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KICKING AND SCREAMING

ANTI-GUNNERS LASH OUT IN DEFIANCE OF PRO-2A BRUEN RULING

BY CHUCK MICHEL CRPA PRESIDENT & GENERAL COUNSEL

ast month, I discussed the BLUE REBELLION that Governor Newsom and his cronies in the California legislature had launched in defiance of the Supreme Court's recent Bruen decision.

That rebellion here in California is only one front in the greater national battle, and we can get a preview of what the State will argue in CRPA's Second Amendment cases by looking at what is going on in 2A cases around the country. While CRPA lawyers always monitor how cases are developing in other jurisdictions, they are following outside cases more closely than ever to see the early patterns in the arguments antigun states are making. That way, CRPA can be ready to



respond to those arguments when they are made in our cases.

What we have seen so far, both in California and elsewhere, tells us that antigun politicians have no intention of applying the Bruen standard in good faith. For one, they will argue desperately that the Second Amend-

ment does not even apply to their laws. Colorado is making exactly this argument in Gates v. Polis, a case challenging Colorado's magazine capacity law, in which they argue that because magazines are "accessories, not arms", and therefore Bruen and the Second Amendment does not apply. By that

MEMBERS' VOICES

Letters from Our Readers

Most residents (me included) in California will be receiving a "gas tax/inflation relief" refund sanctioned by Governor Newsom. To help in the fight to recover our lost Second Amendment rights resulting from Newsom's draconian laws, I will be donating my refund to CRPA. I have been a life member since 2018 and donate regularly. I'm a senior and can remember a time before California started infringing on our God given Second Amendment rights. Most people younger than me have likely never experienced the freedoms I remember. It may be difficult for some of the younger generations to understand what they are missing if they have never experienced it to start with. Fortunately, I do and it's troubling. I want my children and grandchildren to experience the same freedoms I had. I will do all I can to restore the rights we've lost.

I know the only way to restore our rights is through aggressive and persistent court battles. I know they will be expensive. In fact, Newsom's strategy is to make it so expensive that just we give up. That's not going to happen. What better way to fight than using the money handed out by Newsom to fight against him. To help with the fight I'm donating my refund to CRPA. I would like to see others do the same, to the extent they can. So how do we do that? I regularly attend chapter meetings and encourage attendees to join me. So, beyond that, how can we reach out to all CRPA members and plant the seed and get them thinking about donating their refunds to CRPA?

— CRPA Life Member

Well, that's a greatly appreciated donation, and a great suggestion. Put Newsom's "buy a vote" money back to work against his destructive agenda. Thank you!

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nonsensical logic, most modern semiautomatic firearms could be restricted to a single shot capacity, as their magazines of any capacity are mere "accessories"!

Second, because *Bruen* requires that modern gun laws be supported by historic analogues, antigun states commonly make up their own history and facts. For instance, in order to establish a historical comparison for why modern rifles can be restricted, California is arguing in a case concerning its assault weapons ban that there were "few documented instances" of possession of repeating rifles among civilians in the 19th Century. In fact, though, sales of even just Winchester Rifles alone were huge at the time. The Model 1873 was particularly successful and was marketed as "The Gun That Won the West."

California is also not above complete fabrication. Throughout its briefing, California claims "dangerous or unusual" weapons can be banned. Of course, the actual quote from the Supreme Court refers to "dangerous and unusual" weapons. There's a big difference between conjunctive and disjunctive in the law – something taught early and often in law school.

Similarly, in a lawsuit challenging New York's new restrictions on where lawful carry can be restricted, NY state is arguing that the Supreme Court gave them the ability to ban carry on all public property. The Supreme Court's language was actually far more limited, referring to "schools and government buildings."

Perhaps most abhorrent in the various government briefs is the reliance on racist laws of the past as a point of historical comparison. New York, California, and even the Biden administration have argued historic gun possession bans on Catholics, Native Americans, and free African Americans justify their current laws banning certain classes from firearm possession. The Supreme Court's ruling was clear that racist laws of the past are not valid historical analogues to justify current laws.

These are just a few examples of the trends CRPA lawyers are seeing in the antigun states as they try and find ways to limit or defy the *Bruen* ruling.

When the time comes to rebut such arguments in CRPA cases, we will be ready. Please support CRPA's efforts.

Chuck

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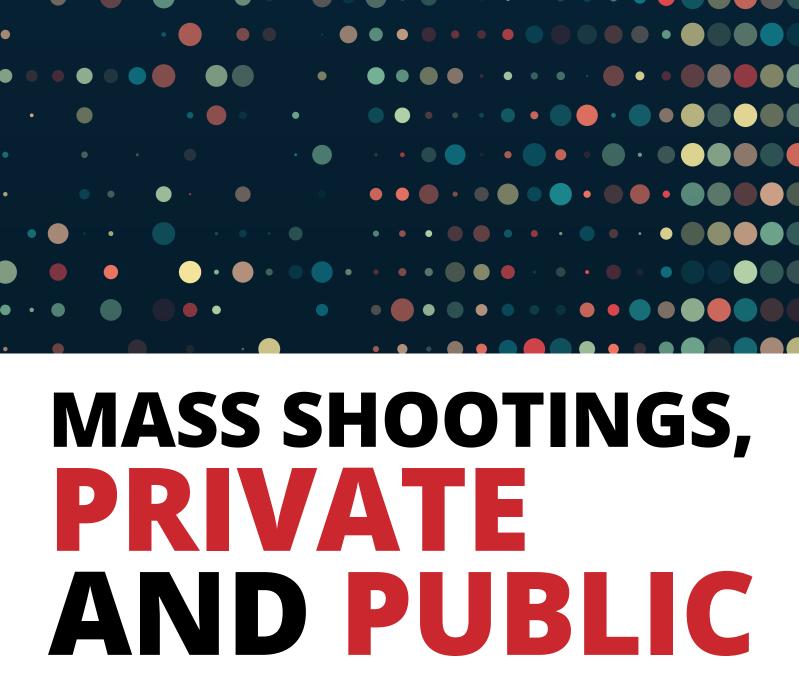
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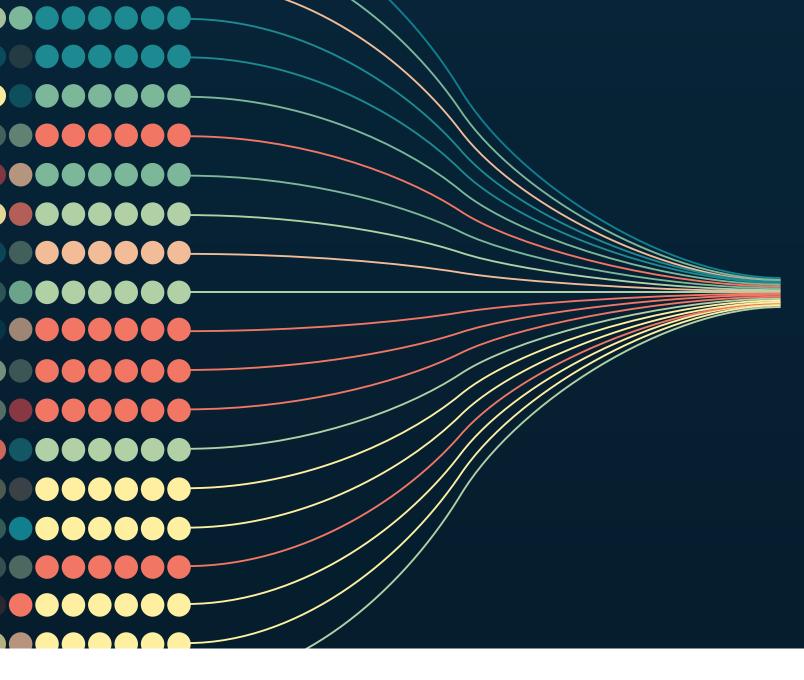
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ven sullied terms can be **analyzed.** We came across a quality study that looks at "mass [not-just-public] shootings" and paints a not-quite-alarming story.

MAIN TAKE-AWAYS

As defined more broadly herein: Mass shootings are not steadily increasing and are decreasing as a function of population.

Most mass shootings are in private residences and are "family related."

Assault weapons are a minority share of guns used.

A third of assailants had mental health issues, higher than the general population but lower than the general public.

PUBLIC AND NON-PUBLIC

The term "mass public shooting" has had a multi-decade, criminology-derived definition (4+ dead, not including the perp, in a single public place). These events, tragic as they are, are very rare; and in terms of dead people, they account for a fraction of a fraction of gun homicides

each year.

This fact has proved so inconvenient to some activist groups (including some activist media) that they started inventing their own definition of "mass shooting" - notice the omission of the word "public"- for they would have been virtually pilloried if they had used the full phrase.

"Mass shooting," as opposed to "mass public shooting," had no fixed criminology definition... until now. A new paper circulated by the federal government, A Comprehensive Assessment of Deadly Mass Shootings, 1980-2018 - Turanovic, Pratt,

Neville, La Tosa - 2022, studied all mass shootings, public and non-public, using a standardized definition (4+ dead, not including the perpetrator, within a 24-hour period). This definition might reduce the unintentional confusion the public has about "mass shootings," though we fear it will not reduce the intentional confusion.

THE INTERESTING BITS

The first (and perhaps most enlightening) conclusion is, "There are no stark increases or decreases in the frequency of deadly mass shooting incidents (overall)."

We ground some numbers and were surprised by the slope of increase and decrease, in some of the circumstances. Total mass shootings are going upwards at an anemic rate of +0.1 (slope of line), felony related events are going down by -0.1, and mass public shootings (e.g., Sandy Hook, Las Vegas, etc.) are rising +0.1.

The troubling bit is that family shootings where four or more people die is going up at a slope rate of +0.3, the highest category and three times that of all instances. There may be a bit of insight into the "why" of that later on, but for now our observation is that things are not really getting worse because even though the number of instances rose 11% (first five years, and last five years of

The correct divisor to use for family-related mass shootings is the number of households in the USA (as opposed to the number of people) because families inhabit households.

the study averaged) the American population rose 44%.

