and that will get involved in promoting firearm safety and protecting their 2A rights at the local level and in their own communities. One of the most important things that chapter members do is work at the local level to track government action, protect their rights and show that gun owners in the community are a positive influence on all of those around them.

CRPA chapters are groups of CRPA members who coordinate

CRPA members' efforts to promote the mission statement and goals of the CRPA at the local level while receiving support from the Local Affairs and Outreach Department at CRPA Headquarters. CRPA chapters should seek to be diverse in operations, provide feedback from local members and work on issues that are important to the local community of gun owners. CRPA chapters can operate in political, educational, recreational and conservation activities.

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# MEMBERS' VOICES

## Back in the Day

Your response to Piper Smith in the November/December issue [Issue 1044] brought back great memories. I bought my first rifle at a hardware store in Delevan, WI, in 1962. I was 13. My uncle, who I was visiting, took me there and later taught me how to handle the weapon and shoot safely. He was my hunting and fishing teacher.

Two years later I was attending an all boys' college prep high school in Chicago and joined their rifle team. We competed with other high schools and brought our rifles to school in a case on the bus. No one gave us a look as we usually had books in one arm and the rifle case over the other shoulder.

I never heard of a shooting by anyone from any of our school teams. And as far as I know, none of my teammates ever grew up to be anything other than good Americans with a respect for the law and the 2nd Amendment. I would also add that at least half of us later served in the Armed Forces.

After nearly 60 years of safe gun ownership, I no longer hunt. I still, however, enjoy going to the range on occasion.

Thanks for fighting the fight for us.

—**Rolf Sabye, Rio Vista, CA**

Dear Rolf:

The gun ban lobby constantly harps about the easy "availability" of firearms being the problem. But in reality, a gun has never been so hard to get legally. Criminals will always find a way, even if they have to make it themselves. When I was a kid, gangs made zip guns with a 2x4, a car antenna, a big rubber band and some nails. Today there are hundreds of thousands of machine shops in this country, any of which can make a firearm easily. Not to mention 3D printing. You can't uninvent technology.

## Sign the Petition

I noted the editor's response Bob Caughey's letter to the editor, "Recall Effort." The editor stated, "Collecting all the required signatures is almost impossible." This is wrong and is defeatist! California Governor Joe "Gray" Davis, Jr., was recalled by the citizens of California in 2003. He was replaced by Governor Arnold Schwarzenegger. There is a concerted "Recall Gavin Newsome" petition effort currently ongoing at many shopping centers and gun stores across California. Every member of the CRPA and their family/friends should endeavor to find and sign one of those petitions. This is not a 2nd Amendment issue only. It is about an incompetent governor who is pursuing his own agenda regardless of the voters' desires. A recall of Newsome can be done as noted. In addition to recalling Newsome, Democrats in the Legislature need to be either recalled or voted out of office since they are passing the bills that Newsome has directed them to pursue. The Legislature is unbalanced and needs to be re-balanced by replacing as many Democrats with Republican candidates as possible. Until that is done, the insanity we are seeing will continue with the loss of our constitutional freedoms and more taxes and bond measures that "we" have to pay back to the bond holders!

—**Charles Walters, LtCol U.S. Marine Corps (Ret.)**

Dear Charles:

Don't get us wrong; it's a worthwhile effort but a heavy lift. Regardless, CRPA has the petitions at our tables at the shows we attend and encourages folks to sign.

## To Those Who Leave

I grew up in Southern California and worked for Roadway Express in Vernon, CA. Weatherby was a customer of ours

out of Southgate. Due to decline in the Los Angeles area in the mid-80s, homelessness, crime, taxes, etc., Weatherby moved out to Ontario, CA. At the time, many businesses in the downtown area of Los Angeles were doing the same. Best of luck to Weatherby!

—**Mark Gasster, Napa, CA**

Dear Mark:

A lot of gun owners, and businesses, if they are able, have left California over guns, taxes, etc. It's sad to lose great pro-2A companies like Weatherby and Buck Knives, but we totally understand getting out from under the stifling regulatory environment and politics of California. Thankfully their products are still available here, and Californians are still buying their products and lots of guns in general.

## Keeping Record

Just got and read the January/February issue [Issue 1045] of *CFL*, and it is excellent. All kinds of good debate material, especially Dan Gifford's downright scary article. I am keeping the issue as a reference, articles, stats and all. Keep up the good work.

—**Charles Knapp, Traverse City, MI (formerly of Anaheim)**

Dear Charles:

Collect all the issues; they will only get better! We may need to start selling collector's binders, like the American Rifleman used to offer! Let's hope!

## SHARE YOUR VOICE

We want CRPA members' voices to be heard! If you have something you would like to bring to the attention of our *California Firing Line* Executive Editor, please email [CFL@chipotlepublishing.com](mailto:CFL@chipotlepublishing.com) and be sure to specify that it is for Members' Voices (Letters to the Editor). We look forward to hearing from you!

## (PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE, CONT.)

CRPA chapters are not affiliated with any one political party, politician or political issue or tied to any political organization. The CRPA Chapter Program focuses on supporting the mission statement and goals of CRPA by creating a network of activated members across the state. The CRPA Chapter Program needs passion, teamwork, education and communication. For more information on a chapter in your area, contact Kevin Small at [ksmall@crpa.org](mailto:ksmall@crpa.org).

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emailing or calling CRPA.

Legal Game Changer Holds Hope for Our Freedoms

Hopefully, the Supreme Court will rule on a 2A case by the time you read this, and the legal standard used to evaluate the constitutionality of gun control laws will have been changed in our favor. The SCOTUS heard oral argument on the *NYSRPA v. NYC* case on December 2, and we expect a decision by June 2020, though one could come sooner. There are other cases lined up at SCOTUS that CRPA is assisting with, so please contribute to our legal fund! A good ruling from the now reconstituted Supreme Court could be a real game changer for the 2A in California.

## ENGAGE!

If you believe in the 2A cause, there are two things you can do to be a 2A "activist." You can give money, and/ or you can give time. CRPA needs more of both to scale up its efforts on your behalf.

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— **Chuck**

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# CRPA'S LEGAL TEAM GOES TO WASHINGTON

## A WATERSHED MOMENT FOR THE SECOND AMENDMENT?

BY MATT CUBEIRO  
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**C**RPAs legal team traveled to Washington D.C. on December 2, 2019, to attend the oral arguments before the United States Supreme Court in the case of *New York State Rifle & Pistol Association v. City of New York*. The case has the potential to reshape Second Amendment jurisprudence by setting a new legal standard for all firearm-related legal challenges—

including those many cases supported by CRPA and NRA challenging California's unconstitutional and ineffective anti-gun laws.

The case challenges the City's restrictive "premises license" requirement, a ban on transporting personally owned firearms to places other than an individual's residence and one of a very few licensed shooting facilities in the City.

For years, the City rigorously defended its laws in the lower courts, but when the Supreme Court agreed to rehear the case, the City abruptly repealed the transportation ban in a blatant attempt to moot the case and

avoid setting a legal precedent that would apply in future Second Amendment lawsuits. CRPA filed a significant *amicus* brief in the case and was joined on the brief by a number of law enforcement groups.

Public access to the courtroom is very limited, and folks often start lining up the night before if they want to get a seat in the public section. The public line started at noon the day before and grew significantly overnight.

Lawyers admitted to the Supreme Court bar have their own line to get in, but seating is still limited to about 60 lawyers. So CRPA's team was not



► Chuck Michel and renowned Second Amendment lawyer and scholar Steve Halbrook in front of the Supreme Court, immediately after the argument. (CHUCK MICHEL)

guaranteed seats in the courtroom. Access is first come first served, which prompted our legal team to get in line at 5:00 a.m. in the rain and cold. And they weren't the first in line! There were about a half dozen other lawyers there already, including one who was first in line at 3:40 a.m.

At 5 a.m., there were several people setting up for planned demonstrations in front of the courthouse. Both pro- and anti-2A groups were present, but turnout was quite low—less than 100 total protestors and 2A advocates.

At 7:30 a.m., the lawyers in line were escorted inside and through security. Then they continued to wait in another line for check-in with the court clerk who then directed the lawyers to wait in another line. Finally, at around 9:00 a.m. all the lawyers were escorted up to the second floor where we had to store all electronic and personal items before passing through a second security checkpoint and then to our seats in the actual courtroom.

The Court chamber itself is 82x91 feet with a 44-foot ceiling. Marble columns line the sides of the chamber, and the ceiling is decorated with four distinct friezes depicting prominent historical figures and symbols of justice. The raised bench that the Justices sit at is raised above the rest of the chamber. The junior Justices (Gorsuch and Kavanaugh) sit at the far sides of the bench, with the more senior Justices (Thomas, Roberts and Ginsburg) in the middle.

### THE ARGUMENTS

The arguments started promptly at 10:00 a.m., with Paul Clement appearing for the New York State Rifle & Pistol Association. He started pointing out that the test, history and tradition of the Second Amendment make clear that the City's restriction is unconstitutional. But it wasn't long before the Court's

more liberal wing began asking Mr. Clement about the “mootness” issue.

From that point on, the mootness issue was the primary focus of the arguments.

It takes at least five Justices to issue a majority opinion that is binding on the lower courts; that is, to win. Both Justice Gorsuch and Justice Alito’s questions strongly suggested they would not vote to moot the case. Although Justice Thomas and Justice Kavanaugh did not ask any questions during the argument, their prior record on Second Amendment litigation suggests they too will also not vote to moot the case.

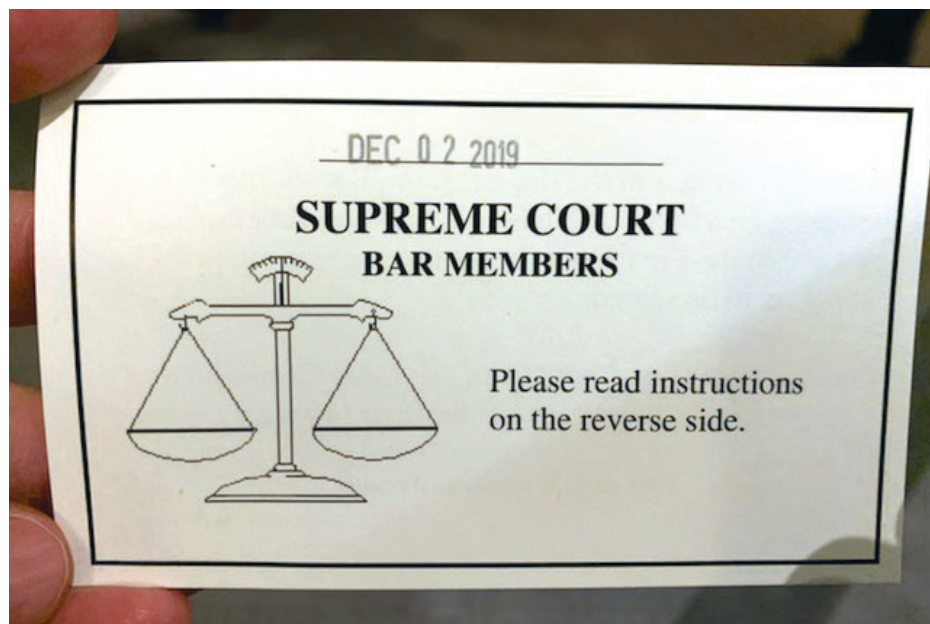
That leaves Chief Justice Roberts as a swing vote. While he did vote with the majority in the landmark cases of *District of Columbia v. Heller* in 2008 and *McDonald v. City of Chicago* in 2010, his prior voting record has shown he is not afraid to break with the Court’s conservative wing from time to time. Although Chief Justice Roberts asked a few questions during the argument regarding the mootness issue, his questions did not give a strong indication one way or another. That said, the Court previously denied the City’s suggestion of mootness back in October which Chief Justice Roberts presumably played a part in doing so.

Setting aside the issue of mootness, there were two interesting exchanges between the Justices and the City’s attorney; one with Justice Alito and another with Justice Ginsburg, regarding the merits of the case.

In the first exchange, Justice Alito asked, “Unless a total ban on taking [a firearm] to a firing range would be consistent with the Second Amendment, it follows that the Second Amendment, under at least some circumstances, protects the possession of a handgun outside the home. Isn’t that correct?” To which the City’s at-



► The public line started forming the night before the argument. (CHUCK MICHEL)



► The coveted “golden” ticket for admission to the courtroom. (CHUCK MICHEL)

torney responded: “I think that’s a fair way to look at it,” thereby conceding that the Second Amendment does in fact apply outside one’s home despite the arguments to the contrary in the lower courts.

In the second and perhaps most notable exchange, Justice Ginsburg questioned the purpose of the City’s regulation in the context of someone who owns a second home:

*JUSTICE GINSBURG: One—one problem with the prior regulation, if you wanted to have a gun in your second home, you had to buy a second gun. And what public safety or any other reasonable end is served by saying you have to have two guns instead of one, and one of those guns has to be maintained in a place that is often unoccupied and, therefore, more vulnerable to theft? MR. DEARING: I think that the—the*

*question on second homes, there, Petitioners have identified a difficult application of our former rule that wasn’t really contemplated when the rule was—was adopted.*

While the same question from Justice Alito or Justice Gorsuch might not be entirely unexpected, the fact that Justice Ginsburg can recognize the complete lack of justification and reasoning in the City’s law is telling.

Although it remains to be seen how the Justices will ultimately cast their votes, one thing remains clear—this is potentially a watershed moment for the Second Amendment. Even if you were not able to attend in person, as a member of CRPA, you were represented. And should the Court issue a decision that makes clear the Second Amendment cannot be treated as a second-class right, it will be because of

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To learn more about our visit to the Supreme Court, be sure to check out Chuck Michel’s Facebook live posts both pre- and post-argument. And be sure to subscribe to CRPA email alerts to be notified of a decision from the Court and other important Second Amendment-related news here in California. **CRPA**

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# THE THIN BLUE FIRING LINE

The following is a letter to California Governor Newsom from a police officer posted December 3, 2019, on the 2A Cops, Cops Supporting Gun Rights web page.

## Governor Gavin Newsom,

Sir, I recently was made aware of your written statement that you penned in response to the two different petitions which seek to create a recall election and have you removed from office. While you issued that statement in August 2019, I was previously unaware of it until I was reading an article discussing the significant national and international press coverage the recall effort has been receiving.

As a very recently retired career California cop, I was quite taken aback by your blatantly fictitious claim when you said: "Do not be fooled—California's police officers, firefighters, first responders, public school teachers, health providers and business leaders all STRONGLY OPPOSE this costly recall."

As someone who served as a deputy

sheriff in Sacramento for 22 years, I personally know a great number of peace officers from every agency in the greater Sacramento area, to include the Sacramento Sheriff's Office, Sacramento Police Department, Elk Grove Police Department, Folsom Police Department, Citrus Heights Police Department, Lincoln Police Department, Rocklin Police Department, Placerville Police Department, Stockton Police Department, Rio Vista Police Department, Livermore Police Department, Placer County Sheriff, El Dorado County Sheriff, California Highway Patrol and the California Alcoholic Beverage Control. The list of agencies in which I have mutual acquaintances dwarfs the list above.

One of the great things about social media is it allows one to expand his pool of resources, which, not surprisingly, cops do quite a bit. There are lots of social media groups where we cops gather to share thoughts and ideas about society, laws, public safety and, believe it or not, politicians.

You see, the overwhelming majority of cops are sick and tired of being used as political pawns by liberal politicians like yourself, while at the same time you are villainizing us to your voting base by suggesting we and the entire system are racist; while you use our murdered co-workers as some sort of justification to push unconstitutional laws that infringe on the rights of law-abiding citizens; while you pardon and release convicted felons; while you disregard the will of the voters and single-handedly put a moratorium on the death penalty including for cop killers; while you lie to and shun the families of murdered California cops; and then to top all of that off, while you quite incorrectly claim we as a group support you.

You, sir, are astoundingly delusional. The fact of the matter is that I and nearly every cop I know have signed the petitions to have you recalled. In fact, many of us have not only signed them, but we are volunteering our time and gathering signatures of others who also want to see you removed from office.

In the future, please refrain from blatantly lying to the residents of California. Law enforcement officers as a whole do not remotely support you or your policies.

Sincerely,  
**Matt Silvey**  
Recently retired deputy sheriff

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# WHY DO WE HAVE A NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT TAX?

IT WAS THE DOING OF THE MOST PRINCIPLED OF U.S. ATTORNEY GENERALS

BY DAN GIFFORD

**K**ansas Republican Congressman Roger Marshall has drafted a bill to free short-barreled rifles—those with barrels less than 16 inches—from National Firearms Act (NFA) restrictions that require purchase of a federal license and registration. That has been the case since 1934 when the NFA was

put on the books in response to media and political hyperventilations about gangster violence of the time. In the absence of Trump in the White House backed by libertarian Republicans in total control of Congress, it's doubtful Marshall's bill has even a snowball's chance in hell of passage, but it's at least a worthy college try to rid the law books of an unneeded statute.

## GANGSTER GUNS

Long before "assault weapons" and "weapons of war" were the concocted labels used by our unfringeable

First-Amendment-protected media to frighten the public into infringing on Second Amendment rights, "Gangster guns" was the scary phrase in play.

These guns were defined by those era pundits that H.L. Mencken called

the social reform "uplifters," as the machine guns, short-barreled shot-guns, rifles and the handguns used by criminals like Bonnie and Clyde, John Dillinger, Pretty Boy Floyd and others. They were also the guns millions



► Poster for the 1947 movie "Boomerang!" (PUBLIC DOMAIN/GOOGLE IMAGES)

of Americans owned and used for non-criminal purposes. But like today, the media-created perception was that they were only used by criminals.

That false reality was hugely publicized in conjunction with their outlaw

1930s-era gun play and that of the Roaring 20s Chicago gangs. The 1929 Saint Valentine's Day Massacre of the North Side Gang by Al Capone's gunmen received national front page coverage and freaked the nation. But

the earlier 1926 attempt by North Side gangsters to kill Capone had also caused a panic. That attempt featured some 10 cars full of mobsters who did a drive-by machine-gunning of the Hawthorne Inn restaurant in Cicero (a Chicago suburb), where Capone was having lunch.

Impotent to do anything about the gangs themselves who paid off both police and politicians for protection, citizens would sit armed in front of polling places to protect voters from mob violence and intimidation. Even so, do-gooder activists of the day—Mencken’s uplifters—demanded that the “gangster guns” used by the mobs be banned.

Banned? That was not a popular idea then outside of the elite lifter class. The social reformers at *The Nation* magazine had discovered that during the 1920s when they advocated a ban on the civilian possession of revolvers.

A probable reason for the amount of both public and pundit opposition was that Americans then still understood why there was a Second Amendment guarantee of a right to arms. Most every schoolboy back then knew the Second Amendment was intended to assure an armed population that could oppose foreign invasion, usurpation of power by rulers and provide self-protection against the downside of the most dangerous rights of all—those being the due process rights that often make it impossible to arrest and convict vicious criminals.

So until the National Firearms Act was put on the books in 1934, anyone could buy a “gangster gun” or any other sort of firearm at practically any hardware store or by mail with no questions asked. The 1934 *Chicago Tribune* editorial board was among those who understood what too many no longer do, including today’s *Chicago Tribune*. According to the *Tribune* in



► **Wanted police poster** for the infamous John Dillinger. (NEW YORK TIMES/RARENEWSPAPERS.COM)

1934:

“In the Revolutionary War the people were able to gain their liberties because when they tried for them possession of firearms was common, and many of the citizens knew how to use them. A disarmed population of people familiar with weapons would not have had much chance. In 1789

the weapons in general use would be long rifles, muskets and clumsy pistols. The people were entitled to have the best weapons they could make or purchase. Now the best weapons for individuals are machine guns and automatic rifles. Use which can be made of these is indicated by law, but it is not the possession of which is proper-

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ly an offense under the Constitution.”