Looked at differently, the rate of mass shootings per one million people in the country dropped from a five-year average of 0.08 to 0.06, a drop of 33%. For the statistical junkies, there is an R2 value of 0.12, a correlation too weak to entertain.

The issue is that most "family-related" mass shootings occur on private

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property, not in public. Hence, the correct divisor to use for family-related mass shootings is the number of households in the USA (as opposed to the number of people) because families inhabit households. Between 1980 and 2018, the number of households went up 58% to meet the 44% increase in the population. But the number of family-related mass shootings "only" went up 5% in the



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same span. That being said, the R2 correlation (where zero is no correlation and one is perfect correlation) is 0.4, which is significant. Summarized more simply, family mass shootings do rise with the number of households, but at a slower rate (some of this may be due to the aging population and the number of "grandparent-only households," but we are not doing that deep dive today).

The other problem is that this rising rate is both a twenty-first-century problem and a "spikey data" one. Years 2008 thru 2011 had significantly higher family-related mass shootings than in previous or subsequent years. These were the years of the "Great recession" unemployment gloom in the wake of the 2008 subprime housing bust. It is not irrational to think that disrupted households (mortgages foreclosed, jobs lost, etc.) led to higher rates of family violence.

This is the case. When we exclude those spikey recession years, the R2 for family mass shootings drops from 0.3 to 0.06. In short, the rate of family mass shootings doesn't rise when we remove the data during global economic crisis.

THE CHILDREN

The most interesting (and in a way obvious) statement in the paper is, "Most of the victims of deadly mass shootings that are excluded from existing [mass PUBLIC shooting] research and dialogue are women and children, and individuals killed in high-crime communities." As we see, there is skewing of mass shooting in family circumstances.

For all years 1980 through 2018, 65.3% of mass shootings occurred in private residences, but only 41.3% were family-related. Though falling, the overall rate of felony-related mass shootings was 33.5%. Given the

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nature of inner-city gang life, drug use, gang associations, et cetera, it is reasonable to assume that a significant number of residential mass shootings were due to felony circumstances. Women and children trapped in these neighborhoods or living gang-related lifestyles are part of the victim body count for in-residence mass shootings.

MISCELLANEOUS DATA

Some other data points worth pondering from this report:

46% of mass shooters had a history of violence, 45% had prior arrest records, and 34% had mental health issues.

72% of the time, a handgun was used, whereas rifles (including "assault weapons") accounted for 20%.

The number of mass shootings is not controlled by urbanization, with urban shootings being 31%, suburban 40% and rural 30% (rounded, so they don't add squarely to 100%). That said, "suburban" includes "metro fringe" areas which also have high street gang penetration rates.

70% of perpetrators "underwent recent stress or crisis." Connect this fact to family-related mass shootings and the Great recession effect, and we see some interesting likely covariances.

Only 17% communicated any intent for killing anyone, which makes sense if most mass shootings are in-residence, family-related reactions to stress and crisis.

MORE TO COME?

We have reached out to the authors, and with luck they will share the entire database with us, which would give us some juicy multivariate correlation studies to make.

For now, any activist organization that is claiming a crisis of growing mass shootings simply doesn't know what they are talking about, because, as is their practice, they do not use gold-standard data or perform rigorous analysis.

Let's contrast this. Many of these activists rely on the Gun Violence Archive, which is largely a crowdsourced database from news reports back to 2013 (given that all U.S. major news organizations had a web presence by 1996, a cutoff year of 2013 seems odd). As the authors of this paper note:

The Gun Violence Archive uses an incorrect definition of mass shooting ("four or more shot and/or killed in a single event (incident), at the same general time and location, not including the shooter").

"The Gun Violence Archive drew exclusively from early reports that emerged immediately after the crime, which did not always contain correct or complete information on victim count or weapon types."

We'll also note that, at least early on, they did not correct early info as the news stories developed.

The authors of this paper correlated data from multiple sources (see below) and validated each using additional resources, such as filing public record requests to clarify details.

For now, in terms of "mass shootings" in total, this is the gold standard data.

- FBI Supplemental Homicide Reports
 - FBI Active Shooter Reports

- Florida Homicide Reports
- Supplemental State Homicide Data (Arkansas, California, Colorado, Nevada, Ohio, Virginia, Kansas)
- Associated Press/USA Today/ Northeastern University Mass Killing Database
- The Violence Project Mass **Shooter Database**
- Mother Jones Mass Shootings Database
 - Gun Violence Archive
 - Mass Shooting Tracker
 - Everytown for Gun Safety
- Mass Shootings in America Stanford Geospatial Center
- K-12 School Shooting Database - Naval Postgraduate School Center for Homeland Defense and Security
- U.S. Secret Service Mass Attacks in Public Spaces Reports

- Final Report and Findings of the Safe Schools Initiative - U.S. Secret Service and Department of Education
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- Mass Murder with Firearms: Incidents and Victims, 1999-2013 -Congressional Research Service
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alifornia politicians are abusing their legislative authority to draft political reprisal bills.

Left coast lawmakers want to pass a law allowing the state's attorney general, city or county attorneys, or anyone regardless of whether they suffered harm, to sue the maker or seller of a firearm that was illegally used to inflict harm.

It's a bill that California's Democratic Gov. Gavin Newsom called for and one that Democratic state Sen. Robert Hertzberg was glad to deliver with SB 1327. It specifically targets precursor parts used to build personally-made firearms - or so-called "ghost guns" - and Modern Sporting Rifles (MSRs) along with .50-caliber rifles, both of which are already banned in California.

Gov. Newsom admitted this legislation was a form of political reprisal. Worse yet, this bill attempts to open the floodgates against the firearm industry simply because he despises the industry that provides the means for

law-abiding citizens to exercise their Second Amendment rights.

The frustrating part is that Gov. Newsom and his gun control allies in California's legislature are openly mocking their own voters. They're using the authority granted to them by voters to abuse the legislative process to score cheap political points with their special-interest gun control donors. They know they can get away with it, too. Elected officials operate under qualified immunity that protects them from civil lawsuits.

So, when President Joe Biden bellows from the White House Rose Garden about wanting to repeal the Protection of Lawful Commerce in Arms Act (PLCAA), which bars these frivolous lawsuits against firearm businesses for the criminal actions of non-associated third parties, he purposefully misleads the American public. Politicians can't be sued for the harmful laws they write. But what if they could be sued?

CRIME VICTIMS

What if crime victims could sue Gov. Newsom, or even President Biden, for failing to enforce the laws that protect communities?

The question is relevant, especially in California. District Attorney George Gascón has drawn the ire of law enforcement and citizens alike for his soft-on-crime approach to even violent criminal offenders. Convicted gang member Luis Angel Hernandez bragged he was going to have Gascón's name tattooed to his face for his lenient sentencing policies, after he was charged with shooting and killing a delivery driver in a 2018 armed robbery. Gascón is facing a recall from voters with 300,000 of the required 567,000 signatures with more than two months left before the deadline. A full 98 percent of Los Angeles prosecutors support this recall, according to



▶ Beverly Hills, CA: June 28, 2022: A recall George Gascon sign, the District Attorney of the County of Los Angeles. The power of the recall is a power California voters have. (SHUTTERSTOCK)

the Los Angeles Association of Deputy District Attorneys (LAADDA).

The worst outcome for Gascón is he's out of a job. But what if victims of crimes could sue Gascón for the damages they suffered because of his inactions?

FIREARM INDUSTRY

What if business owners or corporations could sue lawmakers for intentionally maligning, harming, or enacting laws that do irreparable damage to their ability to conduct business? What if those businesses, like the firearm industry, were constitutionally-protected and politicians like Gov. Newsom intentionally ignored that to drive those companies out of business?

Gun makers and retailers would have a case against California for the

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state's Unsafe Handgun Roster that sets in motion a slow-rolling handgun ban. The law was first enacted in 2001 and required handguns be certified for three specific safety requirements. In 2013, that requirement was updated to include all semiautomatic handguns to have microstamping technology built into any firearm brought to market. That's winnowed down the number of handguns available for Californians from 967 models when the

law was implemented by then-Attorney General Kamala Harris to less than 250 when same models with different paint schemes are taken into account.

Since microstamping is technologically unfeasible, this is a law specifically enacted to deprive firearm businesses their ability to sell a lawfully-made and Constitutionally-protected product. A similar argument could be made for California's ban on traditional hunting ammunition.

State lawmakers are enacting these laws as a means of reprisal against the firearm industry. They know the requirements for microstamping are unachievable and the ban on hunting ammunition throughout the state is devoid of justifying scientific data. It's a way of making it increasingly difficult to serve California customers.

GUN OWNERS

What about gun owners left defenseless against criminal home invaders because of intentionally discriminatory laws depriving them of their right to keep and bear arms? California lawmakers banned adults under the age of 21 from purchasing any firearm, without meeting strict exceptions. That enacts an age-based gun ban for adults over 18 who are fully-vested in their civil rights – except for their right to lawfully purchase a firearm.

Fredrick Wesley was recently arrested in Stockton, California, for a home invasion which left one adult dead and another wounded. Inside the home were three children, ages 10, 12 and 9, as well as an 18-year-old. California law bars that 18-year-old from purchasing a firearm to protect himself and his family. California lawmakers won't have to answer to that 18-year-old for denying him the ability to protect his family. They also won't have to pay for damages inflicted on this family since they are protected by qualified immunity. The same qualified immunity these liberal politicians want to strip away from police officers.

California's lawmakers aren't held accountable for wielding their legislative and executive authority, no matter how harmful it is to their own citizens. If they could be dragged into court and made to answer for their specious laws, they might not be so quick to weaponize their authority against the firearm industry and Californians.



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- How must a gun be possessed?
- When can you use deadly force?
- Where can you have a gun



- Which guns are banned?
- When can you have a gun?
- Who can possess a gun?

Do you know what California law requires gun owners to do in 2022? If you're not sure, as these laws change each year, you might become an accidental criminal. *California Gun Laws* explains all the relevant gun laws, including the new ones:

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- Restricting the sale of firearm precursor parts
- Changing the definition of "valid and unexpired hunting license"
- Changing the protocol when a firearm seller can't retake possession

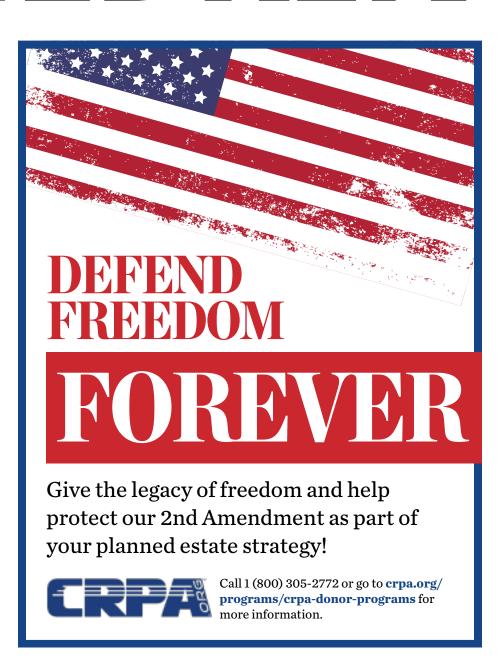
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THE CALIFORNIA LEGISLATURE HATES CHILDREN

BY DANIEL L. ORR II, DDS, MS, PHD, JD, MD

ith the logically inexplicable threat of banning children from learning about the safe and responsible use of firearms. California has demonstrated their disdain for kids, along with the Constitution and the Bill of Rights, of course. Fortunately, if kids today are anything like those of prior generations, telling them they cannot do something is probably the best motivator to get them to seriously explore the subject at hand. I think my mom used to call that tactic "reverse psychology."

Born in 1950, I did not have to resort to psychological ploys to cultivate and appreciation of firearms. I had a Davy Crocket faux raccoon hat and a cap pistol on my hip before I received, at age eight, a Daisy BB gun from a family friend. A friend of my dad's, he lived a couple of blocks from Disneyland, which actually was the "Happiest Place on Earth", until it got woke and eliminated the shooting gallery in Frontierland and common sense everywhere else.





After joining the Cub Scouts, and then the Boy Scouts, I received a subscription to Boys' Life. Every month there was an advertisement in the magazine soliciting sales kids to sell things like Christmas cards. Prizes were offered to budding entrepreneurs, and the one I was most interested in was a bolt action Marlin .22, which was quickly earned. I remember "sharing" my .22 in school and loving to plink in the Whittier Hills. By the time I was in high school, I also owned a Hi-Standard .22 semi-auto pistol. I bought a car as a senior and used to keep the .22's in the trunk and go shooting in the Hills after school with high school friends.

While a Scout, I earned the marksmanship merit badge, which is no longer available. But my five sons have all earned both rifle shooting and shotgun shooting, to say nothing about archery (is that banned in California yet?), merit badges. My dad was an Eagle Scout, as are four of my five sons and I am confident #5 will earn that honor, too. One year while at summer camp, one of my sons was in charge of the pool and the other was in charge of the shooting facility, both very responsible positions (and both under immediate adult supervision, including certified NRA instructors at the range).

My four daughters shoot too, if they want to, just like the boys. Yes, that is nine kids altogether, crazy and expensive certainly, but also very entertaining.

As a volunteer doctor with the coroner's office, I was able to matriculate into sniper school with a northern California law enforcement agency. Part of the reason I wanted that experience

and credential is that, as a surgeon, I treat gunshot wounds annually when on trauma call after training for those procedures at LA County/USC/Medical Center in the 1970's. Yes, bad people will always find a way to obtain guns. That is, of course, a main reason good individuals also need access to firearms. Even hypocritical, anti-self-defense political ideologists understand this as they surround themselves with full-auto armed bodyguards while trying to deny the rest of us a measure of self-protection.

I loved growing up in California, going to the mountains, deserts, and beaches, even the Wedge on injudicious days. But, like so very many others, I now live elsewhere. I saw the political devolution building in the late 1970's and was newly domiciled elsewhere by 1980, thank heavens. Nowadays, I avoid going to the Republic if at all possible, which saddens me when I think of the much better, by any measure, state I was raised in. God bless the CRPA for staying the course at ground zero.

As someone trying to maintain a strong faith, I know that all the unnecessary political legerdemain seen now has been predicted scripturally. Fortunately, I also know how the story ultimately ends. None of us are feckless poltroons, although I cannot say the same for our adversaries. The kids, and everyone else, will prevail against evil, and the hypocritical would-be slavers will have quite a while to explain their conduct.

Fight on! And, may freedom ring!

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EXTREME GUN LAW RP

BY ALEX "DOC OLLIE" YARON

esterday, I went to the gun show in Virginia. The place was packed, and that was on the last day of a threeday event. Men, women, children, a surprisingly large contingent of African-Americans, also with their wives and kids. The place was a friendly hustle-and-bustle.

In approaching vendors, I learned that I would not be able to purchase a firearm because I was from California, and I was currently living in Washington, D.C. Nevertheless, I was treated well - possibly because I was wearing my 101st Airborne Division cap with the Screaming Eagle on the front, and all of the veterans were very cordial to me. I even bumped into a vet who had also been with the first battalion of the 327th Infantry. He had been in that unit in the 1980s, and he quickly understood my experience when I told him that I had been with that unit in 1968, in the A Shau Valley, in Vietnam.

So, I left and came back to D.C. with empty hands, but in good

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spirits. The staff at Costco should be this cordial. Nevertheless, there was a lingering question in my mind: how those Virginians really cherish their guns and are so friendly about it! All manner of weapons were there and all manner of people and not one of

them was in the least combative or aggressive or hostile to anyone!

And here today, there was a shooting in D.C. Three "illegal" firearms were confiscated while no "legal" guns were confiscated. So, the very strict, essentially ruthless, determination of the D.C. government to remove guns from the D.C. environs was working really great, as far as "legal" guns are concerned! When it comes to "illegal" guns, they are seemingly everywhere!

After some research, I discovered that Virginia was 27th in the list of "deaths per 100,000 population." Washington D.C.? (Who, would you be surprised?) Washington, D.C., was FIRST in the list of deaths by gunfire! Now, that sure does prove that harsh laws certainly do keep down the gunfire, don't it? And now they want to screw down the clamps even tighter.

It turns out that the District of Columbia - with its stranglehold on its citizens who would have a firearm - LEGALLY - has a 52% greater death rate - per capita -than does the state next door were the gun show was held. A state that has free and easy



Winneconne, WI - 17 April 2016: Image of hand guns on a table at a gun show. (SHUTTERSTOCK)

access to firearms! Yes, the territory that has the strictest laws in the land regarding the possession of firearms is the very municipality that has the highest number of deaths by gun.

WHAT'S WRONG HERE?

Evidently, the only people in Washington, D.C. who have firearms are those who do not bother to try to get licenses... the criminals. It is such that one hears the question: is "the mob" possibly promoting (and maybe funding) this anti-gun hysteria? Why would they do that? Possibly so nobody in town might be able to defend themselves from the "illegal" gun owners? Do they underwrite Mayor Bowser's re-election so that the current law is not tampered with? You mean, like when the mob flourished because of prohibition of whiskey? You mean like when the "mob" flourished when the War on Drugs was foisted upon us by that wonderful statesman, Richard Millhouse Nixon? We had no great drug problem at that time. Now we have the DEA and prisons jammed with users and dealers. And the illegal gun biz is flourishing.

Would it not be accurate to observe that the D.C. gun policy is a pathetic and grotesque failure? The "mob" seems to be the only ones (along with the politicians) who

benefit from these anti-gun laws. "Cui Bono" was the question back in the days of the Romans. That same question, "who benefits" was asked back during the Watergate fiasco.

It still needs to be asked: Who does benefit? **CRPA**

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HOW THE FBI UNDERCOUNTS ARMED CITIZEN RESPONDERS TO MASS KILLERS — AND MEDIA PLAY ALONG

BY JOHN R. LOTT, JR.

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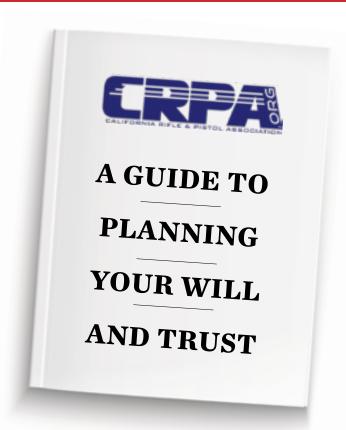
three people and injured another at a Greenwood, Indiana, mall on July 17 drew broad national attention because of how it ended – when 22-year-old Elisjsha Dicken, carrying a licensed handgun, fatally shot the attacker.

While Dicken was praised for his courage and skill – squeezing off his first shot 15 seconds after the attack began, from a distance of 40

yards – much of the news coverage drew from FBI-approved statistics to assert that armed citizens almost never stop such attackers: "Rare in US for an active shooter to be stopped by bystander" (Associated Press); "Rampage in Indiana a rare instance of armed civilian ending mass shooting" (Washington Post); and "After Indiana mall shooting, one hero but no lasting solution to gun violence" (New York Times).

Evidence compiled by the organization I run, the Crime Prevention Research Center, and others suggest that the FBI undercounts by an order of more than three the number of instances in which armed citizens have thwarted such attacks, saving untold numbers of lives. Although those many news stories about the Greenwood shooting also

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suggested that the defensive use of guns might endanger others, there is no evidence that these acts have harmed innocent victims.

"So much of our public understanding of this issue is malformed by this single agency," notes Theo Wold, former acting assistant attorney general in the U.S. Department of Justice. "When the Bureau gets it so systematically – and persistently – wrong, the cascading effect is incredibly deleterious. The FBI exerts considerable influence over state and local law enforcement and policymakers at all levels of government."

As many on the left seek more limits on gun ownership and use in

response to mass shootings and the uptick in violent crime, and many on the right seek greater access to firearms for protection, the media's reliance on incomplete statistics in covering incidents such as the one at the Greenwood Park Mall takes on new significance.