“It is notorious that when restrictions are put upon the possession of firearms or any particular kind of weapon they never are effective against the criminal classes but only



► **Homer Cummings**, U.S. Attorney General from 1933 to 1939. (THEMARSHALLPROJECT.ORG)

put the peaceable man at a disadvantage or in a false position before the law. The prohibition does not bother the enemy of society, but it makes a technical offender of the decent citizen. The man who would not misuse a weapon is the man who is injured. The drive for public security is thus given the wrong direction.”

That’s where the man I consider to

be one of the most principled lawmen stepped into the fray.

#### **HOMER CUMMINGS**

That man was Homer Cummings, U.S. Attorney General. He told the Congressional uplifters they had no constitutional authority to ban a firearm because doing so would violate the Second Amendment. That made many on Capitol Hill unhappy with him and his Solomon-like compromise of an NFA tax (\$200, the cost of a Thompson machine gun in 1934, ergo a 100% tax) instead of a ban. But Cummings had the cajones to stand his ground.

He’d been in that position before in 1924 as District Attorney of Bridgeport, Connecticut, when he faced down both community and police lynch-level anger against the murder suspect of a beloved local priest in that overwhelmingly Catholic town.

Father Hubert Dahme died from a single shot to the head while taking his usual downtown evening stroll. The gunman was a total stranger who immediately ran off. Several weeks later, police arrested a vagrant named Harold Israel who fit the killer’s description. Israel was found to be carrying a loaded revolver of the same



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▶ Homer Cummings, U.S. Attorney General from 1933 to 1939.(THEMARSHALLPROJECT.ORG)

caliber that killed Dahme.

But that wasn't all. The revolver had a fired cartridge case in one chamber.

Witnesses on the sidewalk to the murder quickly identified Israel as the killer. Bridgeport's police forensics expert said the bullet taken from Dahme matched those test fired in the drifter's gun. Shortly after, Israel confessed to the murder after being worked over by police interrogators. Nothing unusual for that time. Confessions were commonly coerced or beaten out of suspects then, and the practice continued well into the 1960s. Incited by the newspapers about such convincing evidence, Bridgeport mob anger was sufficient to dispense with a trial and string Israel up as would actually be done later to two kidnapping suspects in 1933 San Jose, California.

But as the trial date approached, Cummings' conversations with the accused man caused him to sense something wasn't right. So he rechecked the evidence. What Cummings found should give anyone pause who's in a

rush to judgment.

Cummings had both the bullet and the revolver reexamined by six different forensics experts. He interviewed all of the witnesses to the shooting. He stood where they stood and had them explain what they said they saw. The result was that the witnesses could not have seen what they claimed, and the forensics examiners found that the bullet that killed Father Dahme came from a different revolver than the one Israel was carrying. None of that meant charges were dropped. Cummings still had to go through with the trial to assuage the angry public. However, at that trial, Cummings did not prosecute Israel, he prosecuted his own evidence—the state's own case—against Israel and disproved it. That drama was made into the 1947 film, "Boomerang!"

It's difficult to understand today just how radical Cummings' action was. Little had been written at the time about false confessions, mistaken eyewitnesses, police perjury, withheld

exculpatory evidence or the large number of bogus forensics like those revealed at the FBI by its own crime lab supervisor, Dr. Frederic Whitehurst. The system was assumed to be infallible. So much so, that the year before Israel's arrest, Learned Hand, an esteemed federal judge in New York, dismissed the very idea that an innocent person could be convicted, calling it "an unreal dream."

That may be what Congressman Marshall's legislation amounts to as well. Even if Donald Trump is reelected and Republicans solidly control both houses, the deep states of academia, politics, police and media will oppose Marshall's measure and stand a highly probable chance of kiboshing it. **CRPA**

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# ARMED CHURCHGOERS SEEN ON VIDEO FOLLOWING SHOOTING

BY BRANDON CURTIS

In an incident that could have been much worse in Texas, surveillance video shows at least five churchgoers drawing their firearms and pointing them at a suspect who had just opened fire during a Sunday morning service in December 2019.

The mass shooting in the works was thwarted inside West Freeway Church of Christ, which is located west of Fort Worth. Police say that around 10 a.m. local time, a man opened fire inside the church with a shotgun during Communion.

A security guard for the church, who is also reported to be ex-FBI, fired a single shot to take down the suspect after that suspect had fired twice.

The suspect killed one and injured another. The security guard's single shot at the suspect was fatal.

Video of the incident quickly popped up on social media and shows what happened in the moments before and after the shooting. From that video, which is just over 30 seconds long, we begin to notice a congregation that is prepared for such an event.

While watching over and over again, we were able to pick out a



**GUNMAN STOPPED BY AT LEAST 5 ARMED CITIZENS DURING SUNDAY CHURCH SERVICE IN TEXAS**

(CONCEALEDNATION.ORG)

total of five churchgoers who drew their firearms immediately following the shooting, all trained on the downed suspect.

It's very likely that many more were armed inside the church.

One of the people, who appears to have been shot by the suspect, also seems to have been reaching for his firearm in the moments before the first gunshot is heard.

It is too early to determine which one of the men, standing in the middle and to the left, was shot. Howev-

er, the man on the left does indeed look to be reaching for a firearm.

Given the choice of venue by the suspect, we have to wonder if he knew that armed security was on-site and whether he was aware that many in the congregation would be carrying firearms.

Police have not determined a motive, and this investigation is still in its very early stages. **CRPA**

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## IS THIS GUN LEGAL?

# THE NEW IWI TAVOR TS12

BY MATTHEW D. CUBEIRO

**A**s stated on Israel Weapon Industries' (IWI) website, the Tavor TS12 "is a gas-regulated bullpup shotgun with an innovative design that feeds from one of three (3) individual" tubes. Each of these tubes can hold up to five 2¾-inch shotgun shells, for a total of up to 15 rounds, plus one in the chamber. But in order to utilize all tubes, the user must manually switch from one tube to the next. The shotgun is also equipped with an 18.5-inch barrel and measures out at 28.34 inches in overall length.

So, is this gun legal in California? The short answer is yes, but there are some areas of the law worth discussing.

First, one potential concern is California's "assault weapon" restrictions. Under California law, any semiautomatic shotgun expressly listed by make and model, or any of the following shotguns, is considered an "assault weapon:"

- A semiautomatic shotgun that has both: (1) A folding or telescoping stock; and (2) a pistol grip that protrudes conspicuously beneath the action of the weapon, thumbhole stock or vertical handgrip;

- A semiautomatic shotgun that has the ability to accept a detachable magazine; or

- Any shotgun with a revolving cylinder. P.C. § 30515(a)(6-8).

The Tavor TS12 is not expressly listed as an assault weapon and is not any of the



shotguns described above. While it does have a pistol grip, it is not also equipped with a folding or telescoping stock, so it cannot satisfy the first description. It does not have a revolving cylinder and therefore cannot satisfy the third description.

Where it can get a bit confusing is in the second description as it relates to the phrase "ability to accept a detachable magazine." While the law is clear on its face, existing DOJ regulations state that this phrase, as it relates to semiautomatic shotguns, means the shotgun "does not have a fixed magazine." This means the shotgun's tubes cannot be removed without disassembly of the action, or else the shotgun would in fact be considered an "assault weapon." Regardless, the tubes do not appear to be readily removable at all, let alone removable without disassembling the action of the shotgun. As a result, the TS12 cannot be classified as an "assault weapon" under current California law.

The other topic to consider is California's "large-capacity" magazine restrictions which generally prohibit the sale or transfer of any firearm or magazine capable of holding more than 10 rounds. The DOJ proposed

**There is nothing to suggest the analysis would be any different for the Tavor TS12.**

"emergency" regulations regarding shotguns equipped with multiple tubes in December 2016<sup>1</sup>, but these were ultimately withdrawn and never adopted (meaning they do not carry the force of law). That said, the DOJ's proposal still sheds some light on the issue.

According to this proposal, "[I]f a firearm with multiple tubular magazines, each having a 10-round or less capacity, must be manually switched from one tube to the other tube to use each group of ammunition, this type of firearm would not be deemed a large-capacity magazine." The DOJ's proposal goes on to list the Kel-Tec KSG, UTAS UTS-15, Standard Manufacturing DP-12 and SRM Arm SRM 1216 shotguns as examples of such shotguns that were expressly contemplated, all of which have been lawfully sold and transferred

in the state of California for years and continue to be sold and transferred to this day.

There is nothing to suggest the analysis would be any different for the Tavor TS12. As a result, the TS12 cannot be said to be equipped with a "large-capacity" magazine because each tube must be manually switched from one tube to the other in order to use each group of ammunition.

In sum, because neither California's "assault weapon" nor "large-capacity" magazine restrictions prohibit the sale, transfer or possession of the TS12, and because the TS12 satisfies the minimum overall length and barrel length requirements, it is legal to sell and possess in the state of California. **CRPA**

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1. A copy of the language of the DOJ's proposed regulations can be found online at [oag.ca.gov/sites/all/files/agweb/pdfs/firearms/regslcmptextofregs.pdf](http://oag.ca.gov/sites/all/files/agweb/pdfs/firearms/regslcmptextofregs.pdf)

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**SHERIFF ORDERED  
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WEAPONS AFTER  
ESTRANGED  
WIFE FILES FOR  
DIVORCE**

**H**e's a sheriff  
... without  
a gun. Not  
because of due  
process ... but  
rather in spite of  
it.

Monica Hatcher filed for divorce on September 18, 2019, from her husband, Benton County Sheriff Jerry Hatcher. Monica Hatcher has stated that the "marriage is irretrievably broken." She claims that the divorce comes after an extramarital affair the sheriff was having and a fight

that ultimately led to accusations of him strangling her. Monica filed for a temporary order of protection from her husband on October 4, 2019. Court documents indicate she made claims that she is the victim of domestic violence and that she became aware in 2017 of an extramarital affair between her husband and a woman, Lisa Rector Thomas who was in charge of Hatcher's social media for his campaign during that time frame.

The court documents go on to further explain an incident that took place in December 2017, where Monica stated she confronted her husband with phone call and text message logs between the woman and her husband. It is written in the

court document for the petition of the protective order that: "This resulted in Jerry physically assaulting me by putting both hands around my throat, backing me up multiple feet and forcing me backwards over our bedroom dresser, while continuing to choke me."

The paperwork goes on to further show that Monica told her husband not to touch her ever again and "that he could have broken her neck." Monica reported that her husband replied to her: "If I wanted to hurt you, you'd be dead right now!" As reported by the *Bellingham Herald*, "The petition includes nine pictures that Monica Hatcher states are her injuries from that alleged assault."

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**The temporary protective order was granted, and Sheriff Hatcher was ordered to adhere to the condition of turning over all weapons, as well as moving out of the home that he currently shares with his wife.**

Monica also went on to write, that: "His emotional abuse has been an ongoing issue and has caused me years of intimidation. Jerry has always made me feel that he was above the law. Until recently, I have been convinced that he was untouchable by law, and the only person that could arrest him is the coroner." She also went on to state that her husband has forced her to make false statements, noting an incident on October 3, where she claims he made her send false information to a prosecutor. In her petition, she wrote her husband "stood over me while I cried." She also went on to state: "I feel Jerry's behavior is continuing to escalate, and I am unsure of what his actions will be to stop this investigation."

At the time Monica filed her divorce paperwork in September 2019, she did not originally request a protective order. In the protective order request Monica has asked that her husband be required to surrender all guns, dangerous weapons and concealed pistol licenses. The temporary protective order was granted, and Sheriff Hatcher was ordered to adhere to the condition of turning over all weapons, as well as moving out of the home that he currently shares with his wife. He is also ordered to stay at least 1,000 feet away from his wife when she is at home or at work, court documents show. Superior Court Judge Cameron Mitchell was the judge who signed the temporary restraining order on Friday, October 4.

When asked about the allegations against the Benton County Sheriff, the Benton County Prosecutor Andy Miller explained to news outlets on October 7 that: "The Washington State Patrol is investigating the allegation[s] and said the potential criminal case has been turned over to a special out-of-area prosecutor."

Sheriff Hatcher was back to work on Monday, October 7, where he did respond to reporter requests. Hatcher addressed questions, stating that he "lives by the rule of law and followed the judge's order by turning over all [his] guns to Kennewick police earlier Monday morning." When asked about the allegations made by his estranged wife regarding the strangulation and domestic violence, Hatcher commented that there "is a downside to a divorce, and that may mean allegations that are not true. Divorces



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sometimes are very ugly, and it's extremely painful for people to go through, and I understand as an elected official that mine is going to be public."

The sheriff has made it clear that he has no intention of stepping down or allowing this to become a

hindrance on the job he does for his community. Hatcher stated he will not let his estranged wife's "inflammatory and damaging allegations" affect his work. Hatcher also explained to reporters that: "I'm not going to go somewhere because I've been falsely accused of something. I've lived my whole life for this community." He also made it clear that something going on in his personal life had no bearing on his ability to do his job. Hatcher explained that this "has no bearing on what goes on inside the sheriff's office. We deliver a great public safety service, and we're going to continue to do so."

Hatcher also stressed to reporters that not all the information has been made public and that he will have more to share once he gathers all the details himself. He stated to reporters: "I emphatically deny [the allegations] and look forward to the rest of the information coming back out. I need to work through the process. Once I compile all the information, I will be ready to release a statement, and I will make sure that the electorate understands it."

As reported by the *Bellingham Herald*: "Monica Hatcher's request for a permanent order and Jerry Hatcher's ability to carry guns are likely to be addressed at a court hearing October 15." It is noted also in the same news report that there is no indication that the sheriff must step down amid the allegations that he is facing, nor is there any indica-

tion that he must step down if he is unable to carry a firearm on duty.

The *Bellingham Herald* goes on to explain that “commissioned peace officers can be ‘discharged for disqualifying misconduct’ under a state law.” Also police officers or sheriff’s deputies can face termination for the following: “A conviction or conduct that would constitute a crime: in their duties or while acting as an officer; involving dishonesty or false statement; drug possession; or a crime that disqualifies a Washington citizen from the legal right to have a gun under state or federal law.” However, the sheriff is an elected position, and it appears that he can only be removed from the position by being voted out, a recall effort or if he resigns from the position.

Hatcher has been the sheriff since 2017 when he took over the position from the former Sheriff Steve Keane who resigned from his position with a single year left of his term. Hatcher ran unopposed in 2018 for the next 4-year term.

The investigation into the allegations against the sheriff is ongoing. The woman in question, Lisa Rector Thomas, who has been accused of the extramarital affair with the sheriff, is currently running for Richland City Council for the November election. She did not return requests from reporters for comments on the allegations.

Speaking of decisions being made on nothing more than accusations ... In a widely unprecedented move, the District Attorney’s office in the Bronx is releasing secret records concerning information on police officers who they apparently don’t trust. And now members of the NYPD are finding themselves thrown in the public spotlight without a chance to defend themselves.

**With these documents now going public, this officer will now be seen as a non-credible witness across the city ... all based on an opinion.**

The rare move came about after New York radio station WNYC requested that the records be made public in light of the Freedom of Information Act. According to a report from the *Gothamist*, the “evidence” against the officers comes in the form of articles from the media, as well as findings from judges who found the officers’ testimony to be untruthful. The Bronx D.A. turned over 11 pages of documents to WNYC. The documents have a ton of redactions due to privacy restrictions of the Freedom of Information Act, but nevertheless, employees within the radio station were able to pin down the identity of some of the officers in question.

One of the officers named in the database, whom we won’t identify here because we believe in due process, had his credibility called into question over the matter of a search that turned up a gun. A search of a vehicle’s car rendered the seizure of an unlicensed revolver. But the defense said that the officer’s body cam video didn’t exactly match his statements, saying the car couldn’t have smelled like marijuana because none was found and that the search was illegal.

“I believe that the officers lied under oath on the stand when they said that they smelled marijuana and that that is what occasioned the search of the car,” a judge said. So they threw out the gun charge. Now, that officer is being considered “untrustworthy” in a court of law. He argues that the judge was hell-bent on killing the gun charge and found any way she could to do so.

With these documents now going public, this officer will now be seen as a non-credible witness across the city ... all based on an opinion. The list of so-called “bad

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apples” released by the Bronx D.A.’s office includes 39 other officers. Twenty-one of those names were redacted due to the court sealing case files. The privacy of the officers is now also under fire, with legal representatives calling for the entire list to be made public without redactions. “Without names, our system of checks and balances fails, and yet again police evade accountability,” said Cynthia Conti-Cook, a staff attorney with Legal Aid. Legal Aid is New York’s largest domain of public defenders.

Earlier this year, Manhattan D.A. Andrew Stengel said that all of the information should be released, regardless of the impact it would have on current investigations and trials. “Stengel called for the Bronx D.A. to release all files it has on officers with questionable credibility, even if such a release could throw scores of ongoing prosecutions and past

convictions into question,” stated the *Gothamist*.

Conti-Cook is pushing for more of these kinds of records to be pushed into the public limelight: “The release of these records is another important step towards transparency,” she said. “But it is not the last step. We must continue to demand more public access to internal police misconduct information to allow the public to hold police and the administrations that protect them accountable.” And of course, a legal director within the ACLU sided with the public smearing of the involved officers, who are not exactly being given due process, but instead are being subjected to the media’s portrayal and people’s opinions. “This revelation suggests there may be large numbers of police officers that [sic] prosecutors know are not reliable,” said Christopher Dunn. “This is exactly the type of information the public must know about. If they don’t, it just calls our entire system into doubt.”

Can we really trust these findings? After all, if you want to know what the media thinks about police, just go to Google, and type the word in. You’ll find yourself overrun with articles about bad cops, killer officers and a system of oppression. In our view, the officers who are being thrown under the bus deserve a chance to defend themselves before having their reputations torn apart in the public eye.

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**GUN TRUTHS**

**SCHOOLS, GUNS AND THE SECRET SERVICE**

**T**he U.S. Secret Service released a report that exposed no real secrets but did amplify what we know or thought we knew about school shooters.

Okay, that is not quite accurate. Their report titled, "Analysis of Targeted School Violence," reviews all the documented cases of when someone specifically directed violence at people in K-12 schools from 2008 through 2017, almost 2 decades of data. This compilation, of course, included school shooters of every variety. What the report reveals is kinda what we thought about school shooters in general, but it is good to have some solid numbers to substantiate our understanding.

Instead of boring you with all 58 pages provided by the Secret Service, we'll run down and comment on some of the important highlights.

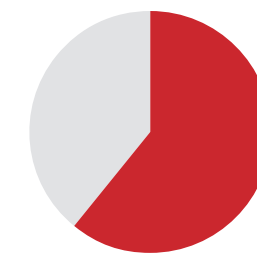
**A LITTLE FRAGILE**

Before diving into the numbers, the entirety of the report covers 41 incidents. This is a smallish number, and thus some of the resulting percentages derived from them are weak. I'll point out when things get a little questionable.