The FBI defines active shooter incidents as those in which an individual actively engages in killing or attempting to kill people in a populated, public area. But it does not include those it deems related to other criminal activity, such as a robbery or fighting over drug turf.

The Bureau reports that only 11 of the 252 active shooter incidents it identified for the period 2014-2021

were stopped by an armed citizen. An analysis by my organization identified a total of 281 active shooter incidents during that same period and found that 41 of them were stopped by an armed citizen.

That is, the FBI reported that 4.4% of active shooter incidents were thwarted by armed citizens, while the CPRC found 14.6%.

Two factors explain this discrepancy – one, misclassified shootings; and two, overlooked incidents. Regarding the former, the CPRC determined that the FBI reports had misclassified five shootings: In two incidents the Bureau notes in its detailed write-up that citizens possessing valid firearms permits confronted the shoot-

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ers and caused them to flee the scene. However, these cases were not listed as being stopped by armed citizens because the attackers were later apprehended by police. In two other incidents the FBI misidentified armed civilians as armed security personnel. In one incident, the FBI simply failed to mention the citizen engagement at all.

For example, the Bureau's report about the Dec. 29, 2019, attack on the West Freeway Church of Christ in White Settlement, Texas, that left two men dead does not list this as an incident of "civic engagement" because the perpetrator was fatally shot by a parishioner who had volunteered to provide security during worship. That man, Jack Wilson, told RealClearInvestigations he was not a security professional. He said that 19 to 20 members of the congregation were armed that day, and they didn't even keep track of who was carrying a concealed weapon.

As for the second factor — overlooked cases — the FBI, more significantly, missed an additional 25 incidents identified by CPRC in which the active shooters were thwarted by armed civilians (see full list here). These include:

■ An August 31, 2021, incident in Syracuse, New York, in which a property manager pulled out a legally possessed 9mm handgun and fatally wounded a man who opened fire on a crowd outside a building. The district attorney credited the property manager with saving the



Rare in US for an active shooter to be stopped by bystander

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► "No correction was necessary," the AP reporter responded. (AP)

lives of several individuals.

- An August 11, 2021 incident in San Antonio, Texas, in which a woman who crashed into a parked car in San Antonio's West Side neighborhood climbed out of her vehicle and began shooting indiscriminately at people who came out of their homes to rush to her aid. An armed resident fired back and shot the driver to death.
- A February 13, 2019 incident in Colonial Heights, Tennessee, in which a man, after killing his wife, turned his gun on others in dental office where she worked. A patient who had a concealed handgun permit holder shot the murderer as he was aiming at another person.

These omissions and discrepancies are not surprising given the limits of data collection and the judgment calls involved in categorizing such incidents. Law enforcement agencies around the country do not provide comprehensive reports of active shooter incidents, so local news coverage is a crucial source of information. The FBI contracts out this work to the Advanced Law Enforcement Rapid Response Training Center at Texas State University and then reviews and refines its findings.

The CPRC discovered cases the Center missed, but even the CPRC's approach almost certainly misses incidents. "[T]here's no reason to



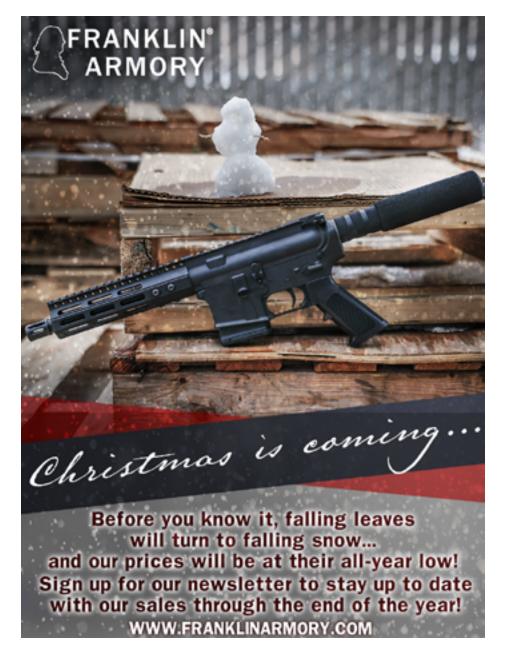
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think that the [CPRC's] list is complete, since there may well have been such incidents that weren't covered in the news in a way that would come up on the Center's searches," UCLA Law Professor Eugene Volokh wrote in June.

Asked about these discrepancies, the FBI declined to address them. A representative from the Advanced Law Enforcement Rapid Response Training Center, M. Hunter Martindale, suggested that its numbers were not definitive:

"We do appreciate you sending potential active shooter cases for the FBI team to review for inclusion in the active shooter dataset. As promised, I sent the email chain to the FBI team yesterday. As I'm sure you know, the FBI Active Shooter reports are released on an annual basis. My assumption is that any amendment

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retroactively adding cases would likely be included in a release with the annual report."

Although collecting such data is fraught with challenges, some see a pattern of distortion in the FBI numbers because the errors almost exclusively go one way, minimizing the life-saving actions of armed citizens.

"Whether deliberately through bias or just incompetence, the FBI database of active shooters cannot be trusted," said Gary Mauser, an emeritus professor at Simon Fraser University in Canada who has extensively studied gun control and defensive gun uses. Mauser's concern dovetails with those voiced by Rep. Jim Jordan in a July 27 letter to FBI Director Christopher Wray. Jordan alleged that whistleblowers have come forward claiming political biases in the FBI's domestic terrorism data.

Despite these problems, the FBI's numbers are routinely cited as authoritative by the news media. In its coverage of the Greenwood mall attack, the Washington Post linked to a Bureau report while informing readers, "In recent studies of more than 430 'active shooter incidents' dating back to 2000, the FBI found that civilians killed gunmen in just 10 cases."

In its Greenwood article, the Associated Press reported, "From 2000 to 2021, fewer than 3% of 433 active attacks in the U.S. ended with a civilian firing back, according to the Advanced Law Enforcement Rapid Response Training Center at Texas State University."

When my organization emailed Ed White, the AP reporter who wrote that article, about omissions in the Texas State numbers, he responded: "Our reporting, citing the specific research by Texas State U. over a

22. Considering the particulars of recent tragedies like Newtown and Aurora, what level of impact do you think a legally-armed citizen could have made? Choose the statement that you feel is most accurate:

	Response Percent	Response Count
Innocent casualties would likely have been avoided altogether	6.2%	865
Casualties would likely have been reduced	80.0%	11,215
There would have been no difference in outcome	4.1%	568
An active gunfight might have resulted in greater loss of innocent lives	5.5%	767
Unsure or prefer not to answer	4.3%	607
	answered question	14,022

^{▶ &}quot;In reality that's the job of the police"? In a 2013 survey, many in law enforcement begged to differ. (POLICEONE)

20-year period, was accurate. No correction was necessary."

News outlets often raise concerns that allowing concealed handgun carry will result in innocent bystanders being shot or in police accidentally shooting permit holders. White's AP dispatch on the Greenwood shooting quoted Adam Lankford, identified as "a criminal justice expert at the University of Alabama," who stated: "While it's certainly a good thing in this mall shooting that someone was able to stop it before it went any further, let's not think we can substitute that outcome in all past and future incidents. If everyone's carrying a firearm, the risk that something bad

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Carl Moody, a professor at William & Mary who studies mass public shootings, told RCI that such warnings are misleading:

"The media and gun control advocates always seem concerned with the worst possible outcomes when firearms are involved. We know that armed citizens do, in fact, stop active shooters. And while there's a possibility of a bystander getting hurt, the data show that an armed citizen has yet to accidentally shoot an innocent bystander. We also know that the police have accidentally shot the hero citizen just once. That was in Colorado on June 21, 2021. That's not something that would normally happen, because the police usually arrive long after the incident is resolved."

Experts interviewed by the Washington Post and New York Times argue that stopping these attacks should be left to the police. "I think you might get more individuals carrying, sort of primed for something to happen, which is particularly dangerous ... in reality that's the job of the police," Indiana University Bloomington law professor Jody Madeira told the Washington Post.

But many in law enforcement disagree. In March 2013, PoliceOne surveyed its 380,000 active-duty and 70,000 retired law enforcement officer members. Eighty-six percent of members believed that casualties from mass public school shootings could be reduced or "avoided altogether" if citizens had carried permitted concealed handguns in those places. Seventy-seven percent supported "arming teachers and/or school administrators who volunteer to carry at their school." No other policy to protect children and school staff had such widespread support.

"A deputy in uniform has an extremely difficult job in stopping these attacks," Sarasota County, Florida, Sheriff Kurt Hoffman told RCI. "These terrorists have huge strategic advantages in determining the time and place of attacks. They can wait for a deputy to leave the area, or pick an undefended location. Even when police or deputies are in the right place at the right time, those in uniform who can be readily identified as guards may as well be holding up neon signs saying, 'Shoot me first.' My deputies know that we cannot be everywhere."

Similarly, Massad Ayoob, a self-defense advocate who has taught police techniques to law enforcement since 1974, noted, "When a life-threatening crisis strikes and





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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.

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The numbers indicate If we didn't have gunfree zones, we would have more people stopping these attacks.



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seconds count, the real first responders are the citizens present."

The FBI's active shooting reports do not mention whether the attacks occur in gun-free zones. "The issue is that when places are posted as gunfree zones, law-abiding citizens obey those rules and would be unable to stop the attacks in those areas," notes Professor Moody.

Surveys show that criminologists and economists had the same top four preferred policies for stopping mass public shootings. On a 1 to 10 scale where 1 was the least effective policy and 10 the most, American criminologists rated the following policies most highly: Allow K-12 teachers to carry concealed handguns (6.0), allow military personnel to carry on military bases (5.6), encourage the elimination of gun-free zones (5.3) and relax federal regulations that pressure companies to create gun-free zones (5.0). The top four policies for economists were the same, but in a different order: encourage the elimination of gun-free zones (7.9), relax federal regulations that pressure companies to create gun-free zones (7.8), allow K-12 teachers to carry concealed handguns (7.7), and allow military personnel to carry on military bases (7.7).