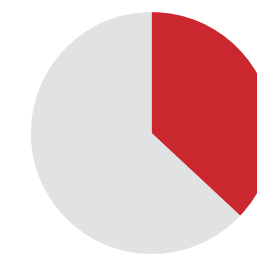
**GRIEVANCES, BULLYING AND MENTAL HEALTH**

Most of the kids who targeted schools did so because they had grievances with

**PRIMARY MOTIVATION**



**GRIEVANCES: 61%**



**PEERS: 37%**

**SECONDARY MOTIVATION**



**GRIEVANCES: 9%**



**PEERS: 27%**

people on campus, typically other kids. This is unsurprising given that some of the more notorious school shooters—from Columbine to Parkland—have openly said this was their motivation.

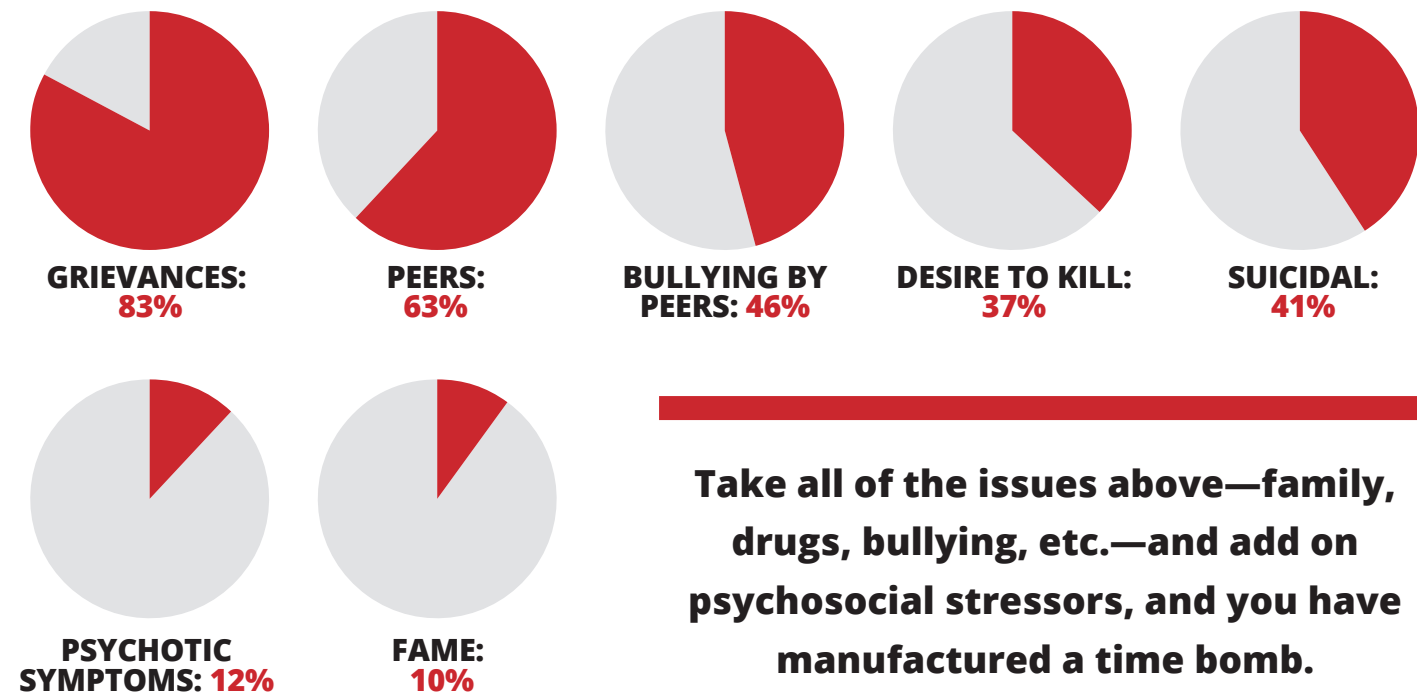
What is also obvious, but for which we now have some real numbers, is that the intersection of bullying and accumulated grievances are key drivers. For targeted school attacks, the combination of grievances against their peers tops all. The Secret Service did something odd, though, with the tally for bullying. For "peer" conflicts, they reported the raw numbers as shown here, but off to

the side in the grand total column, they claim bullying accounted for 46% of all motivations. Why they did not break this out into the primary and secondary motivations is weird. I have a FOIA request submitted to the Secret Service to get the raw data tables, which perhaps will illuminate this issue. But for now, revenge for bullying (perhaps amplified by other conditions) is the chief danger sign.

As the Primary/Secondary Motivation table shows, attackers typically had more than one motivation. In terms of all motivations combined, the reasons



**MOTIVATION: PERCENTAGE OF ALL INSTANCES**



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for attacking a K-12 school is in the Motivation/Percent of All Instances table. One surprising element is that the desire for fame did not rank highly. That various mass public shooters have noted fame and getting the highest body count as a goal, among people blasting their local school, it is not that common.

**GUNS, HOMES AND SAFE CRACKERS**

Guns were involved in 61% of the attacks (knives in 39%). We know you are most interested in the gun aspect, sooooo ...

Of the gun attacks, 76% of the attackers got their guns from home or from a close relative. Since most junior high and high schoolers are minors and are usually broke, then buying their own guns was not an option. Stealing them was.

The part that will give various gun control groups some ammo (pun intended) is that, of the gun attacks, half the involved guns were not secured in a meaningful way (e.g., behind the glass in

a rifle case) or were completely unsecured (in their mom and dad's nightstand). But in at least 16% of the cases, the attacker had to break some form of secure storage. The attackers picked the locks, guessed the combination or knew where the keys were stowed. There are two lessons here: first, if your kid is even a little flakey, lock up the gun. Second, if you lock up the gun, chose a different combination for your gun safe than your wedding anniversary date.

**NUTS AND RIFLE BOLTS**

Yes, quite a few of the attackers had mental problems. One could argue that attempting mass murder over grievances is obviously crackers, but school attackers are a sleeve full of saltines.

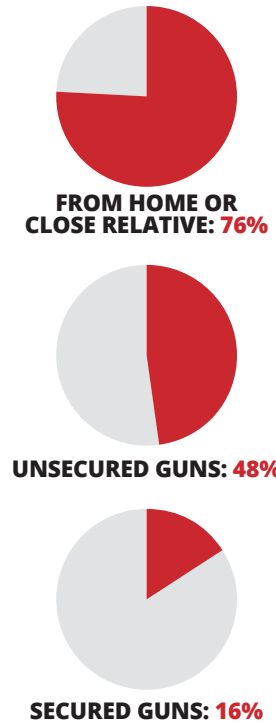
Attackers were diagnosed at twice the national average for mental health issues. This number may be a bit off, as many people suffer from mental health problems in silence, unobserved by even close family. But per this study, young troublemakers appear to get

hauled into clinics more often than their peers at large.

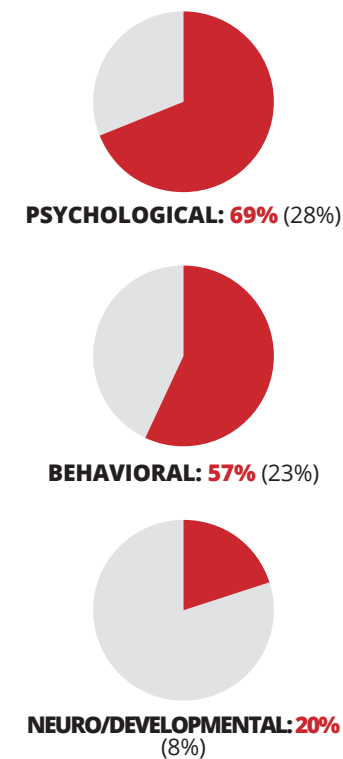
Of just those attackers who had a mental health diagnosis, 63% had depression, 60% suicidal ideation, 29% anxiety, 26% anger management issues, and an astoundingly high 20% demonstrated outright psychosis. Overall 54% had received some form of treatment. The study did not assess how many of these attackers were on or withdrawing from psychotropic medications, but **our analysis into adverse reactions to psychotropics and mass public shootings** shows it needs investigating.

The bigger point is that nearly 70% of the attackers had problems, 40% of those had been diagnosed, and none was treated in such a way as to prevent the attack. There is also the possibility of *induced* mental problems or drugs amplifying preexisting problems. Some 20% of the attackers had reached the "abuse" level of drug or alcohol intake. An equal number were users of controlled substances (excluding marijuana)

**GUN ACCESS: PERCENTAGE OF GUN ATTACKS**

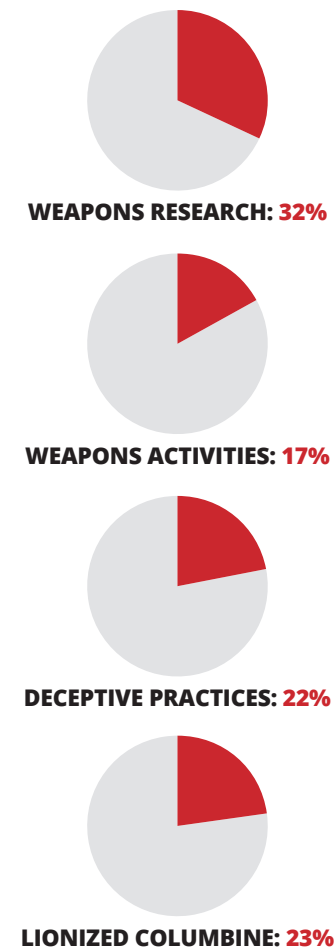


**MENTAL HEALTH CATEGORY: PERCENT OF MENTAL HEALTH ATTACKERS (ALL ATTACKERS)**



54% OF ALL ATTACKERS HAD RECEIVED TREATMENT

**TYPE OF PREPARATION: PERCENT OF ALL ATTACKERS**



**LENGTH OF PLANNING: PERCENT OF MASS ATTACKERS**



such as opiates and amphetamines. Odds are we would see significant overlaps in these groups, but the Secret Service kept those details secret.

**PLANS, PLOTS AND PRACTICES**

The scary bit is that 51% of these attackers planned their events. We would have speculated that a large majority were relatively spontaneous or had minimal planning. This conjecture, sadly, is not true.

Some attackers did all kinds of planning. Most chose weapons, and they went out of their way to keep their planning secret.

Columbine is still feeding school attackers. This has been noted by a

number of psychology researchers, and the folks over at Langman Psychological Associates have a handy chart that shows the path of research mass shooters take when planning their own massacres. Nearly all roads lead back to Columbine.

**TOUGH TIDBITS**

There is a lot more in the report, though it gets a little repetitive and tedious. But some items worth lobbing at you include:

- 71% came from broken homes
- 69% encountered family financial difficulties
- 54% had a parent or sibling in jail/prison

■ 23% lived with family members who had mental health problems

■ 23% suffered abuse or neglect

BUT! The biggie is that 100% of attackers experienced social stressors. As noted in one psychology study we covered, **psychosocial stressors were the #2 mental impairments among mass murderers and serial killers.** Take all of the issues above—family, drugs, bullying, etc.—and add on psychosocial stressors, and you have manufactured a time bomb. **CRPA**

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# SECOND AMENDMENT SANCTUARIES STARTED IN

# 1774

BY STEPHEN P. HALBROOK

**T**he capture of Virginia's Legislature by Democrats, who also command the executive branch, has unleashed a spate of bills to criminalize millions of law-abiding gun owners and send them to the penitentiary. The

most radical proposal, Senate Bill 16, would make it a felony to possess an ordinary semiautomatic rifle with harmless features like an adjustable shoulder stock, a flare launcher and a muzzle device to reduce kick.

Reflecting trends in states as diverse as Colorado, Illinois, New Mexico and

Washington, where politicians have declared a war against gun owners, about half of Virginia's counties have declared themselves Second Amendment sanctuaries. County governments and elected sheriffs pledge not to enforce unconstitutional diktats that violate the right to keep and bear arms.

Sanctuary places are the darling of "progressive" jurisdictions determined to hide and harbor criminal aliens from federal immigration authorities. Progressives now accuse officials of being "vigilantes" for seeking to protect American citizens from imprisonment for exercising their constitutional rights.

Spearheading the war on Virginia gun owners is Governor Ralph Northam, best known for his gig in blackface or Klan attire and for calmly endorsing post-delivery abortion, that is, infanticide. To divert attention from the backlash, he is moving to criminalize all sorts of innocent conduct that has been lawful in the Commonwealth since Jamestown was settled in 1607.

It's as if "the Redcoats are coming" again. Northam's counterpart in 1774 was Lord Dunmore, the last royal governor, who took measures to disarm "disloyal" Virginians led by Patrick Henry. The patriots were arming and organizing themselves into independent companies to protect their rights.

None other than George Washington formed the Fairfax Independent Militia Company. "[T]hreatened with the Destruction of our Civil-rights, & Liberty," wrote George Mason, the volunteers pledged that "we will, each of us, constantly keep by us" a musket, six pounds of gunpowder and 20 pounds of lead.

That was a lot of ammo. There's a parallel here to the "large capacity" magazines that Northam wants to ban. And there's an irony that Fairfax County is now the center of the blue wave that supports Dunmoresque gun bans.

The rest is history. In 1775 the Redcoats marched to seize colonists' arms at Lexington and Concord, and the Americans repulsed them. The inhabitants of Boston were ordered to turn in their guns, which were seized by British General Gage. The Continental Congress cited this perfidy in the Declaration of

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the Causes and Necessity of Taking Up Arms.

Nothing like that will happen today. Counties that have declared themselves Second Amendment sanctuaries make clear their dedication to use all lawful means to protect their constitutional rights. Law enforcement authorities have scarce resources and must choose how to allocate them. Work to solve murders and robberies, or track down gun owners because they have rifles with those oh-so-deadly pistol grips or adjustable stocks? That's a no-brainer.

But those who support filling the prisons with law-abiding citizens just because they have, for instance, a rifle that will also shoot flares—which is nothing more than a distress signal—should remember our history. The Second Amendment was adopted to prevent exactly those kinds of infringements.

A Second Amendment sanctuary shouldn't be any more controversial than a First Amendment sanctuary. Imagine if the governor signed a law banning books he didn't like, then sent police to search houses to confiscate them and arrest their owners, who

would be charged with a felony. He could then have a book burning alongside of his massive gun melting. Sanctuary that, anyone?

The Bill of Rights was intended to inform the ordinary citizens of their rights. Its meaning is not a monopoly of the governmental entities whose powers it was intended to limit. Supporters of Second Amendment sanctuaries are only following this historical understanding.

Virginia's own Judge St. George Tucker said it best in his 1803 treatise, the first ever published on the Constitution, as follows: "A bill of rights may be considered, not only as intended to give law, and assign limits to a government about to be established, but as giving information to the people. By reducing speculative truths to fundamental laws, every man of the meanest capacity and understanding may learn his own rights, and know when they are violated ..."

That's exactly what Second Amendment sanctuaries are all about. **CRPA**

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	Jim Canova	D	DNR		Lucie Volotzky	R	C
	Natasha Gupta	D	F		Dina Cervantes	D	DNR
	Anne Kepner	D	F		Annie Cho	D	DNR
	Alex Lee	D	DNR		Susan Christopher	D	DNR
	Carmen Montano	D	DNR		Kelvin Driscoll	D	DNR
	Anthony Phan	D	DNR		Brandii Grace	D	DNR
	Roman Reed	D	DNR	AD 39	Ricardo Benitez	R	D
	Anna Song	D	DNR		Luz Maria Rivas (i)	D	F
AD 26	Devon Mathis (i)	R	A	AD 40	Jennifer Tullius	R	A
	Drew Phelps	D	DNR		James Ramos (i)	D	F
AD 27	G. Burt Lancaster	R	B	AD 41	Robin Gvidston	R	A
	Ash Kalra (i)	D	F		Chris Holden (i)	D	F
AD 28	Carlos Cruz	R	A	AD 42	Andrew Kotyuk	R	DNR
	Evan Low (i)	D	F		DeniAntionette Mazinto	D	F
	Sam Ross	NPP	DNR		Chad Mayes (i)	NPP	A
	Shomire Banerjee	R	DNR		Mike Graves	R	B
AD 29	Mark Stone (i)	D	F	AD 43	Laura Friedman (i)	D	F
AD 30	Gregory Swett	R	DNR		Robert Sexton	NPP	F
	Robert Rivas (i)	D	F	AD 44	Denise Pedrow	R	A
AD 31	Fernando Banuelos	R	DNR		Jacqui Irwin (i)	D	F
	Joaquin Arambula (i)	D	B	AD 45	Jesse Gabriel	D	F
AD 32	Todd Cotta	R	A	AD 46	Lanira Murphy	D	DNR
	Rudy Salas (i)	D	B-		Adrin Nazarian (i)	D	F
AD 33	Rick Herrick	R	B-	AD 47	Matthew Gordon	R	C-
	Thurston Smith	R	D		Eloise Reyes (i)	D	F
	Alex Walton	R	DNR	AD 48	Blanca Rubio (i)	D	F
	Socorro Cisneros	D	DNR	AD 49	Burton Brink	R	A
	Blanca Gomez	D	DNR		Ed Chau (i)	D	F
	Roger La Plante	D	DNR		Bryan Perez	D	DNR
	Anthony Rhoades	D	D		Priscilla Silva	D	DNR
AD 34	Vince Fong (i)	R	A+	AD 50	Richard Bloom (i)	D	F
	Julie Solis	D	DNR		Will Hess	D	B
AD 35	Jordan Cunningham (i)	R	A		Jim King	D	DNR
	Dawn Addis	D	DNR	AD 51	Wendy Carrillo (i)	D	F
AD 36	Tom Lackey (i)	R	A	AD 52	Toni Holle	R	A
	Johnathon Ervin	D	DNR		Freddie Rodriguez (i)	D	F
	Lourdes Everett	D	DNR	AD 53	Godfrey Plata	D	DNR
	Steve Fox	D	A-		Miguel Santiago (i)	D	F
	Diedra Greenaway	D	DNR	AD 54	Glen Ratcliff	R	DNR
	Ollie McCaulley	D	A		Clinton Brown	D	F
	Eric Ohlsen	D	DNR		Tracy Jones	D	DNR
	Michael Rives	D	F		Sydney Kamlager (i)	D	F

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	Andrew Rodriguez	D	DNR	AD 59	Marcello Villeda	R	A		Sharon Quirk-Silva (i)	D	F
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	Eduardo Garcia (i)	D	F		Efren Martinez	D	DNR		Al Muratsuchi (i)	D	F
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	Primo Castro	D	DNR		Jose Medina (i)	D	F		Jeremy Smith	R	A
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	Dora Sandoval	D	DNR	AD 63	Maria Estrada	D	DNR		Benjamin Yu	R	A
	Vanessa Tyson	D	DNR		Anthony Rendon (i)	D	F		Eugene Fields	D	DNR
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								AD 71	Randy Voepel (i)	R	A
									Liz Lavertu	D	DNR
								AD 72	Tyler Diep (i)	R	B
									Janet Nguyen	R	A
									Bijan Mohseni	D	F
									Diedre Nguyen	D	DNR
								AD 73	Bill Brough (i)	R	A
									Laurie Davies	R	B
									Ed Sachs	R	A
									Chris Duncan	D	DNR
									Scott Rhinehart	D	F
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									Kelly Ernby	R	DNR
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									Karen Schwartz	D	DNR
								AD 76	Melanie Burkholder	R	A-
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								AD 77	June Cutter	R	DNR
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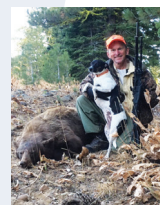
# LEGISLATIVE REPORT

# REPORT

**A**s I write this message, we are facing a big unknown for the 2020 legislative session. All we presently have are rumors and speculation.

I hesitate to share rumors; understand only one bill, Assembly Bill 18 (AB 18), firearms and ammunition tax, is confirmed so far, we will talk more about AB 18 below. Regardless of the unknowns, I certainly do want to give you some idea of what we can expect. For starters, we are once again hearing word of efforts to ban all centerfire semiautomatic rifles and of additional legislation aimed at restricting your ability to obtain a CCW. Based on what our governor did in 2019, we can only expect the worse.

Last session Governor Newsom signed all eight of the bills we were in opposition to; most of these bills had been vetoed two or more times previously by Governor Brown. Governor Newsom showed very little refrain in his decision-making process or at least his willingness to veto any anti-Second Amendment bill put before him. Let me give you one example. Last year Governor Newsom signed a bill that banned all bobcat hunting in California. Regardless if you hunt bobcat or ever wanted to hunt bobcat is not the issue; this decision was based on emotions not



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science. The governor gave the author amendments which the author refused to accept—normally a death sentence to any bill “contempt of the governor” to not accept significant amendments, but his governor signed it anyway!

Additionally, Governor Newsom signed bills greatly restricting what you can do with a firearm in your own home

and a bill that extends the ability to report you as unfit to process firearms to your co-workers regardless of there being a functioning system already in place where such reports can only be made by immediate family or law enforcement. I have no intention of painting a picture of hopelessness; what I want to do is let you know how very critical it is that we all remain involved and focused! We did defeat some of the worst bills last year aimed at your rights to purchase, possess and transport firearms (for comprehensive summary of 2019 legislation, refer to [crpa.org](http://crpa.org)).

In July 2019, We faced the final implementation for Proposition 63 / Senate Bill 1235.

I think they finally woke the sleeping giant! After July 1, 2019, I cannot tell you how many calls I received from individuals, law-abiding citizens, who were denied the purchase of ammunition! I was asked over and over: “Where

did this come from?” All I could ask in return was: “Where have you been for the last 3 years?” The key point is, this is where apathy gets us! Now more than ever you must get involved and stay involved! DO NOT be that person who finds out 3 years after the passing of a proposition that you now have to go through a background check in California just to purchase ammunition!

Let’s talk about what we do know! Assembly Bill 18 by Assemblyman Levine, if passed as presented, will impose on retailers an additional excise tax of \$25 per new handgun, semiautomatic rifle or shotgun sold and, after amended late last session, a yet-to-be-determined excise tax on the gross receipts from any sale of ammunition. AB 18 would require the revenues collected to be deposited into the California Violence Intervention and Prevention (CalVIP) Grant Program to award competitive grants for the purpose of violence intervention and prevention.

All of California’s law-abiding public benefit from efforts to implement programs which address gun violence prevention and intervention, and all should equally help to fund their implementation. Yet, under AB 18, only law-abiding citizens who legally purchase their firearms and ammunition from retailers would be called upon to fund the CalVIP Grant Program. As such, AB 18 would wrongly place the entire

obligation of funding these violence prevention and intervention efforts on the backs of law-abiding hunters and recreational shooters who have no more to do with firearm violence than any other law-abiding Californian.

In addition to the unjust collection of CalVIP Grant Program funding from only a small segment of our public, the uncertainty of the cost of AB 18—estimated at “hundreds of thousands of dollars” to administer and collect the tax, with an additional “hundreds of thousands of dollars” for the state to administer CalVIP grants—presents an unacceptable financial risk to the state.

But the cost to the state of developing and implementing the CalVIP Program is not the only price California would pay. AB 18 would also have a substantial impact upon our state’s wildlife and the enjoyment they provide all our public. Law-abiding hunters and shooters who legally purchase sporting arms and munitions already pay

## Where have you been for the last 3 years?

an 11% federal excise tax on the purchase of these goods via the federal Pittman-Robertson Act. This tax contributes tens of millions of dollars annually to the California Department of Fish and Wildlife—revenue which funds a large portion of our state’s wildlife management, conservation and hunter education efforts. Placing additional taxes on top of the existing excise taxes charged on sporting arms and munitions will only further drive up the cost of these goods, reduce their sales and, in turn, reduce the critical annual revenues available for California’s wildlife conservation and management efforts. As stated above, all Californians should pay for the benefits of a

“safer” California, not just those who chose to legally purchase firearms and ammunition!

I am afraid that unlawful taxes on our law-abiding citizens are just the tip of the iceberg! Know we are fighting this battle on all fronts. We have three significant lawsuits on track to turn all this bad legislation around. Ammunition, magazines, semiautomatic firearm cases are all making their way through the courts. Always refer to our website for the latest and most accurate information. You must get involved! The only way we can really make a permanent change is with your votes and who we send to represent us, both here in California and nationally. We need your support to continue this battle! Join CRPA today, if you are already a member find two friends to join with you! Together we can and will turn this tide and regain our constitutional rights unlawfully taken away from us! **CRPA**

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# LITIGATION REPORT

## WHY 2020 IS AN IMPORTANT YEAR FOR GUN RIGHTS

BY ALEX FRANK

**2**020 is shaping up to be an important year for gun rights, both nationally and here in California. The U.S. Supreme Court is expected to issue its ruling in the most significant gun rights case in years, *New York State Rifle & Pistol Association Inc. v. City of New York*, before spring. Sophisticated court observers are split on whether the Supreme Court will issue a “merits” ruling or will find the case “moot.” No one really knows for sure. As important as that case may be, another extremely important California-specific case will shortly be heard by the 9th Circuit Court of Appeals—*Duncan v. Becerra*.

It’s only been about 9 months since the Honorable Roger T. Benitez declared California’s Penal Code Section 32310 unconstitutional and ushered in what has now widely become known as “Freedom Week.” Thanks to Judge Benitez’s stellar legal analysis in the 86-page injunction he issued,

**There’s little doubt that since the landmark *Heller* decision, federal courts have strayed far from the legal framework that they are supposed to apply to gun rights questions.**

California’s purchased over one million standard-capacity magazines from March 29 to April 5, 2019. Unsurprisingly, the state has appealed to the 9th Circuit, with oral argument recently scheduled for April 1, 2020.

Court observers and those who pay close attention to the legal

state of the Second Amendment are well aware that the 9th Circuit has historically been unfriendly—if not downright hostile—to plaintiffs seeking to vindicate their Second Amendment rights in California’s federal courts. The 9th Circuit will essentially have to review the Court’s injunction ruling and examine the question of whether standard-capacity magazines are within the scope of the Second Amendment’s protection.

There’s little doubt that since the landmark *Heller* decision, federal courts have strayed far from the legal framework that they are supposed to apply to gun rights questions. That’s what makes Judge Benitez’s injunction ruling so brilliant. Judge Benitez understood that even under the test that he was obligated to implement due to 9th Circuit legal precedent, the law failed because the state could not meet its burden. He applied authentic “intermediate scrutiny” and explained in detail why California’s ban on standard-capacity magazines infringes the Second Amendment.

Due to appointments made under

the Trump Administration, the 9th Circuit has more conservative-leaning jurists than in any time in recent memory. This makes the chances of getting a Second-Amendment-friendly, three-judge appeal panel much greater than it was only a few short years ago. If the Supreme Court issues a merits ruling before the 9th Circuit hears *Duncan*, there is a

possibility that the test that the 9th Circuit will have to apply will be more Second-Amendment-friendly.

While Californians greatly anticipate the future of the *Duncan* case, it is hardly the only significant CRPA gun rights case seeking to get the Constitution the respect it deserves. Last year, plaintiffs in the case *Rhode v. Becerra* filed a motion for preliminary

injunction to prevent enforcement of California’s recently enacted ammunition background check and sales laws. This case is in front of the same judge who gave us Freedom Week—Judge Roger Benitez. We can’t say with certainty when Judge Benitez will rule on the motion, but we anticipate a ruling before spring.

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### CALIFORNIA AND 9TH CIRCUIT LITIGATION MATTERS

This report provides an overview of just some of the efforts being taken to protect the rights of California gun owners. Although litigation plays an extremely important role in the fight for the right to keep and bear arms, there are many other tremendous and equally important endeavors throughout California and across the nation.

Protecting the Second Amendment requires an enormous amount of resources and involvement in all levels of California’s government, including all 58 counties, all 482 municipalities and all state and local agencies tasked with enforcing the myriad of complex and ever-expanding gun laws.

The digital version of this report, complete with links to relevant documents and additional information, can be found on NRA-ILA’s California web page at [standandfightcalifornia.com](http://standandfightcalifornia.com) and CRPA’s web page at [crpa.org](http://crpa.org).

ISSUE	CASE NAME	CASE STATUS	WHAT'S NEXT
<b>CHALLENGE TO CALIFORNIA'S AMMUNITION SALES RESTRICTIONS</b>	<i>Rhode v. Becerra</i>	The case was filed on April 26, 2018, in response to Proposition 63 and Senate Bill 1235's restrictions regarding the sale and transfer of ammunition in California. The lawsuit challenges these restrictions as a violation of the Second Amendment, Commerce Clause and Equal Protection Clause of the U.S. Constitution, as well as a violation of the Firearm Owner's Protection Act.	The State filed a motion to dismiss, which the district court denied. The case is now in the discovery phase of litigation.  In August, plaintiffs asked the court (Hon. Judge Benitez) to preliminarily enjoin the new ammo laws. Judge Benitez has not yet ruled.
<b>CHALLENGE TO CALIFORNIA'S "ASSAULT WEAPON" RESTRICTIONS</b>	<i>Rupp v. Becerra</i>	The case was filed on April 24, 2017, in response to SB 880 and AB 1135. It challenges California's entire "assault weapon" ban as violating the Second Amendment and due process and takings clauses of the U.S. Constitution. Plaintiffs filed a preliminary injunction motion to prevent the State from requiring individuals to provide the date they acquired their firearms and the name and address of the person from whom they acquired them, as a condition of registration, but that motion was denied on May 9, 2018.	Plaintiffs and the State filed cross-motions for summary judgment in late March 2019. The federal court heard oral argument on May 31, 2019. Plaintiffs also filed multiple motions to disqualify several of the State's expert witnesses.  However, on July 22, 2019, the court granted the State's motion for summary judgment, ending the case in the State's favor.  Plaintiffs appealed to the 9th Cir. on August 27, 2019. Plaintiffs' appeal brief is currently due in January 2020.
<b>CHALLENGE TO DOJ'S RECENTLY ENACTED "ASSAULT WEAPON" REGISTRATION REGULATIONS</b>	<i>Villanueva v. Becerra</i>	The case was filed on September 8, 2017, in response to California DOJ adopting regulations concerning newly classified "assault weapons" under SB 880 and AB 1135. It challenges the regulations under California's Administrative Procedure Act because they were enacted without legislative authority and without any input from members of the public.	On May 30, 2018, the court issued an order upholding the regulations as valid. Plaintiffs appealed and filed their opening brief in California's 5th District Court of Appeal in late March 2019. Parties have submitted their appeal briefs and are awaiting scheduling of oral argument.

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<b>CHALLENGE TO CALIFORNIA'S BAN ON STANDARD CAPACITY MAGAZINES</b>	<i>Duncan v. Becerra</i>	The case was filed in response to SB 1446 and Prop 63. It challenges California's ban on the acquisition and possession of magazines over 10 rounds. On June 29, the district court granted plaintiffs' motion for a preliminary injunction, halting enforcement of the newly enacted possession ban while the case is litigated. The State immediately appealed the injunction order. In July 2018, the 9th Cir. upheld the issuance of the injunction.	The federal district court, where Judge Benitez presides, granted plaintiffs' summary judgment motion, which permanently enjoined Penal Code Sec. 32310 on March 29, 2019. This legalized the acquisition of standard-capacity magazines. However, the court entered a stay of the injunction, effective 5:00 p.m. on April 5, 2019. The State appealed its loss to the 9th Cir. All parties have submitted their briefs. Oral argument will likely be heard in Pasadena in April or May 2020.
<b>CHALLENGE TO CA AND LOS ANGELES FIREARM CARRY RESTRICTIONS THAT PROHIBIT BOTH OPEN AND CONCEALED CARRY</b>	<i>Flanagan v. Becerra</i>  (Formerly <i>Flanagan v. Harris</i> )	The case was filed on August 17, 2016, as a direct response to <i>Peruta</i> . It seeks to force the court to decide whether it is willing to uphold a complete prohibition on the right of law-abiding citizens to carry a firearm for self-defense. The parties filed cross-motions for summary judgment. In May 2018, the court issued a decision granting Defendant's motion for summary judgment.	The 9th Cir. rejected the State's petition to have the case heard initially by an 11-judge <i>en banc</i> panel along with the <i>Young v. Hawaii</i> lawsuit. However, instead of allowing the case to proceed, the 9th Cir. stayed the case on July 30, 2019, pending the outcome of <i>Young v. Hawaii</i> .
<b>CHALLENGES DOJ'S USE OF DROS SURPLUS TO FUND APPS AS AN ILLEGAL TAX</b>	<i>Gentry v. Becerra</i>  (Formerly <i>Gentry v. Harris</i> )	Plaintiffs filed an amended complaint alleging that the DROS fee is an invalid tax. On August 9, 2017, the district court issued a ruling granting Plaintiffs' request to prohibit DOJ from using DROS fees to fund unrelated law enforcement efforts and requiring DOJ to perform its statutorily required review of the current \$19 fee to determine whether it is "no more than necessary to fund" DOJ's costs for processing DROS transactions.	Trial was held in January 2019. The court recently entered an order that will be incorporated into a forthcoming final judgment upholding the DROS fee as a legitimate regulatory fee. Plaintiffs argue that the court's finding contradicts established law regarding regulatory fees. Plaintiffs started the appeal process by filing a notice of appeal on June 4, 2019.
<b>VAGUENESS CHALLENGE TO (AB 962'S "HANDGUN AMMUNITION" SALES REGISTRATION REQUIREMENT AND MAIL ORDER BAN</b>	<i>Parker v. California</i>	In December 2016, because of Prop 63, the California Supreme Court dismissed its review of a Court of Appeal opinion affirming the trial court's order striking down AB 962. The Court of Appeal's decision is now the final opinion, and plaintiffs are seeking their attorneys' fees against the State.	After the trial court partially granted the plaintiffs' motion for attorneys' fees for work in the trial court, parties negotiated an agreement regarding a total fee award. In September 2019, plaintiffs received \$433,860.20 from the State.
<b>CHALLENGE TO LOS ANGELES' REFUSAL TO DISCLOSE PUBLIC RECORDS REGARDING FIREARMS IN LAW ENFORCEMENT CUSTODY</b>	<i>CRPA v. City of Los Angeles</i>	CRPA filed a lawsuit challenging Los Angeles City's refusal to disclose records related to secretly obtained disposition orders used by LAPD to justify the destruction of firearms in its possession. Rather than litigate, the City agreed to settle the lawsuit and turn over the records to CRPA.	The City agreed to pay \$35,000 to cover CRPA's attorneys' fees as a result of the lawsuit. The case is now closed.

**NRA and CRPA also provide consulting advice and prepare amicus curiae or "friend of the court" briefs in firearm- and Second Amendment-related cases.**

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<b>CALIFORNIA HANDGUN ROSTER</b>	<i>Pena v. Lindley (Horan)</i>	The federal district court upheld the Roster in 2015. Plaintiffs appealed, and oral arguments were held on March 16, 2017. NRA and CRPA filed an amicus brief in the case on July 27, 2015. On August 3, 2018, the 9th Cir. upheld the Roster.	Plaintiffs docketed their petition for writ of certiorari to the U.S. Supreme Court on January 3, 2019. It is now up to the Supreme Court to determine whether it will take or decline the case.
<b>1ST AMENDMENT CHALLENGE TO HANDGUN AD PROHIBITION</b>	<i>Tracy Rifle and Pistol v. Becerra</i>  (Formerly <i>Tracy Rifle and Pistol v. Harris</i> )	In July 2015, the district court denied a request to prohibit enforcement while the case proceeds. That decision was appealed, and in February 2016 the 9th Cir. upheld the lower court's order within 2 weeks of oral arguments. However, following the appeal of the preliminary injunction, the district court issued a permanent injunction.	As a result of the permanent injunction, California is now prohibited from enforcing its arbitrary and ineffective handgun ad ban.
<b>STATE COURT CHALLENGE TO CALIFORNIA'S MICRO-STAMPING REQUIREMENTS</b>	<i>NSSF v. California</i>	In December 2016, the California Court of Appeal issued a ruling in favor of NSSF, allowing the lawsuit to proceed in the lower court. But in June 2018, the California Supreme Court reversed, upholding the trial court's judgment in favor of the State. NSSF petitioned the Supreme Court to reconsider its opinion, but that petition was denied in August 2018.	As a result of the California Supreme Court opinion, the case is now closed. Another case challenging the microstamping requirement/ roster, <i>Pena v. Lindley (Horan)</i> , may be heard by the Supreme Court.
<b>CHALLENGE TO SAN JOSE'S REFUSAL TO RETURN SEIZED FIREARMS</b>	<i>Rodriguez v. City of San Jose</i>	Following the City of San Jose's refusal to return firearms seized by law enforcement, a lawsuit was filed alleging violations of the Second, Fourth, Fifth and Fourteenth Amendments. In September 2017, a federal district court upheld the City's refusal as constitutional. Plaintiff has appealed, with CRPA filing an important amicus brief on March 6, 2018.	On January 14, 2019, the 9th Cir. heard oral argument. On July 23, 2019, the 9th Cir. affirmed the district court's summary judgment ruling in favor of the City of San Jose. On September 24, 2019, the court denied plaintiffs' application to have the case re-heard <i>en banc</i> . On December 16, 2019, the U.S. Supreme Court extended the deadline to file a petition for writ of certiorari to February 21, 2020.

**NRA and CRPA also litigate and assist in critical Second Amendment cases across the country that could set precedent for future challenges to California gun laws.**

<b>CHALLENGE TO FEDERAL FIREARM RESTRICTION DUE TO NON-VIOLENT, DECADES-OLD FELONY CONVICTION</b>	<i>Sessions v. Hatfield</i>	Having suffered a lifetime firearm restriction due to a non-violent felony, plaintiff filed suit challenging the restriction as unconstitutional. On April 26, 2018, a federal district court struck down the restriction as unconstitutional as applied to the plaintiff. The government has appealed, with CRPA filing an important amicus brief on October 12, 2018.	The 7th Cir. Court of Appeals issued an opinion on June 6, 2019, reversing the district court's favorable ruling. On August 7, 2019, the 7th Cir. denied plaintiff's petition to re-hear the case <i>en banc</i> .
<b>WHETHER THE CITY OF NEW YORK'S BAN ON TRANSPORTING A LAWFULLY OWNED HANDGUN TO A HOME OR SHOOTING RANGE OUTSIDE CITY LIMITS IS CONSISTENT WITH THE SECOND AMENDMENT, COMMERCE CLAUSE AND RIGHT TO TRAVEL</b>	<i>New York State Rifle &amp; Pistol Association, Inc. v. City of New York</i>	The case is fully briefed at the U.S. Supreme Court, with oral argument scheduled for December 2, 2019. This is the first Second Amendment case to be heard in nearly a decade, with the potential to have significant impact on the scope of the right to bear arms.	The case comes to the High Court on somewhat unusual footing, because the Supreme Court may not actually have jurisdiction to make a ruling on it anymore due to New York's underhanded efforts to make the case "moot." Expect that issue to be a core aspect of the Court's eventual disposition of the case.