Between 2014 and 2021, citizens stopped 41 out of 109 potential or actual mass shootings where we could identify that guns were allowed in the area.

So, 38% of attacks were stopped by people legally carrying concealed handguns. That's an ever higher rate than for all attacks, where 14.6% were stopped.

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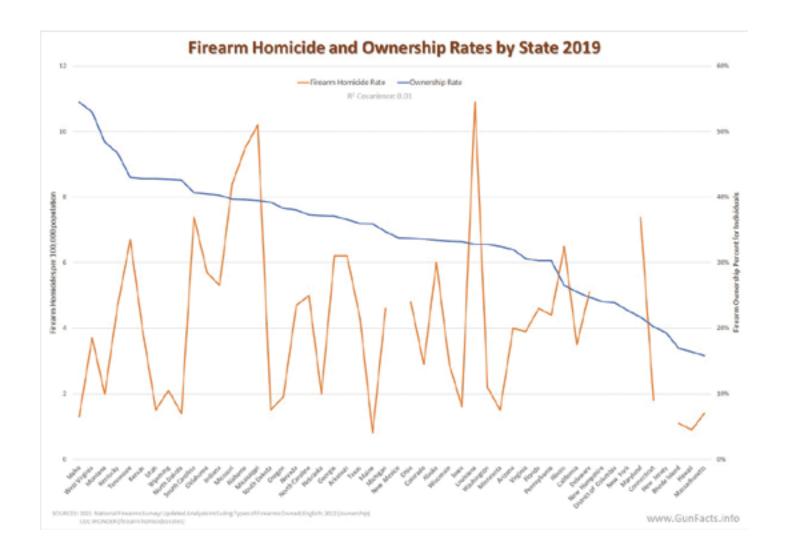
The general public seems to agree. An early July survey by the Trafalgar Group showed that a plurality of American general election voters believe that armed citizens are the most effective element in protecting you and your family in the case of a mass shooting. First on the list was "armed citizens" at 42%, followed by "local police" (25%) and "federal agents" (10%). ["None of the above" was the answer chosen by 23% of respondents.] A survey by YouGov in May - before the Uvalde, Texas, attack - found that by a margin of 51% to 37% American adults supported letting schoolteachers and administrations carry concealed handguns. CRPA

GUN OWNERSHIP AND HOMICIDES

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e decided to update the chart below with the newer and higher quality data from an exciting new survey of gun ownership and defensive gun use rates (2021 National Firearms Survey: Updated Analysis Including Types of Firearms Owned; English; 2022).

Note, we calculated the covariance between gun ownership and gun homicides ... and there isn't any.





THE AMA GOES FULL WOKE

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ealth "equity" or health for all? The wokerati, such as the American Medical Association, would like us to think that it takes the first to achieve the second. In 54 pages of more-than-usually mindnumbing social "sciences" verbology, the AMA has published Advancing Health Equity: A Guide to Language, Narrative and Concepts.

To begin with: "By health inequities, we mean gaps that are 'unjust, avoidable, unnecessary and unfair." No, we don't want those, and like

many of the unwashed I believed that closing those gaps meant policing ourselves as we practice, refusing to allow our personal prejudices to affect our clinical decision-making. For example, like the Florida pediatrician who fired the 9-year-old because he didn't like the family's attitudes about guns.



That's not what they're talking about. The AMA's method begins with pointing out how "messages" become "stories" and get fixed into "narratives." This is not about relying on objective scientific research to assess the appropriateness of investigation and treatment of illness for each patient we see, taking into account "race" only to the extent that data shows differential risks and responses, and "culture" in deciding how to understand and inform patients best.

The treatment for our sick profession begins with adopting a new "equity-focused, person-first language." Well, we could. Dorland's 33rd edition contains over 36,000 entries, which most physicians actually learned. (My father, a physician, once told me he's glad he got into and through medical school and post-graduate training—but that he'd never do it again. I agree.)

For example, "complying" with directions is now a sign of imposed domination, so "non-compliance" has become "non-adherence" which somehow means something nicer.

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obese/homeless/disabled/handicapped/victims", "cases or subjects", even "individuals". "People with" is always good, and "survivors" hasn't yet been cancelled. There are no more "minorities", "ethnic" or "racial" groups, but "people from/who are". We may no longer "target/tackle/ aim at/combat" disease, because these bespeak violence. If you don't use PPE, it's because of your "limited access", and if you don't seek healthcare" it's not your responsibility to yourself, you are "under-resourced." Evidently, my spell-checker is reactionary since it hasn't highlighted any of these obsolete words for replacement.

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Of course, "black" is now necessarily "Black" and "Caucasian" has become "white." Much previously lauded, "cultural competence" is now deficient compared to "humility" or "safety." You were never "disadvantaged"—you were in fact "excluded", presumably by us. There are no such things anymore as "inequalities" or even "disparities"—these are pure "inequities." Likewise, as we have

already become aware, "equality" must be replaced by "equity", a word of little meaning for bearers of little brain (A.A. Milne).

Congratulations, you're not an "ex-con" or "released felon"; you are a proud "formerly incarcerated returning citizen." There is no more "fairness" in the world, just "social justice." "Latinx" is a new general term for anyone of Hispanic descent.

For what it's worth, I have yet to meet a "Latino" who doesn't reject it. Of course, "illegal immigrant", as accurate as it may be, must be elided into "undocumented immigrant." I'm sure that if should become an "undocumented driver" the police will gladly feed, house and pay my airfare to anywhere in the U.S. I like.

There is no such thing anymore as "Indians"; they are "Native", "indigenous" (now with their own, not undeserved, holiday in October) or, thankfully still, "American Indians". As an aside, photography has lost the simple relationship between "master" (controlling) and "slave" (controlled) flash units, which must apparently all be emancipated. I suppose that my African-American colleague who complained about "slaving away" at work committed some kind of doubled sin but fortunately for her, she didn't realize it. Anyway, there was never such a condition as "slave"—everyone was "enslaved".

"Race-based" medicine hasn't been practiced during my career (late 1970's on), but never mind it's now "race-conscious" if at all. Of





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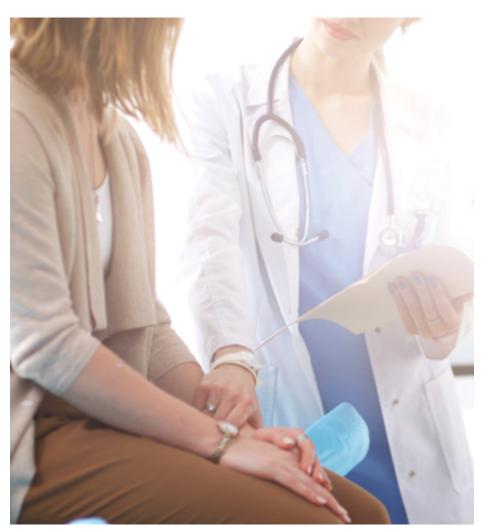
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course, there is never to be a bland statement about a patient's "sex" or "gender" based on observation or assumption; one can only talk about "sex assigned at birth" or "gender identity."

"Minority" is now a pejorative, because "less than" is an insult and someone else was responsible for marginalizing or even "minoritizing" them. You're not "underrepresented", you've been "marginalized" and "excluded." You're not "vulnerable" in any way, you're "oppressed." And using "white" or "black" as adjectives? Forbidden from now on, you'll just have to come up with something more precise.

Once the new vocabulary is integrated into our "messaging", we have to ask questions in new ways. It's no longer about how individuals can either help themselves or how professionals can help them. We must think and ask how "social change" and "collective action" can "confront health inequity", how we must end "root causes of inequality" (thought that was supposed to be "inequity"), even how to "democratize land use" and end "disinvestment, relining, predatory lending" and targeted "hazardous waste". But will I have any time left to inquire about symptoms and discuss medical treatment options?

I find myself just a little more sympathetic to the recommendations about how to discuss societal problems, despite having no time for it. Societal solutions do ultimately have to be informed by who they affect and how, not just by dollars and cents. Wedge politics make bad policies. "Citizen" is a much more meaningful position in our polity than "consumer", and each one matters. But all blame does not land outside the individual's actions when



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they could have been otherwise. Economics does matter, individually and societally, as a prime correlate of health opportunity. Minimizing the value, and maximizing the faults, of any group damages all and especially the hope for mutual comprehension. In this context, check "Table 5: Contrasting Conventional . . . Phrasing with Equity Focused Language . . ." Each of the supposedly outmoded statements on the left are, in fact, true. The up-to-date phrasing on the right incorporates so much social causation that one could miss the point that treating what's wrong is what the individual patient wants and needs. Let's address the sociology of poor health but not in the exam room.

You also may (or may not) enjoy "Part 3: Glossary of key terms." "Cis-", "cis-gender", "colorblind" come in for particular criticism, and that's just the C's. For another take, read Matthew Iglesias' "The AMA's "Advancing Health Equity" plan leaves out everything that matters" from SlowBoring.com. He's even less complementary to the AMA than I am, faithful member that I am for other reasons. Daniel Greenfield hits even harder in "Equity in Medicine is Racist and Lethal".

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This is the latest, and one of the best, examples of why only about one in five physicians in the United States maintains membership in the vaunted American Medical Association, the supposed voice representing over a million America's physicians. It isn't and it doesn't. CRPA

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udd" being an old fashioned, Elmer Fudd-like gun owner who only cares about hunting ■ with wooden, manual-action long guns and doesn't think anyone needs an "assault weapon" or "high-capacity" magazine.

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5000 rounds no issues	Shotgun is best for H.D	"You'll dick off dick off appendix"	"No need to spend that much on a gun"	Self defense rounds are pointless
A lady just needs a pink .380	Red dots are a gimmick, irons are where it's at.	Just as good	.22 bounce around death round	Only need one shot
The deer aren't shooting back	Open carry deters the bad guy.	Free space	l don't need to train	Lost my guns in a boating accident hahahaha
Got my new truck gun	Glocks are toys	They'll see you with a WML	Two world wars	Amazon/wish gun parts
9mm will just piss them off	I'll have time to rack the slide	I'm pro gun, but.	.45 is gods caliber	The cops aren't coming for your gun.