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<b>CHALLENGES WASHINGTON D.C.'S "GOOD REASON" REQUIREMENT FOR THE ISSUANCE OF A CCW PERMIT</b>	<i>Grace v. District of Columbia</i>	On July 25, 2017, the D.C. Circuit declared Washington D.C.'s "good reason" requirement for the issuance of a CCW was a violation of the Second Amendment. The court also issued a permanent injunction prohibiting D.C. from enforcing the requirement.  On September 28, 2017, the D.C. Circuit denied Washington D.C.'s request for rehearing.	Because the decision was not petitioned to the Supreme Court for review, Washington D.C. is now effectively a "shall-issue" jurisdiction.
<b>IS THE FEDERAL LAW THAT PROHIBITS CONSUMERS FROM ACQUIRING HANDGUNS OUTSIDE THEIR HOME STATE CONSISTENT WITH THE SECOND AMENDMENT AND THE EQUAL PROTECTION CLAUSE OF THE FIFTH AMENDMENT'S DUE PROCESS CLAUSE?</b>	<i>Mance v. Barr</i>	Plaintiff's petition for writ of certiorari is pending before the U.S. Supreme Court.	Either the High Court will grant certiorari and hear the case or not. At this point, the chance that will happen is slim, although not impossible.



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# NRA PREVAILS AGAINST CITY OF LOS ANGELES IN FINAL JUDGMENT

## CITY NOW PERMANENTLY BLOCKED FROM BLACKLISTING NRA SUPPORTERS, WILL PAY NRA'S LEGAL BILLS

**J**udge Stephen V. Wilson of the U.S. District Court for the Central District of California issued a final Judgment of Permanent Injunction against the City of Los Angeles and in favor of the National Rifle Association of America (NRA).

The judgment permanently prohibits the city from enforcing an

ordinance that had required NRA members or supporters to disclose their support for the NRA in order to be considered to do business with the city. The outcome is another legal victory for the NRA, which has successfully confronted many First Amendment attacks on the organization and its members.

"The message from this final outcome should be heard loud and clear from coast to coast: We will challenge anyone and any organiza-



**BY CHUCK MICHEL**  
CRPA  
PRESIDENT  
& GENERAL  
COUNSEL

tion who tries to infringe on the First or Second Amendment rights of the NRA," says Wayne LaPierre, CEO and executive vice president of the NRA. "We will never stop defending our members and fighting for the constitutional freedoms in which they believe.

# These coordinated political efforts to demonize and censor those who support the NRA's (and CRPA's) message of safety, freedom and self-reliance, as well as the NRA itself and its members, are part of an ongoing effort to ostracize gun owners ...

This victory is for our supporters and all who proudly advocate for the Second Amendment.”

On April 24, 2019, the NRA and others filed a lawsuit to invalidate the Los Angeles ordinance because it violated the First Amendment rights of the NRA and its members and supporters. The NRA then successfully sought a temporary Order of Preliminary Injunction from the court to block the enforcement of the blacklisting ordinance while the lawsuit was litigated. In December, the court issued the order that the NRA requested, blocking the city from enforcing the ordinance and finding

that the ordinance violated the First Amendment rights of free speech of the NRA and its supporters.

Although the city had vowed to defend the ordinance in court, it did not appeal the court's emphatic preliminary injunction order. Instead, faced with “discovery” requests from the NRA as it investigated the circumstances surrounding the passage of the ordinance, the city attempted to “moot” the lawsuit by repealing the ordinance on January 21, 2020. The NRA continued to further pursue its rights and insisted that the temporary Order of Preliminary Injunction be reissued as a final judgment

of Permanent Injunction so that the city could never reenact the same or a similar ordinance that attempted to censor the NRA's message of safety, freedom and personal responsibility—or discourage support for the NRA.

With the issuance of that final Judgment of Permanent Injunction, the temporary Order or Preliminary Injunction has now been made permanent. The issuance of a judgment for one party or the other ends a lawsuit, so the only issue left for the court to decide is the amount of attorneys' fees that the city must pay to the NRA as the prevailing party in the lawsuit. At NRA's insistence, the city has informed city employees and contractors that the ordinance is not to be enforced.

These coordinated political efforts to demonize and censor those who support the NRA's (and CRPA's) message of safety, freedom and self-reliance, as well as the NRA itself and its members are part of an ongoing effort to ostracize gun owners and shame folks into not buying a firearm for sport or to defend their families. That's why they tried to ban gun shows; they want to shut down shooting ranges and gun stores, and they want to make guns and ammo too expensive for the average buyer. If they can keep people from discovering how much fun sport shooting or hunting is and how much value firearms have as self-defense tools, it will be easier to eradicate the gun culture and ultimately eliminate private firearms ownership. CRPA will stand up with any pro-2A group that faces that kind of attack. **CRPA**

# LOCAL ADVOCACY REPORT

BY TIFFANY D. CHEUVRONT

The **Local Advocacy Project** actively monitors all of California's 58 counties and 482 municipalities to support or oppose any proposed ordinance, law or policy likely to impact Second Amendment rights. Local efforts include developing and working with a network of professionals, citizens, local government officials and law enforcement professionals to effectively oppose local threats to California gun owners. These efforts also serve as the foundation for litigation efforts against municipalities that enact anti-gun-owner legislation.

JURISDICTION & ISSUE	DESCRIPTION	LOP RESPONSE	STATUS
<b>DEL MAR FAIRGROUNDS MORATORIUM ON GUN SHOWS</b>	For months the Del Mar gun show has been under siege from groups seeking to end the show. On September 11, 2018, the Del Mar Fair Board of Directors voted to institute an up to 1-year moratorium on gun shows beginning in 2019 while they “study the safety” of the gun show.	Additional legislation has been introduced at the state level that would prevent gun shows from occurring at the Del Mar Fairgrounds.  CRPA is currently a named plaintiff in a federal lawsuit against the fairgrounds in an effort to protect your right to come together with others in the gun culture and hold lawful and safe events on public property. More information on the lawsuit can be found at <a href="http://michellawyers.com/b-l-productions-inc-et-al-v-22nd-district-agricultural-association-et-al">michellawyers.com/b-l-productions-inc-et-al-v-22nd-district-agricultural-association-et-al</a>	CRPA will continue to monitor the legislation and provide updates on the progress of the legal challenge.  For now, the federal courts have ordered that the gun shows may continue in 2020 at the Del Mar Fairgrounds while the litigation progresses.
<b>VENTURA COUNTY FAIR BOARD CONSIDERS GUN SHOWS</b>	In May 2018, the Ventura County Fair Board considered contracts for upcoming gun shows in 2019 and 2020. They approved the remaining 2018 shows to move forward. At the September 25, 2018, Board meeting, in a room of more than 100 gun show supporters, they considered the future of gun shows at the Ventura Fair facility.	This is a concerted effort by anti-gun groups to end gun shows in California. They are working with the national groups to make a statement that “we just don't need” gun shows. CRPA is fighting against these groups and the false narrative. Over 100 members and supporters of the Second Amendment flooded the Board room and provided testimony and written comments to the Board.	The Board voted to approve gun shows going forward but may try to place more restrictions on them. CRPA attorneys drafted a letter to the Board concerning the constitutional issues these types of restrictions may bring.  <b>Please watch for calls to action and future meeting announcements.</b>
<b>COW PALACE GUN SHOWS DALY CITY</b>	At the state level the California Legislature passed a bill in 2018 that would ban gun shows at the Cow Palace state venue as part of the concerted effort by opposition groups. This bill was vetoed by then Governor Brown. The pending legislation to stop gun shows and dismantle the Cow Palace authority has been dropped; however, this came with the condition that the Cow Palace Board would stop holding gun shows in the future.	CRPA drafted a prelitigation letter to the Board of the Cow Palace to inform them of pending legal action should they persist with denying gun shows access to state property.	The Board voted in November to re-consider their stance against gun shows given the possible constitutional violations that have been outlined by the federal courts on this subject. CRPA will continue to monitor the situation.

JURISDICTION & ISSUE	DESCRIPTION	LOP RESPONSE	STATUS
<b>ORANGE COUNTY FAIRGROUNDS</b>	For months the Orange County Fair Board has considered the future of gun shows at the venue.	CRPA alerted members to attend a meeting and voice opposition. Submitted letters of opposition informing the Fair Board of the serious legal issues with discriminating against a segment of the population just because some do not like the legal activity.	In October, the Fair Board met to discuss the approval of 2020 contracts for gun shows. Thanks to CRPA members and business affiliates showing up; we were able to get a positive win. Gun shows will be returning to the Orange County Fairgrounds in 2020!
<b>STATEWIDE PUBLIC RECORD REQUESTS</b>	CRPA regularly seeks and obtains public records in connection with any anti-gun efforts in California. Such efforts include proposed anti-gun ordinances, gun buyback programs and other anti-gun regulatory enforcement issues.	Responses to these requests often yield valuable results, such as which members of a local government entity are working with anti-gun groups, sources of funding and other important information.	Ongoing. CRPA attorneys monitor and review thousands of pages of public records requests each month.
<b>CITY OF MORGAN HILL</b>	City of Morgan Hill recommends drafting ordinances on duty to report theft or lost firearms, a safe storage ordinance while in home, prohibit possession of LCMs and require a permit to conduct retail sales.	CRPA attorneys submitted a letter in advance of actual ordinance language being introduced to inform the City of the problems with the proposal. In August 2018 there was no action on agenda. In November 2018 the ordinance passed the City Council.	The City was alerted to its unconstitutional actions, and members at the meeting in opposition to the ordinance far outweighed those in support of it. The City moved forward with the ordinance in November 2018. NRA and CRPA filed legal action against the City. More information regarding the litigation can be found at <a href="http://michellawyers.com/kirk-v-city-of-morgan-hill">michellawyers.com/kirk-v-city-of-morgan-hill</a>
<b>CITY OF LOS ANGELES BLACKLIST</b>	The City Council passed an ordinance that would require all current and potential contractors to disclose under affidavit their affiliation with the NRA.	NRA and CRPA submitted letters and warned the City attorney of the legal ramifications of blatantly attacking the freedom to associate and speak against government. The City passed the ordinance by calling NRA members "white supremacists" who "peddle in violence." There was no comment from other Council members regarding the outright falsehood of these statements.	HUGE WIN FOR GUN OWNERS—The federal court awarded the NRA an injunction which prevents the City from enforcing this unconstitutional law while the case continues. Trial Date is set for February 25, 2020.



**Tiffany D. Chevront** leads the local ordinance project for Michel & Associates, P.C. With over 19 years' experience in the non-profit and regulatory fields, she practices civil rights litigation and corporate governance law (five of those years working specifically in Second Amendment and CA policy). Tiffany has written and provided testimony on issues at the local, state and federal levels of government.

# CRPA PROGRAMS UPDATE

## BY CRPA STAFF

### LAW ENFORCEMENT PROGRAM

CRPA maintains relationships with county sheriffs and local law enforcement across the state. We work with law enforcement to provide training on new firearm laws and provide publications to the men and women who serve our communities. We are honored to have many of the sheriffs and law enforcement (both active and retired) serving on our Law Enforcement Program Support Committee where we identify areas of policy on which we can jointly work together.

### TRAINING PROGRAM

The CRPA Training and Education Program gets more people pulling triggers by teaching them the basics of being a responsible gun owner all the way up to advanced courses and range safety officer courses. CRPA believes that all gun owners can benefit from the trainings offered from the young and new gun owners to the more experienced. Make sure to check out [CRPA.org](http://CRPA.org) for more information on all the upcoming trainings.

### OUTREACH AND ADVOCACY PROGRAM

Chapters are a way for CRPA to bring influence to the local level of engagement. Our chapters work to educate, volunteer and attend local meetings to speak to Second Amendment issues in their own communities. Volunteers are the life-blood of CRPA. Volunteers are all across the state and assist in educating the public, working gun shows, sharing memberships with others and generally are an amazing group of people giving back to the Second Amendment every day.

The Business Affiliates Program engages pro-2A businesses and turns them into Second Amendment Action Centers where their customers can learn more about engaging in the fight to protect their constitutional rights in California. Businesses have the opportunity to offer "round up" programs to customers, membership in the CRPA to join in the fight and conduct fundraisers and open houses with CRPA on-site. If you are a business and are interested in more information, please call the CRPA at 714-992-2772.

The Local Advocacy Program works to track anti-gun legislative action across the state at the local level. We find that many of the anti-gun politicians try to make a name for themselves at the local level through passing bad and unconstitutional legislation which imposes arbitrary laws on law-abiding citizens. CRPA tracks these issues, attends meetings, submits letters of opposition and even challenges many of these local issues in court.

### RANGE SHIELD PROGRAM

The CRPA Range Shield Program is a way that CRPA works every day to preserve and protect the many shooting ranges we have across the state. We work with range-certified experts and our legal team to be preemptive in helping range owners recognize compliance and environmental issues that may become a problem for them in the future. We work with those ranges to help them get into compliance and hopefully prevent more ranges from being forced to close their door. The more ranges that are out there, the more places for gun owners, new and old, to get out and enjoy their sport or take in more training.

### SHOOTING PROGRAM

CRPA is the sanctioning organization for state championships in the state of California. Each year we work with multiple disciplines, numerous ranges and members to bring state championship matches to areas across the state. Many of these participants are good enough to make it to the national championships at Camp Perry—a time-honored tradition for competitive shooting. Visit [CRPA.org](http://CRPA.org) for more information on all of the shooting sports programs.

### HUNTING AND CONSERVATION PROGRAM

CRPA is the premier group in California leading the way in developing hunting policies with industry partners through a coalition of organizations that are concerned about management of the environment through healthy hunting policies. CRPA works at the state level to protect the right to hunt, protect the openness of public lands and promote hunting to the next generation through our youth hunt camps and pheasant shoots.

### WOMEN AND YOUTH PROGRAMS

CRPA is empowering the next generation of women and youth who are educated, understand firearm safety, participate in the shooting sports and hunting and want to share their love of the shooting sports with their family and friends. One hundred years ago, women and youth as young as 9 years old knew how to handle firearms and provide for their families. This program is a tip of the hat to our heritage and a vision of the future as CRPA works with women and youth to bring back this love of shooting.

# MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION FORM

Name
DOB
Street Address
City, County, State, Zip Code
Phone
Email Address

Membership Options	Price
<input type="checkbox"/> Annual Member	\$35
<input type="checkbox"/> Five-Year Member	\$150
<input type="checkbox"/> Sustaining Member	\$17.91/month
<input type="checkbox"/> Life Member	\$500
<b>*Veterans take 10% off-Annual, Five-year, Life</b>	
<input type="checkbox"/> Senior Life Member	\$275
<input type="checkbox"/> Defender Life Member	\$1000 + Life
<input type="checkbox"/> Activist Life Member	\$2500 + Activist
<input type="checkbox"/> Patriot Life Member	\$4000 + Activist

Check next to membership of choice

Auto-Renewal      Total Due \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Check #
Card #
Exp Date MM/YY
Email Address

\*25% of CRPA membership dues are used for lobbying and political activities.

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## CRPA MEMBERSHIP LEVELS & BENEFITS

**ALL NEW CRPA members of every level receive these benefits:**

- Subscription to CRPA's *California Firing Line* magazine
- CRPA membership card with Know Your Rights notice
- CRPA decal or sticker
- Legislative & litigation updates and information bulletins
- Exclusive access to timely and informative webinars, podcasts and other resources

**Upgraded members receive *additional* benefits as listed below. To sign up for membership, please visit [crpa.org](http://crpa.org).**

■ **Annual Member:** \$35 / Year

■ **Five-Year Member:** \$150 (\$5 savings a year on annual membership)

■ **Sustaining Member:** \$17.91 / month

- Pocket Constitution
- CRPA Challenge Coin

### CRPA LIFE MEMBERSHIPS\*

- Life Member Hat
- Life Member Velcro Patch
- CRPA Life Member Decal or Sticker
- Pocket Constitution
- CRPA Challenge Coin
- A copy of the current year edition of *California Gun Laws: A Guide to State and Federal Firearm Regulations* by CRPA's President and General Counsel Chuck Michel

**\*Active military and veterans get a 10% discount on all Life Memberships.**

■ **Life Member:** \$500 one-time payment, or 4 quarterly payments of \$140

■ **Senior Life Member (65 and older):** \$275 one-time payment, or four \$75 / quarterly payments

### ENHANCED LIFE MEMBERSHIPS

CRPA's Enhanced Life Members are 2A supporters, hunters and shooters committed to the CRPA's mission and success. In addition to ALL the above-listed member benefits, CRPA Enhanced Life Members also receive:

■ **Defender Life Member:** \$1000 upgrade for CRPA Life Members

- CRPA Defender Life Member Hat
- CRPA Defender Life Member Lapel Pin
- CRPA Custom-Engraved Defender Life Member Buck Knife
- Annually updated copy of *California Gun Laws: A Guide to State and Federal Firearm Regulations* by CRPA's President and General Counsel Chuck Michel
- Defender Life Member Certificate
- Invitations to Exclusive VIP Events, Briefings and Tours
- Personal Recognition from CRPA President

■ **Activist Life Member:** \$2500 upgrade for CRPA Defender Life Members

- Activist Life Member Embroidered Patch
- Activist Life Member Outerwear / Jacket
- Activist Life Member Hat
- Activist Life Member Lapel Pin
- CRPA Custom-Engraved Activist Life Member Buck Knife
- Annually updated copy of *California Gun Laws: A Guide to State and Federal Firearm Regulations* by CRPA's President and General Counsel Chuck Michel
- Activist Life Member Certificate
- Invitations to Exclusive VIP Events, Briefings and Tours
- Personal Recognition from CRPA President

■ **Patriot Life Member (Highest Level):** \$4000 upgrade for CRPA Activist Life Members

- 9mm SIG SAUER P226 MK25 or .45 Springfield 1911 Custom-Engraved Pistol
- CRPA Patriot Life Member Hat
- CRPA Patriot Life Member Lapel Pin
- CRPA Custom-Engraved Patriot Life Member Buck Knife
- Annually updated copy of *California Gun Laws: A Guide to State and Federal Firearm Regulations* by CRPA's President and General Counsel Chuck Michel
- CRPA Patriot Life Member Challenge Coin
- Special Patriot Life Member Recognition Wall Plaque
- Patriot Life Member Certificate
- Invitations to Exclusive VIP Events, Briefings and Tours
- Personal Recognition from CRPA President
- Custom logo jacket



# WHAT IS THE CRPA?

**The California Rifle & Pistol Association (CRPA), founded in 1875, is a nonprofit membership and donor-supported organization with tens of thousands of members throughout California. We need you!**

CRPA's membership is comprised of a diverse cross-section of the general public including believers in the right to choose to own a gun to defend yourself and your family, competitive and recreational shooters, hunters, conservationists, gun safety experts, youth, women, police, prosecutors and defense attorneys, judges, firearm history and technology experts, coaches and trainers, families and loving parents.

CRPA works tirelessly and relentlessly to defend the civil and constitutional rights of individuals to choose to responsibly own and use firearms. Every dollar that CRPA receives from its members and donors stays and works in California to support your hunting and Second Amendment rights and the fight back against politicians, elitists and bureaucrats who would deprive individuals of those rights.

Through its Sacramento and local legal and political advocates, CRPA works in the state capital, in regulatory agencies and in city halls throughout California to promote laws that protect these rights and to oppose laws that infringe on these rights.