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LEGISLATIVE REPORT

TAKE THE CONVERSATION BACK FROM GUN GRABBERS

our California Rifle & **Pistol Association is** continuing to protect your constitutional rights by making significant advances in what was formally known as the legislative arena. Changing

the name of this report from the "Legislative Report" to the "Government Affairs Report" is reflective of the work that began under the guidance of former Legislative Director Roy Griffith and now moves forward with our team of Nick Villa and myself.

Government affairs is how the CRPA works with the government, government regulators, and the legislative and regulatory arms of the government. This is being done now at local, state, and federal levels. The results of these changes will be a broader source of information for you, our reader, and an explanation of how laws at all levels impact your life when it comes to the second amendment and its derived activities.

This is being done to provide you with the facts and talking points you need as you pass on to the next generation a vibrant and intact Second Amendment, as well as the rest of the U.S. Constitution. In this article, I discuss the three most common statements heard at various events and give a rebuttal and a talking point for you to

> use when you are confronted with these situations.

Statement "I'm too old for this and its someone else's turn."

Place Often heard in various meetings where people who are 55 or older make the statement.

Rebuttal/Talking Point

When our country became a nation in 1776 the average lifespan of a British colonial

was 38 years. Few people lived much beyond 50 under the best of circumstances. On April 19, 1775, there was a former British Captain named Samuel Whitmore who had a farm in present day Arlington, Massachusetts that was on the road between Boston and the towns of Lexington and Concord.

Whitmore was a veteran in the British Army and had fought in three wars (King George's War in 1742, French and Indian War in 1745, and Pontiac's War in 1754).

Whitmore was 78 years old when British General Thomas Gage sent troops to destroy colonial firearms, powder, and ammunition in the towns of Lexington and Concord. During the British withdrawal of troops under Earl Percy from the 47th Regiment of Foot, Whitmore, using his musket, killed one soldier then pulled his dueling pistols and killed a second soldier before mortally wounding a third.

I want you to stop and think that – a 78-year-old man is fighting seasoned troops in their twenties from the strongest military in the world. He fired those shots from smooth bore firearms with zero rifling and round balls. Three shots under stressful conditions, and all three shots counted.

The British advanced on his position and Whitmore drew his sword. The soldiers shot Whitmore in the face at close range, bayoneted him several times, and left the 78-year-old for dead in a



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pool of his own blood in a field in 1775. Battlefield medicine as we know it didn't exist, doctors had skillsets that are easily surpassed by today's first responders and, yet, somehow, Whitmore survived. Whitmore did not quit after this event. He went on to live until the extremely old age of 98!

There is another hero of that battle known as Hezekiah Wyman who was 55 years old that day that was told he was too old to engage the enemy. He ignored the warnings and fought against the British Army from a gray draft horse with his musket from up to 250 yards away. He was labeled by the British officers as "Death who rides a Pale horse" because of his expert rifle work that day.

My point is that no one reading this is too old to be an advocate for their rights. Be a Whitmore or a Wyman and not a lazy person in passing on good government to the next generation.

Statement "The majority of Americans say they disagree with you, and this should not be allowed."

Place As heard in Legislative chambers and in all forms of the media and backyard conversations.

Rebuttal/Talking Point This is an all too often "go to" tactic of the left. An example, as it relates to the Second Amendment, is the remark "The majority of American's are not in favor of firearms ownership."

Pew Research found in June 2021 that 40% of Americans lived in a household with a gun and over 30% of individuals own a gun. The Federal Bureau of Investigation reported that in 2020 they saw a 44% increase in firearms purchases over the previous year. These two studies are from government funded agencies and contractors that didn't receive any money from any Second Amendment group. A Gallup survey in 2019 corroborated a 2017 Pew Research study that cited over 63% of Americans said personal protection is the primary reason for gun

ownership.

The idea that most Americans see gun violence as a reason against firearm ownership is based on a Pew Research study conducted in April 2021 that found 48% of Americans saw it as a big problem in the country. This figure compares to responses that pegged other big problems similarly, such as the Federal Deficit (49%), violent crime (48%), illegal immigration (48%), the pandemic (47%)... and the majority issue, health care affordability (56%.) I assert that the easiest issue to attack in this list is firearm rights, as the other issues have the potential for a huge backlash in the public space, which politicians fear.

The rebuttal here is simple. Many Americans do not participate or financially support various sports, arts, and recreational opportunities. We do not legislate out of existence Yosemite National Park because it only had 3.3 million visitors as compared to the Golden Gate Bridge with 13.7 million visitors. We do not legislate any sport out of existence, nor do we have a governor calling for the ending of the pro football culture, despite all of its issues. We, the Second Amendment culture, must have a zero-tolerance policy for cancel culture and call it out in the media.

Statement "I'm getting out of California and moving to the land of freedom, [insert other state]!"

Place Usually the friend next to you at an event looking up what their home is worth on Zillow or Redfin.

Rebuttal/Talking Point The adage -"As California goes so does the nation" is not a cliché...it's a political fact. Numerous friends, acquaintances, and family members sought greener grass in other locales. Let's look at a few examples of cultural and political movements that started in California and have now taken up residence elsewhere.

■Oregon Has a ballot initiative 17 that stems from a portion of California's 2016 Prop 63 that halts the sale of magazines with greater than a 10-round capacity in the state.

- ■Nevada Defeated a ban on predator contests but residents face many challenges to their Second Amendment rights.
- ■Arizona Legislators are fighting to keep anti-Second Amendment legislation from being passed in a state that is becoming less and less red with every passing election cycle.

States like Colorado, Idaho, Texas, lowa, and others that seemed safe are fighting to pass constitutional amendments to protect the Second Amendment when just a few years ago those measures would have been a slam dunk.

California is worth fighting for and should never be ceded to the far left and their anti-constitutional mindset. When we Californians don't stop these unconstitutional laws from being passed, we give them life in other states. We don't just infect other states with these crazy policies... we send those like former Attorney Generals Harris and Becerra to the nation's capital and then wonder why there is so much anti-2A rhetoric there.

The time has come to stop exporting this foolishness and engage the system to take it back. The left has been growing, unabated, because good people have done little to stand up to it. We must do better; we can do better and CRPA is here to help.

The January/February issue of Firing Line will contain national, state, and local bills and proposed regulatory items to educate and inform you, the activist. We encourage you to absorb the material and engage in your communities through our chapter grassroots programs in your area. If there is not a local program, call the office and we will help you get one set up. We are on the offensive and need you standing shoulder to shoulder with us in this fight for the next generation of Californians and Americans. Join us! **CRPA**

LITIGATION REPORT FOUR POST-BRUEN **DEVELOPMENTS**

BY ALEX FRANK

ince the United States **Supreme Court's** decision in Bruen in June, several significant developments have occurred in the Second Amendment legal arena in California.

First, two critical CRPA supported cases—Duncan and Rhode—were remanded for further proceedings consistent with Bruen. On August 2, the en banc 11-judge panel that reversed the three-judge panel's decision affirming judge Benitez's legendary ruling, requested further briefing from parties about Bruen's impact. On September 23, 2022, the en banc panel voted to remand the case to Judge Benitez's district

In the Rhode matter, the threejudge panel requested supplemental briefing on Bruen's impact exact-

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ly one day after *Bruen* hit the press. That panel will likely hold that Bruen necessitates a win for the plaintiffs, and the state will likely take further appellate action in that event.

Second, now armed with the

Bruen precedent, CRPA wasted little time in launching a lawsuit against one of California's most loathed gun control restrictions - the handgun "roster." That lawsuit, Boland v. Bon*ta* was filed in the federal district

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court for the central district of California. Popular pro Second Amendment social media personality Reno May is one of the named individual plaintiffs.

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Fourth, is unfortunately not good news. We all know that California's decisively left and progressive leaning legislators despise the Second Amendment community and correctly see Bruen for what it is - a major setback to their campaign to disarm law abiding citizens. As such, we expected some obstruction and intransigence, and they delivered in the form of Senate Bill 1327.

SB 1327's key enactment is Code of Civil Procedure section 1021.11. Under this new law, any party that challenges a California gun restriction and fails to obtain anything less than 100% success is vulnerable to paying the state of California's attorney fees. In addition to being a cowardly and dishonorable piece of legislation—even by California legislature standards—it's also abjectly unconstitutional. The primary sponsor of the bill, state Senator Bob Hertzberg, should also know better - he used to be a practicing attorney.

In addition to other glaring issues, this law essentially tells Second Amendment supporters that they can only litigate their constitutional rights under threat of extreme

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financial penalty if they lose any aspect of their lawsuit. Indeed, attorney fee motions in Second Amendment cases can ascend into the six-figure and maybe even seven-figure range, because they involve teams of seasoned attorneys, extensive briefing, appeals, and litigation support.

This is nothing more than an attempt to nullify Bruen by raising the stakes of pro Second Amendment litigation to an unsustainable level. California's left-wing legislators know that the future of the Second Amendment will be determined in the court system, so they're trying

to keep us out of the court system altogether. It's a tyrannical attempt to eviscerate the pro Second Amendment community's right to petition the government for redress of its grievances, and by the time you read this, CRPA will be in court challenging it. **CRPA**

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.

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ISSUE	CASE NAME	CASE STATUS	WHAT'S NEXT
CHALLENGE TO CALIFORNIA'S AMMUNITION SALES RESTRICTIONS	Rhode v. Becerra	The long stay that was imposed in this case due to <i>Duncan</i> and <i>Bruen</i> is now effectively over. On June 24, 2022, just one day after the <i>Bruen</i> ruling, the court asked for supplemental briefing on how <i>Bruen</i> impacts this case.	Supplemental briefing is submitted as of late September.
CHALLENGE TO CA AND LOS ANGELES FIREARM CARRY RESTRICTIONS THAT PROHIBIT BOTH OPEN AND CONCEALED CARRY	Flanagan v. Becerra (Formerly Flanagan v. Harris)	This case was stayed pending the resolution of the petition for certiorari in <i>Young v. Hawaii</i> . Now that <i>Young</i> has received a grant, vacate, and remand at the Supreme Court, the plaintiffs have alerted the court of the development and requested that the court issue judgment in their favor immediately.	Parties are waiting for the court to announce what it wants to do as of late September.
CHALLENGE TO UNDER 21 FIREARM PROHIBITION.	Jones v. Bonta	On September 7, 2022, the 9th circuit remanded the case to the district court.	The district court ordered a <i>Bruen</i> related supplemental briefing, due in October.
CHALLENGE TO CALIFORNIA'S "ASSAULT WEAPON" RESTRICTIONS	Rupp v. Becerra	This case was one of the many stayed pending the outcome of the <i>Bruen</i> case at the US Supreme Court.	On June 28th, the 9th Circuit vacated the district court's judgment and remanded the case for further proceedings consistent with <i>Bruen</i> .

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CHALLENGE TO CALIFORNIA'S BAN ON STANDARD- CAPACITY MAGAZINES	Duncan v. Becerra	On June 30th, the Supreme Court granted the certiorari petition, vacated the 9th Circuit en banc panel's ruling, and remanded the case to the 9th Circuit for further consideration in light of <i>Bruen</i> .	The 9th Circuit requested briefing on <i>Bruen's</i> impact. That briefing is submitted as of late September.
CHALLENGES DOJ'S USE OF DROS SURPLUS TO FUND APPS AS AN ILLEGAL TAX.	Gentry v. Becerra (Formerly Gentry v. Harris)	The California Court of Appeals affirmed judgment in the State's favor on March 26, 2021.	Plaintiffs are pursuing an attorney's fee award in trial court for the claims that were successful.
DOES HAWAII'S PERMIT SCHEME FOR GENERAL OPEN CARRY PROHIBITION VIOLATE THE SECOND AMENDMENT?	Young v. Hawaii	The Supreme Court issued a grant, vacate, and remand order on June 30, 2022.	The 9th Circuit remanded the case to the district court on August 19.
CHALLENGE TO VENTURA COUNTY'S ACTIONS PREVENTING PEOPLE FROM BUYING GUNS AND AMMUNITION DURING THE COVID-19 SITUATION, AND TO FORCED CLOSURES OF FIREARM AND AMMUNITION RETAILERS AND SHOOTING RANGES UNDER THREAT OF PROSECUTION	McDougall v. County of Ventura	On June 29, 2022, the 9th Circuit vacated the district court's judgment and remanded in light of <i>Bruen</i> .	The district court will re-examine the issues with the new <i>Bruen</i> precedent.
DOES THE CITY OF MORGAN HILL'S 48- HOUR LOSS/THEFT REPORTING ORDINANCE FAIL DUE TO PROPOSITION 63 PREEMPTION?	Kirk v. City of Morgan Hill	The matter was argued and submitted to the appeal court on August 9, 2022.	Expect an opinion sometime this fall.

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CHALLENGE TO SANTA CLARA'S (AND OTHER BAY AREA COUNTIES) ACTIONS PREVENTING PEOPLE FROM BUYING GUNS AND AMMUNITION DURING THE COVID-19 SITUATION, AND TO FORCED CLOSURES OF FIREARM AND AMMUNITION RETAILERS AND SHOOTING RANGES UNDER THREAT OF PROSECUTION	Altman v. County of Santa Clara	On March 8, 2022, the 9th Circuit ordered the case be held in abeyance pending the issuance of the mandate in <i>McDougall v. County of Ventura</i> .	In light of <i>McDougall</i> being remanded back to the district court, the court will likely take action soon but has not done so as of the middle of July.
DOES CALIFORNIA'S FIREARM RIGHTS RESTORATION REGIME VIOLATE THE SECOND AMENDMENT?	Linton v. Bonta	Now that <i>Duncan</i> has been resolved at the Supreme Court, the case can pick up again.	Plaintiffs filed a motion for summary judgment on August 26, 2022.
CHALLENGE TO LOS ANGELES COUNTY'S ACTIONS PREVENTING PEOPLE FROM BUYING GUNS AND AMMUNITION DURING THE COVID-19 SITUATION, AND TO FORCED CLOSURES OF FIREARM AND AMMUNITION RETAILERS AND SHOOTING RANGES UNDER THREAT OF PROSECUTION	Martinez v. Villanueva	On March 14, the 9th Circuit stayed the case pending the outcome of <i>McDougall v. County of Ventura</i> . The 9th Circuit remanded back to the district court on July 6, 2022, for further proceedings consistent with <i>Bruen</i> .	The 9th Circuit scheduled oral argument for November 15, 2022.
DOES HAWAII'S CONCEALED CARRY PERMIT REGIME VIOLATE THE 2ND AMENDMENT?	Livingston v. Ballard	This case was stayed pending <i>Young,</i> and the stay is now over.	Parties will litigate <i>Bruen</i> 's impact, although the answer is obviously quite clear.

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CHALLENGE TO WASHINGTON STATE'S UNDER 21 BAN	Mitchell v. Atkins	Plaintiff is attempting to have the stay lifted in light of <i>Bruen</i> .	The proceedings will likely be unstayed and the case will proceed under the new <i>Bruen</i> standard.
CHALLENGE TO CALIFORNIA ASSAULT WEAPONS	Miller v. Bonta	The stay is lifted and the court has requested Bruen briefing as of early September.	Judge Benitez will evaluate the case under the Bruen standard.
DID CALIFORNIA'S MANAGEMENT OF THE ONLINE SYSTEM FOR "ASSAULT WEAPON" REGISTRATION VIOLATE THE RIGHTS OF POTENTIAL REGISTRANTS?	Sharp v. Bonta	Plaintiffs reached a stipulated settlement and consent decree with the State on March 29, 2021. The State will allow a limited class of persons another chance to register "bulletbutton" assault weapons, pursuant to the consent decree.	The new registration period lasted from January 13, 2022 at 9:00 AM and closed on April 12, 2022.
DOES A CALIFORNIA LAW THAT ALLOWS FIREARM PURCAHSER INFORMATION TO BE DISCLOSED TO THIRD PARTIES VIOLATE PRIVACY LAWS AND THE SECOND AMENDMENT?	Brandeis v. Bonta	State court challenge to the same laws being challenged in the <i>Doe v. Bonta</i> matter. Filed January 28, 2022.	The matter is in its early stage in the state court.
DOES CALIFORNIA'S UNSAFE HANDGUN ACT (I.E. THE ROSTER) VIOLATE THE SECOND AMENDMENT?	Renna v. Bonta	Plaintiffs filed an amended complaint and a motion for preliminary injunction in September.	The matter will be litigated under the new <i>Bruen</i> standard.
DOES CALIFORNIA'S UNSAFE HANDGUN ACT (THE ROSTER) VIOLATE THE SECOND AMENDMENT?	Boland v. Bonta	The case is brand new, filed in August.	There will likely be a motion to dismiss some aspect of the case.

NATIONAL CASES WITH CALIFORNIA INTEREST

CRPA also litigates and assists in critical Second Amendment cases across the country that could set precedent for future challenges to California gun laws.

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DOES NEW JERSEY'S BAN ON MAGAZINES OVER 10 ROUNDS VIOLATE THE SECOND AMENDMENT?	Association of New Jersey Rifle & Pistol Clubs v. Grewal	The court granted, vacated, and remanded on June 30, 2022, in light of <i>Bruen</i> .	The lower court will now have to reinterpret the case under the <i>Bruen</i> standard.
DID THE ATF EXCEED ITS AUTHORITY TO ORDER A BAN ON "BUMP" STOCKS?	Aposhian v. Garland	Petition for certiorari filed August 2, 2021.	The petition has been distributed for conference and rescheduled multiple times.
DOES MARYLAND'S ASSAULT WEAPONS BAN VIOLATE THE SECOND AMENDMENT?	Bianchi v. Frosh	The Supreme Court granted, vacated, and remanded the case to the lower court for further proceedings consistent with <i>Bruen</i> .	The lower court will now have to reinterpret the case under the <i>Bruen</i> standard.
CHALLENGE TO A MASSACHUSETTS LAW THAT BARS NON-VIOLENT MISDEMEANOR CONVICTS FROM PURCHASING HANDGUNS.	Morin v. Lyver	Certiorari petition filed December 13, 2022.	The petition is still pending post <i>Bruen</i> .
ANOTHER BUMP STOCK BAN CASE.	Gun Owners of America v. Garland	Certiorari petition filed March 2, 2022.	No developments since <i>Bruen</i> .
CHALLENGE TO THE FIREARM PROHIBITION FOR UNLAWFUL USERS OF ANY CONTROLLED SUBSTANCE.	Carnes v. United States	Petition for certiorari filed July 26, 2022.	Response due September 26, 2022.



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HISTORY COMING TO LIFE

BY TIFFANY D. CHEUVRONT

he *Bruen* decision by the U.S. Supreme Court, which determined that the ability to carry a firearm outside of the home with limited restrictions is a personal right, was a historic ruling that left anti-gun politicians reeling.

Rather than embracing the ruling from an established branch of our government tasked with interpreting the law (exactly what the Supreme Court did), the gun control groups and politicians funded by those groups cried foul and have done everything possible to impede the Constitution from being upheld.

Many of the cases that California has been challenging for years have all been flipped on their heads. Even when the gun control groups and California lose a case at a specific level, they just appeal it to the next highest court hoping for a better ruling despite the Constitution. What this amounts to is a perfect storm of Second Amendment cases all lined up awaiting the historic Bruen decision. When the high Court ruled earlier this summer, it sent all of the cases that were bottled up in circuit courts across the country into a tailspin of sending them back through the process of being reheard by lower courts under the Bruen decision. This is exactly what should happen when the standards of review are changed and there are pending cases that would be affected.