Through its legal team, CRPA fights in the courts to challenge unconstitutional and illegal gun bans and ill-conceived gun control laws and provides guidance to California gun owners regarding their legal rights and responsibilities.

CRPA works to preserve the traditional and historic role of the individual citizen to hunt and to conserve and preserve California's natural resources.

CRPA promotes the recreational shooting sports and hosts hundreds of "fun shoots" annually.

CRPA provides safety, education and skills training and makes gun safety information available.

CRPA organizes and sanctions competitive shooting matches for both adult and junior shooters, including Olympic training programs and state championships.

CRPA sanctions state championship matches in many shooting disciplines. CRPA is proud to state that many CRPA competitors are among the best in the world.

# VOLUNTEER REGISTRATION FORM

First Name	Middle Initial
Last Name	
Street Address	
City, County, State, Zip Code	
Cell Phone	
Email Address	

**Check your areas of interest. This is not an exclusive list. You can always change your mind.**

- Staff gun show & trade show info booths
- Help with fundraisers
- Work on political campaigns or elections
- Voter registration drives
- Assist with youth/women's events / RSO
- Assist with training events / RSO
- Assist with hunting events
- Be a CRPA membership recruiter (earn \$)
- Liaison with local authorities and council members
- Teach firearm safety and proficiency classes
- Monitor/promote social media
- Promote CRPA/RKBA messaging/PR campaigns
- I am down for whatever to help the cause
- Other:

## THANK YOU!

Return to the **California Rifle & Pistol Association**  
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# REMEMBERING SENATOR H.L. "BILL" RICHARDSON SECOND AMENDMENT CHAMPION AND POLITICAL MAVERICK

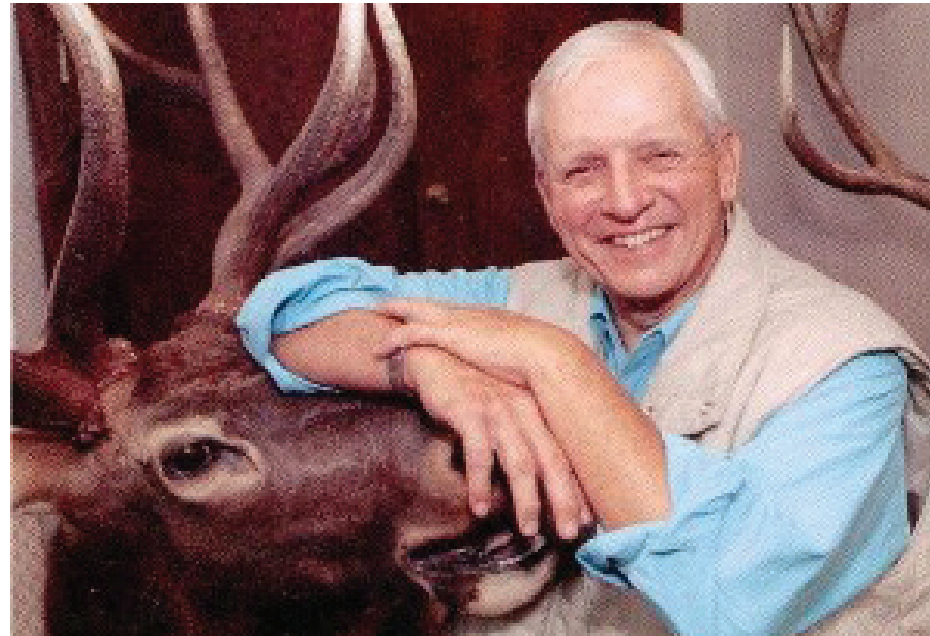
**T**he Second Amendment community lost one its fiercest and most dynamic advocates when Senator H.L. "Bill" Richardson passed away in January at age 92.

Founder of Gun Owners of California (GOC) and Gun Owners of America (GOA), he was a Lifetime member of CRPA and served as an NRA Board Member. Richardson's love of the Constitution leaves a profound legacy that began over 45 years ago and continues today.

He was elected to the State Senate in 1966 and served for 22 years, during which time he grew concerned with attacks on the Second Amendment and in 1975 formed GOC, a grassroots political action committee. GOA soon followed, and Richardson's skill for mobilizing individuals toward a common goal launched an effective political movement.

In the "The Man Who Changed the Capitol," veteran Capitol reporter Dan Walters wrote how Richardson "single-handedly changed the nature of the Capitol, pioneered political techniques that continue to be used and altered the course of California history ... few political figures past or present could claim to have had such impact."

John Gizzi, political columnist and White House correspondent for *Newsmax.com* called Richardson a swashbuckling conservative before it was cool, writing, "Utilizing his skills as an ad man



(COURTESY OF H.L. RICHARDSON'S FAMILY)

and his legislative acumen, Richardson was a major player in thwarting legislation that would undermine the right to keep and bear arms ... H.L. Richardson was a true swashbuckler in the post-war conservative movement ... "

*National Review's* national-affairs reporter John Fund wrote, "He helped catapult conservative politics to a new level of sophistication. Richardson didn't give a hoot about political correctness. He was one of the funniest, most effervescent and most candid politicians I ever knew."

He also recognized Richardson's influence, noting he "pioneered a form of grassroots politics in California that proved to be revolutionary ... His ability to move the political needle even while

he was stuck in the Legislature as a member of the minority party inspired many others to believe that they could make a difference from the outside."

Fund concluded with, "Would that American politics had more H. L. Richardsons today."

Richardson was also an extraordinary hunter and was dedicated to the conservation of California game. He was a prolific writer; his book *Confrontational Politics* is the quintessential guide to approaching politics and is considered a virtual "game plan" for political wins.

To read more about the life of Senator H.L. Richardson, go to [gunownersca.com](http://gunownersca.com). **CRPA**

— Laurie Paredes



(JOHN CRITES)

## IN CELEBRATION OF JOHN CRITES

**J**ohn Crites was a patriot, stalwart advocate for the Second Amendment, committed CRPA volunteer and friend who passed away suddenly last July. John had been

a CRPA volunteer for 5 years and loved doing whatever he could to advance our cause.

John's dedication is best exempli-

fied by this story. We were to work an event together in the Bay Area over a weekend. I got a text from John on Friday evening saying that Highway 17 was closed due to a landslide. John lived in Scotts Valley, and Highway 17 is the only practical route to the Bay Area. I replied saying not to worry I was fine covering the event by myself. John replied, "No, I will be there, it's just going to

take me a little longer." John was at the event the next morning, on time, after having taken a circuitous backwards route that added 2 hours to his commute that day.

When John was recruiting for CRPA he always had two things at his table: the American Flag, and he honored his father by displaying a framed picture of his father wearing his United States Army Air Forces uniform and taken while he was serving overseas flying the "Hump" airlift during World War II.

John was a good and honorable man, and I feel fortunate to have had the opportunity to know and volunteer with him. I appreciate all that he did for CRPA and our cause. **CRPA**

— Kevin Small

# JEFF WRITER

BY CRPA STAFF

**J**eff Writer is a current member and Southern California volunteer for the past year. Jeff has helped at our regular Costa Mesa Gun Shows, Fred Hall and Mike Raahauge Youth Outdoor Adventure Day. Jeff has also supported us at CRPA special events, such as our annual Crawfish Boil. Recently, Jeff became an NRA RSO and is hoping to help with more CRPA events. Currently, Jeff mostly shoots defensive handguns and recently attended a 4-day defensive handgun course at Frontsight.

Jeff was 12 years old when his grandparents offered to give him a .22 rifle. His mom, a single parent who grew up in the 1960s, was a bit of a hippie and not a fan of guns. However, she allowed him to have the rifle after he went through a hunter safety course in Arizona. When in Arizona, he used to hunt dove, quail, rabbit, etc., but he doesn't hunt these days. On the side, Jeff is also an avid woodworker, but his machines have not seen much use since his daughters, Adeline (3 years) and Holly (7 months) were born. He also has a Yamaha Super Ténéré and loves to ride it when he can. If anyone is curious about skydiving, contact Jeff as he has an "A" license in skydiving and has jumped solo 55 times.

Jeff's day job is working for an insurance company and provides inspection, consultation as well as training to our clients. Some of the trainings he provides are Active Assailant Training, Stop the Bleed, AED usage, Bloodborne Pathogens and almost any industrial safety topic that is needed.



► Jeff Writer at the CRPA BB range. (CRPA STAFF)

## What motivates you to volunteer at CRPA?

**JW:** I started to volunteer when some of my friends, co-workers and acquaintances were deciding to "flee" the oppressiveness of California's bureaucracy. They all seemed to want to go to Texas, Arizona or Idaho. I felt that this was such a cop-out or giving up and decided to actually do something and be a part of the solution. I think if more people like myself got involved, we Californians would not be in the predicaments we are in now. I for one am going to stay and fight for our rights in California. If we don't, you know as well as I do, that the poor decisions made here seem

to spread across the country anyway. Someone once told me ... imagine a wagon being pushed uphill because the horses just can't do it on their own ... are you riding in the wagon or are you outside pushing the wagon? If you value your 2nd Amendment rights, heck any of your rights, get out of the dang wagon and help push!

## What do you like about volunteering?

**JW:** I think the best part about volunteering is helping to expose youth to the shooting sports and recreation in a meaningful, fun and safe environment. It's a great feeling to help a youngster shooting for the very first time and see that smile on their face when they are

hitting the target and really "getting it." I also love meeting someone who might be opposed to firearms but is willing to at least listen to reason and have an informed and intelligent discussion about the issues.

## What does the 2nd Amendment mean to you?

**JW:** My grandfather flew Corsairs in World War II, and he sacrificed for all of us to keep the rights that we have. Our grandparents knew why each of our rights is important and how they all support the other rights. I think with additional generations, the importance of these rights

seems to be forgotten. Our country is truly the melting pot of the world, but I think sometimes all of us who are or [who] came from immigrants need to remember why America is so desirable ... because the prior generations stood up for our rights and fought for those rights. We need to teach our children the truth about our history, the good AND the bad, and what can happen when rights fade. If we don't protect ALL of them, history will repeat itself, and we will have heartache. **CRPA**



**Prepare for the New Year:  
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- Limiting purchases of semiautomatic centerfire rifles
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## VOLUNTEERS ARE OUR MOST POWERFUL WEAPON!

CRPA is looking for men and women to join the fight for our rights as a CRPA volunteer or grassroots activist. You can feel good about being part of the solution, meet new friends, learn about guns and politics and get free CRPA swag! For more information, fill out and send in the volunteer form (page 59), email us at [volunteers@crpa.org](mailto:volunteers@crpa.org) or call (714) 992-2772.

Because of CRPA's tremendous growth, and with the support of our members and like-minded organizations, CRPA is expanding its involvement in local campaigns and elections and sponsoring and participating in more events. CRPA has made a substantial investment in grassroots/volunteer coordinating, local election messaging technologies and added staff to manage volunteers and events.

CRPA Chapters and affiliated groups maintain their independence, but work with CRPA and get access to: (1) Real-time legislative information from our legislative advocates in the Capital; (2) CRPA/NRA campaign finance and PAC lawyers; (3) CRPA/NRA firearms lawyers who answer questions, fight for local FFLs and ranges in your area, oppose local gun control ordinances and file lawsuits; and (4) Regular communication among coalition partners and other local groups to learn from each other and build a stronger network of activists. CRPA needs volunteers to work as Chapter Leaders; Government Liaisons (i.e., candidate development and local issues and ordinances coverage); Retail/Ranges Liaisons; Volunteers and Events Liaison; and CCW Liaisons, among other things.

CRPA invites individuals as well as local 2A groups, clubs, ranges and FFLs to be a part of the effort in your county. Join us! **Volunteer for CRPA!**

# EVENTS & TRAINING

## EVENTS

### MARCH

**March 4-8**  
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**March 7-8**  
**YUBA CITY GUN SHOW**  
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**March 7-8**  
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**March 14-15**  
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**BUCK STOP UKIAH GUN SHOW**  
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**March 14-15**  
**CAROL WATSON ANTIQUE & MODERN FIREARMS AND EDGED WEAPONS AUCTION**  
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**April 4-5**  
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## TRAINING

### MARCH

**March 7**  
**NRA PISTOL INSTRUCTOR COURSE**  
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**March 21**  
**TRADITIONAL HUNTER EDUCATION**  
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### APRIL

**April 11**  
**TRADITIONAL HUNTER EDUCATION**  
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### MAY

**May 9**  
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## NRA COURSE DESCRIPTIONS

### NRA BASIC SHOTGUN COURSE

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### NRA HOME FIREARM SAFETY COURSE

This is a 4-hour course for safe gun handling that is conducted in the classroom only. Students are taught NRA's three rules for safe gun handling; primary causes of firearms accidents; firearm parts; ammunition components; cleaning; care; safe storage of firearms in the home; and the benefits of becoming an active participant in the shooting

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### NRA BASIC PISTOL SHOOTING COURSE

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### NRA RIFLE INSTRUCTOR

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teaching skills via participation in practical exercises during the course and complete an instructor certification examination. Cost: \$150 for 10 hours.

■ March 7, 2020

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For upcoming training courses, see [crpa.org/events/training](https://crpa.org/events/training).

NRA Instructor Courses are also available. Please talk to a CRPA representative or check our website at [crpa.org/events/training](https://crpa.org/events/training).

# VOLUNTEER PLAINTIFFS NEEDED FOR PRO-2A LAWSUITS.

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► CRPA President Chuck Michel meets six-time Olympic medalist in Sports Shooting, Kim Rhode at the 2020 SHOT Show in Las Vegas, NV. (CRPA STAFF)

# CALIFORNIA CHAMPIONSHIP MATCHES IN 2020

■ **Palma Rifle and Palma Rifle F-Class Championships**, March 5-8. Host: Coalinga Rifle Club, registration and contact information Curtis Gordon, email ccccgordon@aol.com, 559-623-6455.

■ **Open Indoor 4-Position Smallbore Championships**, March 20-22. Host: Knights Landing Sportsmen's Club, registration and contact information Quade Hutchison, email quadeh@live.com, 530-219-9389.

■ **California State Mid-Range Championship**, March 28-29. Host: Folsom Shooting Club, registration and contact information Peter White, email prwhite1@sbcglobal.net, 209-327-2832.

■ **Service Rifle Championship**, April 2-4. Host: Coalinga Rifle Club, registration and contact information Curtis Gordon, email ccccgordon@aol.com, 559-623-6455.

■ **Service Rifle Individual Championship and CMP Leg Match**, April 5. Host: Coalinga Rifle Club, registration and contact information Curtis Gordon, email ccccgordon@aol.com, 559-623-6455.

■ **High Power Rifle Championship**, April 30-May 3. Host: Coalinga Rifle Club, registration and contact information Curtis Gordon, email ccccgordon@aol.com, 559-623-6455.

■ **Smallbore & Smallbore Hunter Rifle Silhouette**

**Championship**, May 2-3. Host: Monterey Co. Swiss Rifle Club, registration and contact information Bobby Monares, email 260bobby@gmail.com, 831-760-6213.

■ **CRPA State 3-Position Championship**, May 23-24. Host: Los Angeles Rifle and Revolver Club, registration and contact information Ray Del Rio, email trdelrio@att.net, 714-612-4585.

■ **California Lever Action Silhouette State Championship**. Host: Los Angeles Silhouette Club. Waiting on contact information from host club, see [www.lasc.us](http://www.lasc.us) for more information.

■ **CRPA State Conventional Prone Championship**, June 6-7. Host: Los Angeles Rifle and Revolver Club, registration and contact information Ray Del Rio, email trdelrio@att.net, 714-612-4585.

■ **CRPA State Benchrest/ F-Class Championship**, July 25-26. Host: Los Angeles Rifle and Revolver Club, registration and contact information Ray Del Rio, email trdelrio@att.net, 714-612-4585.

■ **CRPA State F-Class Championship**, October 3-4. Host: Los Angeles Rifle and Revolver Club, registration and contact information Ray Del Rio, email trdelrio@att.net, 714-612-4585.

■ **2020 CRPA State/International 3-Position 60 Shot Prone Junior Championship**, Oct 24-25. Host: Los Angeles Rifle and Revolver Club, registration and contact information Ray Del Rio, email trdelrio@att.net, 714-612-4585.

■ **Long Range Rifle /Long Range Rifle Championship F-Class**, November 5-8. Host: Coalinga Rifle Club, registration and contact information Curtis Gordon, email ccccgordon@aol.com, 559-623-6455.



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### TOKYO 2020!

The 2020 Summer Olympics are being held July 24–August 9 in Tokyo, Japan. The Sports Shooting competitions have been a part of the Olympic Games since 1896, with women's events being added in 1984 at the Los Angeles Games. The competition's program covers these events:

- 50m Rifle 3 Positions (Men/Women)
- 10m Air Rifle (Men/Women)
- 25m Rapid Fire Pistol (Men)
- 25m Pistol (Women)
- 10m Air Pistol (Men/Women)
- Trap (Men/Women)
- Skeet (Men/Women)
- 10m Air Rifle Mixed Team
- 10m Air Pistol Mixed Team
- Trap Mixed Team

For more information on the Sports Shooting events, see [tokyo2020.org/en/games/sport/olympic/shooting](http://tokyo2020.org/en/games/sport/olympic/shooting).



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3. **ALWAYS** keep your finger off the trigger until you are ready to shoot.
4. **ALWAYS** keep the gun unloaded until ready to use.
5. **ALWAYS** know your target, its surroundings, and beyond.
6. **ALWAYS** know how to properly operate your gun.
7. **ALWAYS** be sure the gun is safe to operate.
8. **ALWAYS** use only the correct ammunition for your gun.
9. **ALWAYS** wear eye and ear protection.
10. **NEVER** use alcohol or over-the-counter, prescription, or other drugs before or while participating in shooting sports.



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# NATIONAL 4-H SHOOT COMES TO CALIFORNIA

BY THOMAS AQUINO

**T**he National 4-H Western Heritage Conference and Invitational Shoot was held for the first time ever in California on July 30-August 1, 2019.

California hosted about 100 4-H youth, parents and volunteers from seven states at River Oaks Range in Winton, CA. The 4-H Western Heritage Project is aimed at educating youth not only in firearms safety but also engaging them in living history and public speaking. Participation in the Project requires members to learn the safe handling of firearms through shooting a variety of cowboy-action-style stages for time, as well as learning about U.S. history from 1860-1900. They must also develop and present a 3 to 5 minute "persona" where they dress in period-appropriate clothing and demonstrate their historical knowledge to a panel of judges.

The CRPA has been a donor to California 4-H shooting sports for a number of years, supporting a variety of different disciplines including archery, hunting, muzzle loading, pistol, rifle, shotgun and the Western Heritage Project. Through the generous donations of our sponsors, like CRPA, and the diligent efforts of our event volunteers, we were able to positively impact the lives of many youths and attendees through shooting sports and during this event. In addition to participants and their parents, there were also a number of VIP guests that included Merced County Supervisor for District 4, Lloyd Pareira, and California State Assemblyman for District 21, Adam Gray.

Event attendees were also able to attend a variety of "historical demonstrations" in which they learned about the lifestyle and work of those who lived on the frontier through a hands-on approach. Some of these demonstrations included: leather working, lead casting, his-



► **4-H shooting sports members learn** not only about safe firearms handling but also develop leadership abilities and self-confidence, thanks to the help of our awesome volunteers. (THOMAS AQUINO)



► **Western Heritage Project members learn** the safe handling of firearms through shooting a variety of cowboy-action-style stages. (THOMAS AQUINO)

torical clothing and a frontier-style sutler tent, where participants could purchase a variety of frontier goods. Shooting demonstrations were also included, where members had the opportunity to shoot original firearms. Some of these guns were the "Quigley" Sharps, a Springfield Model 1873 Trapdoor as well as a variety of muzzle-loading revolvers and even a Civil War-era cannon!

In addition to historical events, participants ate a variety of foods that highlight California's rich agricultural industry, and some even went to Yosemite and Monterey. Of all of the activities, however, the biggest crowd pleaser was the Tuesday night concert with cowboy entertainer Dave Stamey. The success of this event would not have been possible without the help of our 4-H volunteers, sponsors and participants.



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## HUNTERS' CODE OF ETHICS

- Follow the rules of firearm and hunting safety. Insist that fellow hunters do the same.
- Respect the environment and wildlife. Study the ecosystem. Tread lightly. Leave no trash behind.
- Do not waste game or fish. Make full use of any animal taken. Take only what you will use, even if it is under the legal limit.
- Use only fair and humane methods of taking wildlife. Develop your hunting and shooting skills as necessary to ensure clean, sportsmanlike kills.
- Know your fitness, skill and equipment limitations. Hunt within those limits.
- Obey all hunting regulations. Hunt with the appropriate license and tags only in allowed areas during designated times and seasons. Obey bag and possession limits. Use only legal hunting methods and equipment. Report game law violations immediately.
- Ask landowner for permission to hunt and respect the land. Close any gates you open. Say thank you.
- Be considerate of non-hunters'

sensibilities. Strive to leave them with positive images of hunting and hunters.

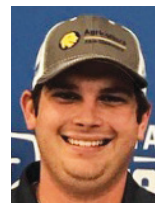
- Don't flaunt your kill. Be as discreet as possible. Treat game carcasses in an inoffensive manner, particularly during transport.
- Generally conduct yourself in a sportsmanlike manner. Hunt according to "fair chase." Require the same of your hunting partners.
- Support NAM wildlife conservation programs and urge policymakers to support strong NAM-based conservation initiatives.
- Teach others the skills, techniques, rules and ethics of hunting. Pass these ethical hunting practices along to younger hunters.



► **Members of the California Delegation** posed with the cannon. There were 12 competitors representing California from all across the state. (THOMAS AQUINO)

If you would like to see some of the activities that took place at the 2019 National 4-H Western Heritage Conference, visit: [facebook.com/California-4-H-Shooting-Sports-359716147438695](https://facebook.com/California-4-H-Shooting-Sports-359716147438695). To learn more about the Western Heritage Project, visit: [4-hwesternheritageproject.org](http://4-hwesternheritageproject.org). **CRPA**

*Thomas Aquino was born and raised in San Jose, CA. During high school, Thomas was very active in both 4-H and FFA and participated in a variety of shooting sports including the Western Heritage Project. He is currently studying Animal Science at Texas A&M University-Commerce in Commerce, TX.*



# GENERATIONS AND MENTORSHIP... WHAT IT MEANS TO ME!

BY FLETCHER DIEHL

Dove season arrived September 1. We headed to the Imperial Valley Saturday at 3 p.m. to be in 113-degree heat; why not? My son Mark, friend Pete and I in the air-cooled Chevy® Silverado were headed to Vacation Inn along with new friends, the McClains! I met Gavin and his son Wyatt McClain when teaching a Hunter Education course with Gary Brennan in July 2019.

Gavin was so interested in what he could do for his son and the hunting industry, I was not going to miss my opportunity to pursue his intentions. I asked him if he and his family would like to join us for the hunt. "Wow, would we!" was the response. I have hunted this farm for 40-plus years and have been asked back every year. Over the years I have shared this opportunity with many individuals.



► **Gavin McClain**, his son Wyatt and friend Dustin show off their catch of the day.

## FIRST-TIME HUNTERS TO A FABULOUS PLACE

It's never too late to get started in a new direction. Gavin has hunted big game and duck for years, but this was his first time hunting dove. It was learning time for father and son. Dad is a darn good shot, harvesting two birds with one shot. We did not take photos of all our birds. One day, four of us took 60 birds. The bag included Mourning, White-Winged and Eurasian doves. The hunt provided an opportunity for lessons in what you hunt, game care and cooking. We topped the event off with a Famous Dave's® Texas Bar-B-Que. We headed back to the air-conditioned motel and cleaned all the birds leaving one feathered wing for transport. Don't forget that's the law!

Saving the best for last, I taught Gavin Hunter Safety 30 years ago, and now 30 years later, I taught his son Wyatt. What an honor to have trained and mentored two generations in my now pushing 50-plus years of teaching California's Hunters Education! **CRPA**

*Fletcher Diehl is an avid life-long hunter whose favorite past times are wildlife education and predator calling. He is a California Hunter Education Instructor of 50-plus years, instructing hunter safety, respect and stewardship to students of all ages. Fletcher is a Life Member of the California Rifle & Pistol Association.*



## CRPA IS PROUD TO BE A LEADING MEMBER OF THE CALIFORNIA HUNTING & CONSERVATION COALITION

California Hunting and Conservation Coalition (Coalition) members include all the major hunting and natural resource conservation groups in California. Coalition members are united to ensure a strong future for



wildlife conservation by protecting and expanding hunting and fishing opportunities throughout California and supporting wildlife

management decisions based on the North American Model of Wildlife Conservation. The Coalition works to make sure these decisions are based on the best available science and sound management strategies.

The Coalition's primary goal is to ensure that wildlife populations thrive in perpetuity and that our traditional hunting and fishing heritage will be guaranteed for all Californians, for generations to come.

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# THE CALIFORNIA HUNTING & CONSERVATION COALITION

# WHAT LIES AHEAD ...

**T**he California Hunting & Conservation Coalition (CHCC) is heading into its third year since its 25 members came together.

The CHCC includes California's most prominent conservation organizations (see Issue 1044, *California Firing Line*). The CHCC collectively represents many tens of thousands of concerned and involved individuals who support the CHCC's mission. As part of its growth in numbers and political influence, the CHCC now has a Mission Statement and unique logo. Bylaws are being developed, and officers will soon be elected.



**BY NICK VILLA**  
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## CHCC SUCCESSES

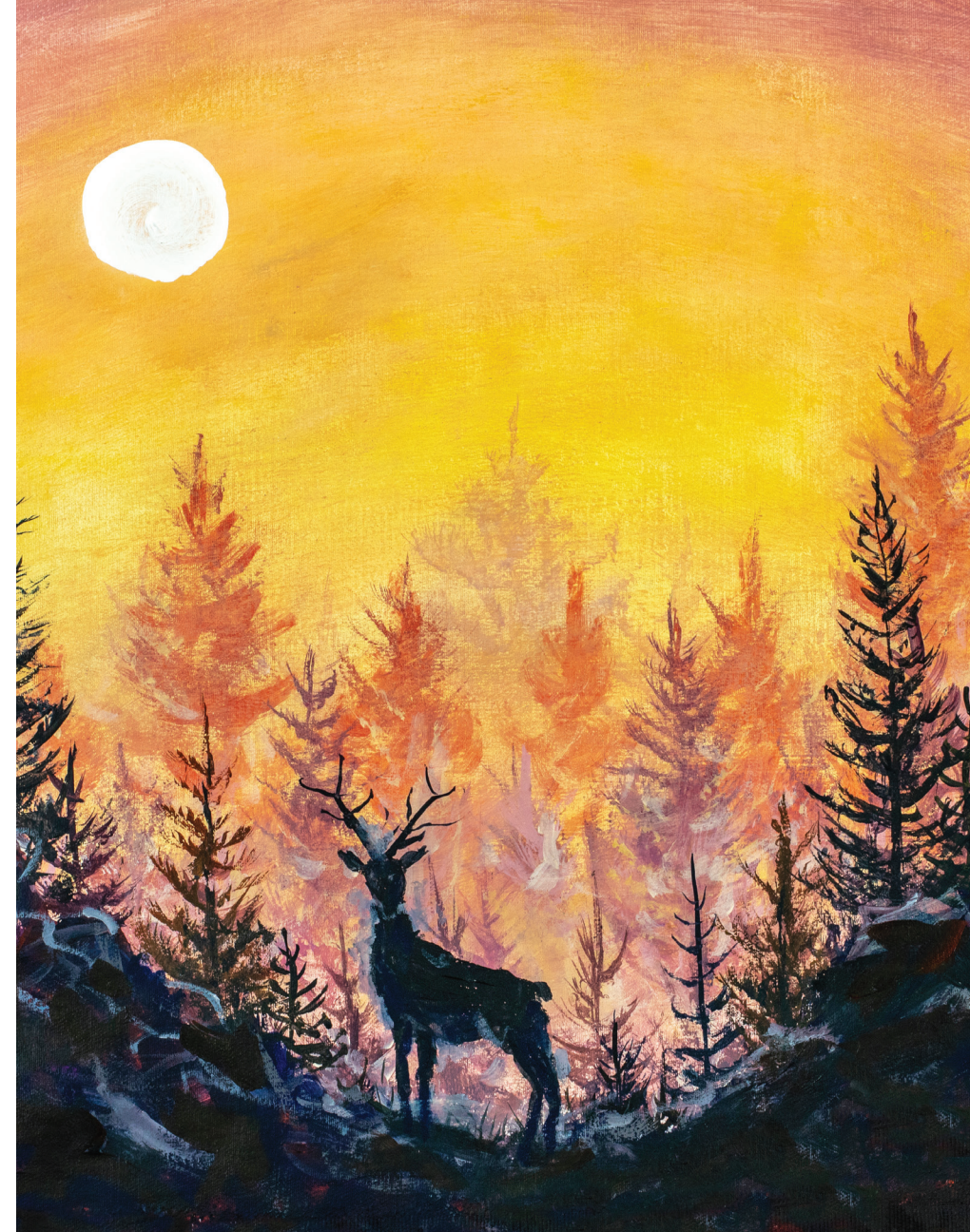
Since its founding, the CHCC pushed through AB 2151, a bill to

reduce the cost of big game tags for junior hunters. The CHCC helped to defeat AB 688, a bill that would have imposed new requirements on transporting firearms in vehicles. The CHCC supports the California Department of Fish and Wildlife's (CDFW) R3 Program (a program to recruit, retain and reactivate individuals to the hunting, fishing and shooting sports). The CHCC advocates for the authority of the California Fish and Game Commission as the primary agency and entity to manage our wildlife, fish and other renewable natural resources. More recently, the CHCC helped quash a petition that would have nullified a Commission action that repealed an unwarranted earlier decision to eliminate the use of GPS collars on dogs while hunting.

Some of the CHCC member groups lead by example and motivate other members to participate in the CHCC. For example, the California Waterfowl Association, under the leadership of Mark Hennelly, has seen some great successes. It was able to secure 5 extra days of duck

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organizations of  
your choice and be  
an active voice and  
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hunting at the end of the 2019/2020 season in most waterfowl zones; it helped to extend the Habitat Conservation Fund for 10 more years at \$30



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million per year, which helps fund waterfowl habitat enhancements in state wildlife areas; and it helped to secure additional fall water deliveries for the Lower Klamath National Wildlife Refuge. These actions directly benefit the hunter and the environment, and all actions are strongly supported by the CHCC.

Another example of member organizational leadership is our own CRPA, working, for example, with other conservation lobbyists like Mark Hennelly at California Waterfowl Association and Robert Miller at American Kennel Club. The

CRPA helped found the CHCC, and the CRPA legislative team led by Roy Griffith works in Sacramento to protect hunters' rights. The CHCC opposes and lobbies against some of the most onerous and dangerous gun control laws ever seen while promoting reasonable approaches to gun safety and gun ownership. Bill Gaines, of Gaines and Associates, also helped found the CHCC and has helped other CHCC member organizations support and put pressure where needed at the legislative level and at the California Fish and Game Commission.

## MORE ELK OPPORTUNITIES?

The CHCC will also oppose hostile actions and take a proactive approach to bring a more offensive game plan to protect hunters and conservation in California. This includes seeking more hunting opportunities whenever possible. For example, the Point Reyes National Seashore is experiencing an ever-growing overpopulation of tule elk that have encroached on the local dairy operations. The National Park Service is proposing to hire an independent or private contractor to shoot several elk each year to reduce the problem. The CRPA sees this as an opportunity to increase hunter access and is advocating a public hunter-based approach. Even with a half dozen additional tags available each year, this would greatly enhance opportunities for at-large, junior, disabled and special charitable or fundraising hunts. The CRPA will be asking the CHCC to join this effort.

## BEAR TROUBLE

Since the ban on the use of dogs for bear hunting, we have seen a dramatic drop in the number of bears harvested, while the number of problem bear encounters with humans has risen in urban and suburban environments. The CDFW sells approximately 27,000 bear tags annually while success rates have been around 4 percent or about 1,100–1,200 bears. The population of bears in the open zones is roughly between 30,000 and 40,000. Obviously, there is much opportunity and need to improve bear harvest; as such, the CHCC and its members will be working closely with both the CDFW and the Commission to determine non-legislative ways to make these improvements.

## THE CORE PRINCIPLES OF NAM

**P**roper ecological stewardship and natural resource management through hunting, trapping and strategic depredation efforts are critical components of maintaining ecological balance. Hunters and anglers provide the vast majority of funding for natural resource conservation efforts through license fees and federal excise taxes paid.

The traditional science-based and experience-proven North American Model (NAM) of Wildlife Conservation approach to natural resource management has been used to successfully maintain balanced population levels of diverse wildlife species for many decades. Consistent with NAM, hunters and anglers obey conservation regulations, adopt safe practices and adhere to a code of ethics.

Animal rights extremist groups that oppose hunting (see [humanewatch.org](http://humanewatch.org) and [huntfortruth.org](http://huntfortruth.org)) advocate abandoning the NAM in favor of an unbalanced and unscientific approach to species management that would deliberately make hunting unsustainable. These groups promote a model that would encourage predator species populations to explode. These unchecked predator populations would decimate game species and endanger suburban neighborhoods.

Through education, mentorship and example, CRPA supports and promotes the NAM. CRPA opposes the ongoing duplicitous efforts of animal rights extremist groups and fights the unscientific and unbalanced approach they advocate at the Capital, the California Fish and Game Commission and in the courtrooms!

- Wildlife belongs to the people and is held in the public trust. It is managed in trust for the people by government agencies.

- It is illegal to sell the meat of any wild animal in North America.

- Laws developed by people and enforced by government agencies ensure the proper use and conservation of wildlife resources.

- Every law-abiding citizen has the right and privilege to hunt and fish and should have the opportunity.

- Humans can legally kill certain wildlife for legitimate purposes under strict guidelines for food and fur, in self-defense or property protection. Laws are in place to restrict casual killing, killing for commercial purposes, wasting of game and mistreating wildlife.

- Because wildlife and fish freely migrate across boundaries between states, provinces and countries, they are considered an international resource.

- The best science available will be used as a basis for informed decision-making on wildlife management.

### CRPA LEADING IN 2020

In 2020, the CRPA will be asking the CHCC to join it and the Field of Dreams Foundation to provide more hunting opportunities for youth and disabled/terminally ill, revisiting an annual fishing license, advocating additional pig hunting in-lieu of depredation permits, use of shotguns for elk hunting, improvement of upland and wetland habitats and expanding target shooting sports.

Rumor has it that anti-gun groups will try to ban all semiautomatic rifles in California; which would obviously be a serious 2A infringement and an infringement on hunters who legally

and ethically use semiautomatic firearms for hunting. The CRPA will fight this with all it has.

The recently passed legislation that bans bobcat hunting has the anti-hunting groups feeling successful. They plan to ban all forms of hunting eventually, probably moving to bear hunting next. The CRPA will be working with the CHCC to put a stop to it.

At the time of this writing, none of the bills described here are confirmed; we will know more when your representatives are back in session after the first of the year. As the next state legislative session and upcoming Fish and Game Commis-

sion meetings and subcommittee meetings approach, the CHCC will continue to watch for actions that might affect your 2A rights and your right to hunt and shoot.

There are so many critical issues like these and many more that face the hunter and shooting enthusiasts. Do your part—become part of the solution and join all the conservation and shooting sport organizations of your choice and be an active voice and supporter of these noble efforts. It takes a monumental and collaborative effort to protect your rights and privileges. The CRPA and CHCC are there to lead the way. **CRPA**

# FULL STEAM AHEAD ON CALIFORNIA'S R3 PLAN IMPLEMENTATION

BY ROY GRIFFITH

**C**alifornia Department of Fish & Wildlife's (CDFW) Statewide R3 coordinator, Jen Benedet, recently shared a very promising update on the state's program.

Before I pass that on to you, I think a quick review is appropriate of what R3 is and how you have been involved through your membership and support of CRPA.

The Recruitment, Retention and Reactivation (R3) of hunters and anglers is a nationwide movement, focused on strategically increasing participation in hunting, angling and the shooting sports. The California R3 Program grew out of national R3 attention over the last decade, including research presented in the National Hunting and Shooting Sports Action Plan (2016) and a collaboration between the Council to Advance Hunting and the Shooting

Sports (CAHSS) and the Wildlife Management Institute.

The R3 movement encompasses a diverse range of actions from the hunting, fishing and conservation NGO stakeholders all at one table to come up with many solutions to slow and eventually change the trend of declining participation in hunting, angling and shooting sports. CRPA has been involved in these conversations since day one and has served on many committees as the program developed and moved forward. If you are interested in reviewing CDFW's complete R3 Action Plan enter "CDFW R3 Action Plan - Ca.gov" in your web browser.

Ms. Benedet would like to share these huge steps forward we have all made working together on the R3 front!

### WILD FOOD CAMPAIGN KICK OFF

CDFW kicked off the New Year with a pilot outreach campaign to non-traditional hunting and fishing

audiences around wild food and the locavore lifestyle called, "California's Wild Kitchen" at the Redding Health Expo. CDFW had several outreach and education materials that covered wild food obtained from hunting, fishing and foraging at the Expo. Attendees were asked to fill out a survey with their opinions about the materials and wild food and captured reactions around this new messaging. CDFW will build out an entire wild food campaign that will eventually be made available on the new California R3 web page ([wildlife.ca.gov/R3](http://wildlife.ca.gov/R3)) for all of us to use. Once these materials are finalized, Ms. Benedet will send the links out to us that we will share with you here and on our CRPA web page. The reaction from this non-traditional hunting and fishing audience was extremely positive. CDFW didn't receive one negative comment about hunting or fishing at the booth even though they talked a lot about both. People were excited, volunteered

**R3 is about creating mutually beneficial outcomes for the future of wildlife, public land, conservation, hunting, fishing and the shooting sports.**



to take the survey, asked when more information would be available and seemed genuinely interested in being recruited into the outdoors. Many people shared stories of their previous experiences with hunting and fishing as kids or hearing stories from older generations as they were growing up.

#### INTERNATIONAL SPORTSMEN'S EXPO (ISE) AND THE R3 EXPERIENCE

In January, CDFW, International Sportsmen's Expo (ISE) and R3 stakeholders with booths at the Expo piloted an event called, "The R3 Experience." ISE gave away 250 free tickets to people who have not held a hunting or fishing license since 2011 (recruitment

#### ► One of the nation's finest 2A attorneys in the battle,

Mr. Matt Cubeiro, proudly displays his first turkey. "Reactivation" and "Adult Onset Hunting" are two key components for R3 success in California. (ROY GRIFFITH)

and reactivation populations) but who are interested in learning about hunting, fishing and the shooting sports. These people were found by using targeted advertising on social media. The winners received a pair of tickets and a "First Steps to Hunting and Fishing Map" that led them throughout the show to stakeholder booths. These stakeholder booths were lightly prepped to catch new demographics. Participants got stops on the map signed off by each booth they visited in the following categories: Conservation and Education, Social Support, Technical Skills and Wild Food, and they then ended back at the CDFW R3 booth. At the final stop, they were asked to turn in their map, take a short survey and receive an outreach bag full of goodies and beginner information to continue involvement

after the show. The CDFW R3 Team will now track the participants over the next year or two to see if participation translated into hunting and fishing license purchases, hunter education sign-ups and other types of continued participation to determine success.

#### GOVERNOR'S BUDGET

The governor's proposed budget includes several budget increases for the Department of Fish and Wildlife. Some highlights include:

- A permanent extension of \$30 million General Fund for the Department of Fish and Wildlife currently set to expire in 2020-2021. These funds are necessary to support critical functions including conservation efforts, increase participation in hunting and fishing, connect more Californians to the outdoors and enhance services to the public.

- \$2.2 million ongoing General Fund and eight new positions to better care for more than one million acres of wildlife areas and ecological reserves owned and managed by the Department.

- \$7.5 million General Fund to modernize water conveyance systems to better manage wetlands, buffer against future climate scenarios, maximize benefits to wildlife and reduce staff maintenance costs.

- \$6.5 million General Fund to modernize hatchery facilities that build resilience against environmental stressors, provide greater operational reliability and improve fish survival.

- \$6 million General Fund to purchase a fixed wing aircraft to monitor species populations, identify declines that could lead to drastic effects on commercial and recreational fisheries and patrol impacts to species.

- \$4 million in ongoing General Fund and 16 positions to increase the scale and pace of restoration work

and incorporate efficiencies into grant programs.

#### STATEWIDE R3 IMPLEMENTATION STRATEGY: STATUS

The R3 Implementation Strategy, completed at the end of 2019, is in the final stages of CDFW executive review. Once approved, CDFW will start an internal rollout of the strategy. This rollout will include sending stakeholders a copy of the final document so that collaboration and implementation efforts can resume early this spring. CRPA has been very actively involved in this effort and will stay involved to see it to full implementation on all fronts: CDFW, the Fish and Game Commission and the Legislature. Remember, R3 is about creating mutually beneficial outcomes for the future of wildlife, public land, conservation, hunting, fishing and the shooting sports.

#### R3 WEB PAGE

The official California statewide R3 web page is live ([wildlife.ca.gov/R3](http://wildlife.ca.gov/R3)). There is a very beneficial, user-friendly, community R3 calendar on it that will serve as a catch-all for events related to hunting, fishing, the shooting sports, foraging and wild food. CRPA's events have been, and will continue to be, shared on this site. CDFW does advise to stay tuned; the web page will evolve over time to include more resources and information. If you have an idea for the web page, or you are involved in an organization that has events you feel should be on the web page, please email Ms. Benedet and let her know ([jennifer.benedet@wildlife.ca.gov](mailto:jennifer.benedet@wildlife.ca.gov)).

The California Rifle and Pistol Association recognizes Ms. Benedet for her continued dedication to the extremely important R3 cause and will continue to work with her and other NGOs involved in the effort to keep this train on the tracks! **CRPA**

# ROY'S WILD GAME SAUERBRATEN

**B**esides backstrap on an open oak fire, this has always been my son's wild game favorite. Perfect winter comfort food!

Just try not to smile when you are enjoying with friends and family. Over the years I have made this with deer, elk, bison and now bear! I embrace my 1/8 German heritage every time I make it! The recipe is easily doubled depending on the size of your roast and is best served with appropriate sides to complete the dish: red cabbage, spaetzle and gingersnap gravy ... Enjoy!



**BY ROY GRIFFITH**  
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(ROY GRIFFITH)

## SAUERBRATEN

- 2 1/2 cups water
- 1 tablespoon sugar
- 1 1/2 cups red wine vinegar
- 1 tablespoon salt
- 2 medium onions, sliced
- 1/4 teaspoon ground ginger
- 1/2 lemon, sliced
- 1 4-pound wild game rump roast
- 12 whole cloves
- 2 tablespoons lard
- 6 bay leaves
- 6 whole black peppercorns

## INSTRUCTIONS

1. In a large glass bowl or ceramic crock mix water, vinegar, onions, lemon, cloves, bay leaves, peppercorns, sugar, salt and ginger. Add roast, turning to coat.
2. Cover bowl with plastic wrap and refrigerate meat 36 to 48 hours, turn meat at least twice daily.
3. Remove meat from marinade, blot dry with paper towels. Strain as reserve marinade.
4. In Dutch oven brown meat in hot lard (I prefer home rendered lard from bacon or bear fat); add strained marinade.
5. Cover, simmer till meat is tender, about 2 hours.
6. Remove meat; reserve 1 1/2 cups pan juices for gingersnap gravy.



(ROY GRIFFITH)

## BRAISED RED CABBAGE WITH APPLES

1. Immerse briefly in bowl of cold water:

*1 small head red cabbage (about 2 pounds), quartered, cored and thinly sliced lengthwise*

*In large non-reactive Dutch oven or skillet, cook over low heat till fat is rendered:*

*2 slices bacon, diced or use 2 tablespoons butter or vegetable oil*

2. Add and cook over medium-low heat until golden:

*3 tablespoons finely chopped onions*

3. Remove cabbage from water, drain and add it to the pan along with:

*1 large peeled green apple, cored and cut into matchsticks*

*3 tablespoons red wine vinegar*

*2 tablespoons honey*

*1/4 teaspoon salt*

*1/8 teaspoon caraway seeds*

4. Cover the pan and cook over medium-low heat until cabbage is very soft, 1 to 1 1/2 hours, watch closely, adding boiling water if needed during cooking.



(ROY GRIFFITH)

## SPAETZLE

1. Mix 2 cups all-purpose flour and 1 teaspoon salt. Mix 2 eggs and 3/4 cup whole milk; stir into flour mixture.

2. Place dough in course-sieved (1/4-inch holes) colander. (I made my own that actually works better than a commercial spaetzle press by drilling 3/4-inch holes in the bottom of a soup or bean can. Then using the old can top as a plunger!)

3. Hold over large pot of salted boiling water. Press dough through colander to form spaetzle.

4. Cook and stir five minutes, drain. Mix 1/2 cup fine dry breadcrumbs and 1/4 cup butter melted.

5. Spoon over spaetzle to keep from sticking.

## GINGERSNAP GRAVY

In small saucepan combine the reserve pan juices and 1/2 cup water, add 2/3 cup crushed gingersnaps. Cook over medium to low heat, stirring constantly till thick and bubbly.



# GUN CONTROL IN THE THIRD REICH: DISARMING THE JEWS AND "ENEMIES OF THE STATE"

BY STEPHEN P. HALBROOK

Based on newly discovered, secret documents from German archives, diaries and newspapers of the time, *Gun Control in the Third Reich* presents the definitive history of how Nazis used gun control to disarm and repress its enemies and consolidate power. Countless books on the Third Reich and the Holocaust fail to mention the laws restricting firearms ownership, which rendered political opponents and Jews defenseless. A skeptic could surmise that a better-armed populace might have made no difference, but the National Socialists did not think so—they ruthlessly suppressed firearm ownership by disfavored groups.

*Gun Control in the Third Reich* spans the two decades from the birth of the Weimar Republic in 1918 through Kristallnacht in 1938 and presents a panorama of key events during World War II regarding the effects of the disarming policies. Even though in the occupied countries

the Nazis decreed the death penalty for firearm possession, there developed instances of heroic armed resistance by Jews, particularly the Warsaw ghetto uprising.

"Halbrook's meticulous research in *Gun Control in the Third Reich* sheds new and revealing light on the consolidation of Nazi power and the prosecution of the Holocaust. Everyone, including advocates of gun controls, should find this pioneering and thought-provoking book essential reading." — James B. Jacobs, Warren E. Burger Professor of Law, New York University

"*Gun Control in the Third Reich*, Stephen Halbrook's excellent history of gun control in Germany, shows that, motives notwithstanding, removing weapons from the general population always disarms society *vis a vis* its worst elements." — Angelo M. Codevilla, Professor Emeritus of International Relations, Boston University

"*Gun Control in the Third Reich*, Stephen Halbrook's extensively documented

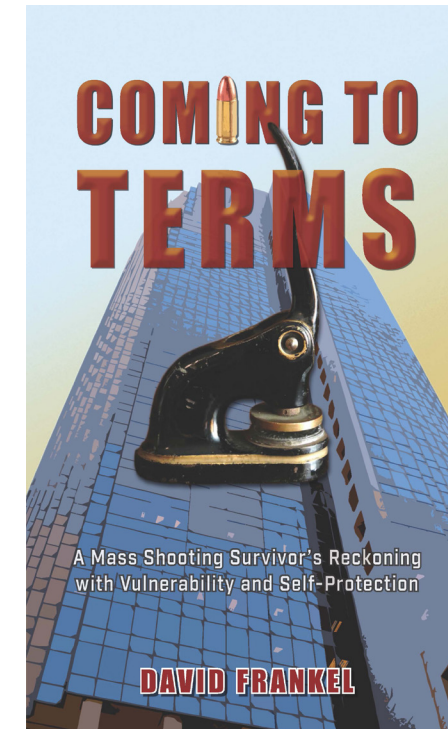


account of gun control under Nazi Germany, shows how gun control was used to keep guns out of the 'wrong' hands, mainly Jews ... . Americans in modern cities such as New York can see how discretionary licensing on who can own guns keeps blacks from owning guns, but Germany paints a picture of how discretion was used to disarm Jews and others." — John R. Lott, Jr., author, *More Guns, Less Crime* **CRPA**

# COMING TO TERMS: A MASS SHOOTING SURVIVOR'S STORY

BY DAVID FRANKEL

At 2:57 p.m. on July 1, 1993, a 55-year-old failed entrepreneur entered the 101 California Street office building in San Francisco and made his way to the offices of the law firm of Pettit & Martin on the 34th floor. He had three handguns with him. He got off the elevator, put in some ear plugs and opened fire on anyone he saw. The gunman's reasons for targeting the firm remain largely unknown. David Frankel, a young corporate lawyer, was there that day, working on closing a business deal. As he worked with the lawyers on the other side of the deal to "come to terms" on the contract memorializing their agreement, he learned of the shooter and did what he could to survive. He hid in a small concealed alcove and frantically tried to find a weapon to defend himself. The best he could find was a heavy corporate embosser "seal" that he hoped to



use as a bludgeon if the killer found him. After roaming the 34th floor, the shooter moved down one floor through an internal staircase and

kept shooting.

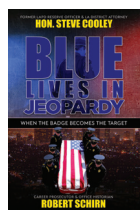
The attack continued on several floors before the shooter committed suicide as San Francisco Police closed in. Eight people were killed in the attack, and six others were injured.

*Coming to Terms* is the story of David Frankel's post-traumatic, stressful journey from victim, to survivor, to gun control advocate, to self-defense and gun rights advocate. It is a journey filled with fear of being a victim, false hope in government, acceptance of vulnerability, reflection on the inability of laws to keep one safe and ultimately acceptance of personal responsibility for one's own safety. In short, David tells the story of his post-incident intellectual and emotional reckoning and of his coming to terms with these realities. **CRPA**

## BLUE LIVES IN JEOPARDY

BY STEVE COOLEY AND ROBERT SCHIRN

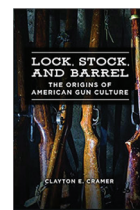
Former LAPD Reserve Officer and District Attorney for LA County, Steve Cooley, joins co-author and career prosecutor, Bob Schirn, to give readers a real, uncensored look into the dangers of policing and the ongoing war on law enforcement.



## LOCK, STOCK, AND BARREL: The Origins of American Gun Culture

BY CLAYTON E. CRAMER

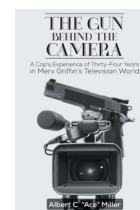
How far back does American gun culture go? How has it developed over time? What astonishing effect has it had in creating the modern world?



## THE GUN BEHIND THE CAMERA: A Cop's Experience of Thirty-Four Years in Merv Griffin's Television World

BY AL MILLER

This book takes readers on a journey through an ex-cop's and marine's career in the entertainment industry protecting high-profile celebrities.



## THANK YOU FOR MY SERVICE

BY MAT BEST

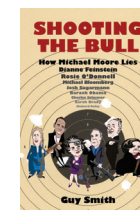
The unapologetic, laugh-your-ass-off military memoir both vets and civilians have been waiting for, from a five-tour Army Ranger turned YouTube phenomenon and zealous advocate for veterans. Mat Best's personal memoir takes readers into the action and its aftermath, both abroad and at home.



## SHOOTING THE BULL

BY GUY SMITH

Shooting the Bull catalogs modern propaganda techniques using the gun control industry as both a case study and whipping boy. Shooting the Bull gives the reader the ability to spot buncombe in real-time.



## THE THIRD BULLET

BY STEPHEN HUNTER

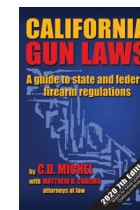
Ex-Marine sniper Bob Lee Swagger traces the events of November 22, 1963, and the third bullet that decisively ended the life of John F. Kennedy setting the stage for one of the most enduring controversies of our time.



## CALIFORNIA GUN LAWS: A Guide To State And Federal Firearm Regulations

BY C.D. MICHEL

California Gun Laws: A Guide to State and Federal Firearm Regulations is the 2020 Seventh Edition and answers the most frequently asked questions about California firearms laws based on C.D. Michel's 25 years' experience. Available at **CRPA.org**



## #DUPED: How the Anti-gun Lobby Exploits the Parkland School Shooting—and How Gun Owners Can Fight Back

BY MARK W. SMITH

Smith reveals how young people are exploited for political gain to short-circuit any legitimate debate depriving law-abiding Americans of their right to bear arms and provides guidelines on debunking gun-grabber myths. Available at **CRPA.org**



# CANDIDATE BIOS



## GARY BRENNAN

Gary is a Life member of CRPA. He is lifelong hunter, hunting in numerous states on both coasts and Hawaii. Gary retired from a 25-year Naval Officer career in California in 2002 and became a State Park Ranger working in the Santa Cruz Mountains until 2014. He left State Parks in 2014 and moved to SD County. He worked as a Bio Science Tech for USDA/APHIS-Wildlife Services eradicating feral pigs in SD County and now works as a firearms and seamanship instructor for a maritime training facility in San Diego. Gary has been a Master Hunter Ed Instructor for many years and has been teaching Hunter Ed for 20+ years. He is the President of the SD County Wildlife Federation and a member of the CA Hunting and Conservation Coalition. He has contributed stories to the *California Firing Line* magazine and is a contributing writer for the International Hunter Ed Association's *IHEA Journal*. He is a plaintiff in the CRPA case *Rhode v. Becerra*.



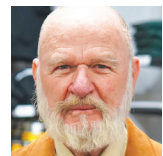
## BUZZ LAWRENCE

Buzz possesses a passion for firearm safety and desires to become a Director with the CRPA to further his goals in preventing firearm accidents. He maintains Life memberships with CRPA, NRA and USPSA. Buzz's credentials include 25 years of training in safe firearm handling; currently serving as an NRA instructor in Home Defense, Pistol, Shotgun and Rifle along with the "Refuse to be a Victim" program and is an NRA Certified Range Officer. Buzz started his career with a security guard training company along with being a CA Hunter Safety Certified Instructor and went on to become a DOJ Firearm Certificate Instructor since the inception of the first Safety Card Program. Currently Buzz is involved with the CA FSC Program, training gun store owners and employees to qualify as FSC state instructors. Buzz feels that his history in training with the support of the CRPA will provide a positive direction in reaching his goal to educate men, women and children in safe firearm ownership to prevent firearm accidents.



## DENNIS OSTLER

A current CRPA Board of Directors and Life member, Dennis has been a competitor and supporter of the shooting sports in California for 30 years. His latest interests are in Lever Action Silhouette Rifle as well as all other forms of Silhouette shooting. He has competed in local, state, regional, national and international shooting competitions. He is a Life member of the Los Angeles Silhouette Club, where he enjoys promoting and supporting a family-safe and enjoyable place for Silhouette pistol and rifle shooting sports. A lifelong tinkerer, he enjoys reloading and creating wildcat calibers, as well as being a closet gunsmith.



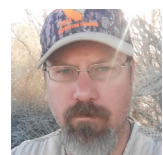
## RALPH "RICK" ROGERS

Rick has been a CRPA Life member for 6 years and in 2019 became one of our first CRPA Patriot Life members. He is a very active CRPA volunteer, with well over 100 hours of service. He is the past President, Vice President and current Treasurer of the California Airgun Shooters Association. Rick is also a California State Field Target Spring Piston Champion and Western Regional State Champion. Rick is currently working as a firearms instructor with Boy Scouts of America.



## DEREK SCHULLER

Derek currently serves on the CRPA Board of Directors and various committees. He grew up around firearms, hunting and fishing. His grandfather had a ranch where Derek liked playing with his .22 and .410. He enjoys shooting, archery, fishing and hunting. He earned his 4th degree black belt in Kempo Karate a few years ago. Very interested in politics, especially regarding gun control, he graduated from Cal State University Northridge with a degree in Political Science. Derek has been a member of the NRA and CRPA since his early 20s and looks forward to continuing to serve the organization through board service.



## JIM WHITE

Jim is an Eagle Scout and CA native. He is a Life member of CRPA and Benefactor Life member of NRA. He is a 27-year NRA-certified Rifle, Shotgun and Pistol Instructor, former Muzzleloader Rifle Instructor and RSO, originally to run a Boy Scout shooting sports program on Catalina Island for 3 years and continuing to volunteer for Boy Scout programs. After 15 years as President of Temple City Sportsmen, Jim accepted the club Secretary position and publishes *Bullet-In*, the monthly club newsletter. Jim works to increase and improve TCS shooting events, introducing monthly social shotgun and pistol shoots. Jim recruited and leads a team of eight Hunter Educators in the SGV and currently serves on multiple CRPA program support committees. He looks forward to continuing to serve CRPA, to protect our constitutional rights and promote safe hunting and recreational shooting opportunities.

# 2020 CRPA ELECTION BALLOT

Each adult dues-paying CRPA member (except as noted below) is entitled to vote for the candidates appearing on this election ballot. If elected, the candidate will serve on CRPA's Board of Directors for a term of 3 years if they are current Board members, and 1 year if they are new applicants.

The following membership classes are NOT eligible to vote: Junior, Temporary and VIP members. Club and Business members only receive one vote per Club or Business, notwithstanding any individual CRPA members within the Club or Business that may cast their ballot in their individual capacity.

Important Voting Information:

**1)** Ballots must be postmarked no later than **March 18, 2020**. Ballots may be mailed to 271 E. Imperial Highway, Suite 620, Fullerton, CA 92835.

**2)** This official ballot must be returned to the address above. A copy of this page is acceptable and must be mailed to the address above, faxed to (714) 992-2996 or emailed to: [membership@crpa.org](mailto:membership@crpa.org) by the deadline.

## POSITION OF DIRECTOR AT LARGE (Choose up to 3)

- Gary Brennan
- Buzz Lawrence
- Dennis Ostler
- Ralph "Rick" Rogers
- Derek Schuller
- Jim White

**Information below is required for ballot to be valid.**

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