Now, we have a new lamentation from the anti-gun crowd. The DOJ attorneys are complaining that after years of litigating a case, the federal courts are not giving them enough time to have the "focused

discovery" necessary to meet the Supreme Court's new standard. In other words, they want to delay the cases that have gone back down to the lower courts for review because they say the "historical research and analysis required to answer the difficult historical questions posed in *Bruen* and applicable in [cases] is labor intensive and time-consuming." That's right, the state wants more time to develop junk arguments when all they have to present to the court under this new standard is whether or not the restriction they want to impose was around at the time of the passage of the Second Amendment or when the Fourteenth Amendment was incorporated. According to federal civil procedure, the state already has 45 days to provide a supplemental briefing, while plaintiffs like CRPA have 21 days to provide their response to what the state submits.

Haven't gun owners waited long enough for resolution of cases that deal with basic foundational "shall not be infringed" issues? CRPA President Chuck Michel noted that "the state is desperate to delay the inevitable in this case, and the other Second Amendment cases now moving through the courts again, by urging the courts to allow unnecessary expert testimony and irrelevant fact discovery." This kind of deep dive with expert witnesses and discovery is not part of the standard from the Bruen decision. The state's burden is to present to the court any applicable laws in place during the time period. If none exists, then the new law is unconstitutional and no further

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research needs to be completed. It is a simple test that California wants to turn into months and months of trying to create history where none exists. They literally want to rewrite

history to fit their narrative against the Second Amendment.

As gun owners await final rulings in cases that challenge ammunition restrictions, "assault weapons," and magazine capacity, we are hopeful that the common sense of the court will discard this nonsensical attempt by the gun control lobby to prolong the inevitable—that gun owners have rights under the Constitution and it is time they start respecting those rights.

There will be many court decisions coming down over the next several months. Make sure that you follow CRPA on social media and sign up for news and information at the website CRPA.org. CRPA

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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
VENTURA COUNTY FAIRGROUNDS	For years, the Ventura County Fairgrounds has been debating over whether to hold gun shows or stop them at the requests of gun control activists.	The first week of January 2022 a group of gun control activists attempted to stop the gun shows again by attempting an emergency meeting and barely notifying anyone in the community. One of our members in the area got that notice and sent it to CRPA right away. CRPA grassroots, chapters, and volunteers rushed to action and attended the online meeting.	After a very long meeting behind closed doors with legal counsel, the Ventura Fair Board reluctantly voted 4-3 to keep the gun shows in 2022. Two bills were introduced to ban gun shows in Ventura and state-wide at the state level. These bills were signed by the Governor in July with an effective date of January 1, 2023. CRPA already has litigation filed to challenge the state's attempt at ending gun shows.

PROGRAM REPORTS LOCAL ADVOCACY REPORT

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COW PALACE GUN SHOWS DALY CITY	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 legislation to stop gun shows and dismantle the Cow Palace authority was dropped; New legislation was introduced this session that will impact 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 has reopened its discussion regarding banning gun shows and is currently discussing the matter in committee. Please watch for further calls to action.	The board voted in November to re-consider its 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. As of July 2022, the Governor signed legislation that would ban gun shows at all state owned property in California. This is currently being challenged in two other cases.
STATEWIDE PUBLIC RECORD REQUESTS	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. *Public Records Requests have been submitted for the DOJ leak of gun owner information. Due to an ongoing investigation and their attorneys holding all information until the investigation is complete, the DOJ is currently not responding.
CITY OF SAN JOSE	The Mayor for the City of San Jose wants to push mandatory insurance for all gun owners in the City as a way of paying for criminal violence that occurs in his City.	CRPA sent a letter previously on this same issue when the Mayor tried to make this a priority for the city in 2019. The Mayor has once again resurrected this issue and is trying to get mandatory insurance for gun owners or a mandatory fee to the City passed. The staff have been directed to come back with ordinance language in September. There is no new news on this issue as of the drafting of this alert.	CRPA has submitted public record requests and is preparing a lawsuit for filing should the city pass this ordinance. San Jose passed the ordinance even though there was 4 hours of testimony from the public against it. CRPA is preparing to sue as soon as the matter is ripe for the courts to consider. It now appears that the City is having issues with the implementation of the ordinance (i.e., the very issues CRPA pointed out) and now they will be delaying until December. The state failed to pass a similar requirement for insurance on a state-wide level. We expect this to come back next legislative session.
CITY OF BURBANK	The City of Burbank seeks to pass a moratorium against gun stores while they study the impacts to the city.	CRPA drafted opposition letters, engaged chapter members and volunteers to appear at a meeting in July 2022 and speak against this moratorium. As expected, the city still passed the moratorium even though there was a strong showing against it. The moratorium will be in place for 45 days.	CRPA will continue to monitor this issue and will send out more information as available.
DEL MAR FAIRGROUNDS GUN SHOW ATTACKS CONTINUE	For months the Del Mar gun show has been under siege from groups seeking to end the show.	Additional legislation has been introduced at the state level that would prevent gun shows from occurring at the Del Mar Fairgrounds. CRPA was 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.	For now, the federal courts have ordered that the gun shows may continue at the Del Mar Fairgrounds while the litigation progresses; the next gun shows will be in 2021. Assemblyman Gloria sponsored a bill to prohibit the selling of firearms and ammunition at the Del Mar Fairgrounds (a sneaky way to try to stop gun shows again). CRPA is once again bringing litigation against this unconstitutional attempt at restricting your rights. More bills were just signed impacting gun show sales at Del Mar, but litigation is already underway.

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GHOST GUN BANS	Gun Control groups are busy pushing to try to get local jurisdictions to pass restrictions on the possession, sale, transfer, or manufacturing of "ghost guns" including precursor parts.	San Diego, Los Angeles, and San Francisco have all passed the same basic ordinance in the last few weeks. The problem with these ordinances is that they address areas of concern that are controlled by the state AND there is no clear definition of what a precursor part is at the moment- these cities just made every piece of metal illegal to own and created criminals out of citizens with lawful products overnight.	CRPA is currently fighting in the courts on this issue. Please follow CRPA news for more information
CITY OF BEVERLY HILLS	The City of Beverly Hills is discussing mandating training for all gun owners who live in the city and currently make FFLs in the city sign an assumption of liability for damages occurring due to their products	These ordinances violate civil rights and go against commercial manufacturing and product liability protections for those in the product chain who can only be held responsible if the product is damaged or they know that the person is planning on using the product outside of its intended purpose.	
DOJ COE ISSUES	It has come to our attention that there may be businesses and individuals that are having great difficulty getting their COE renewal from DOJ. We also are investigating the DOJ Data Leak of CCW personal information to the public that occurred in June 2022.	Not having a valid certificate of eligibility (COE) prevents firearms business owners from operating and completing purchases and individuals from receiving and handling ammunition for many programs. We are hearing reports that the DOJ is taking months to return approved COE applications.	If you are having trouble with your COE approval or renewal, please send us a message at contact@crpa.org so we can see if we can assist you. For more information on the DOJ Leak of personal and private information please visit https://crpa.org/ca-doj-dox-gate/
CRPA COALITION WORK	The CRPA has been working with other groups across the state for years to influence and advance pro-2A work in the state. We believe in leveraging our combined strength to get things done.	Coalitions are built from other non- profit groups with similar missions coming together. We work with local chapter leaders, elected officials and legislative teams to push support and protection of the Second Amendment.	Watch for joint letters from coalition groups to fight harmful legislation in the state and for work with other groups during this election cycle. To sign up for the Range Coalition, send an email to ranges@crpa.org
CALL FOR PLAINTIFFS	If you are a CRPA member, we need you!	When local ordinance issues do not go well, we have to fight for your rights in court. We need members just like you who are negatively affected by these unconstitutional laws to step up as named plaintiffs in the legal actions that may follow.	If you are interested in serving as a plaintiff in any of our upcoming litigation, please contact us at potentialplaintiffs@michellawyers.com . We need you now more than ever!
ORANGE COUNTY FAIRGROUNDS GUN SHOWS	For months Senator Min has been trying to ban gun shows at all state facilities. Unable to get the support needed for this bill, Minn revised his SB 264 to only apply to gun shows at the Orange County Fairgrounds.	CRPA is fighting SB 264 (Minn) that seeks to stop gun shows at Orange County Fairgrounds We are prepared to fight this legislation, as well. More information coming soon.	State legislation also added the prohibition of sale of precursor parts at the Orange County Fair Grounds. Similar to the Del Mar litigation, these prohibitions will also be challenged in court.
CCW ISSUANCE ISSUES	CRPA has had many members reach out with concerns that their local jurisdiction is not issuing CCW's	When the <i>Bruen</i> decision came down, CRPA immediately sent letters to all of the jurisdictions in California explaining what the law is under that new standard.	CRPA sent final notice letters to those jurisdictions that continue to refuse to issue CCWs and we are prepared to file legal actions should they not follow the law. More information at crpa.org/ccw-issues-in-california

CRPA PROGRAMS UPDATE

SPOTLIGHT:

MEMBERSHIP MATTERS — GROW THE BASE, **GROW THE VOICE**

ere we go again — another group telling you how much membership matters. I know we all get weary of hearing the same old arguments of why you should join a group and support their mission. We get it. Everyone is trying to get your attention with flashy campaigns and promises of doing great things.

CRPA is going to be honest with you and cut through much of the bull that comes from many organizations. CRPA has been fighting for your rights in California for over 150 years. We wish the state would just uphold the Constitution and put us out of business, but that is not going to happen any time soon. CRPA is committed to fighting for the rights of all gun owners in Sacramento, in

the courts, and at the local levels of government. We fight more battles in the courts than other California groups. We work with coalitions of organizations that are like-minded to bring more strength to our efforts and build coalitions with a great voice.

That voice and support matter. Recently, CRPA ran a membership drive encouraging members to level up on their current memberships and to get new gun owners to join the efforts of CRPA. We are fighting epic battles here in our state. Battles for the very foundation of your constitutional rights. The politicians do not care about those rights—they have literally said as much. When you have a governor who vows to sign every gun control bill that gets to his desk regardless

of whether it is constitutional or not, we have to speak loudly as gun owners. If you are a member, consider stepping up your support by leveling up your membership. If you are not a member, consider joining CRPA and be part of that loud voice of gun owners saying "We are here and we will not be silenced."

That membership matters at the local level too. Did you know that CRPA has almost 40 local chapters now with thousands of members? There is more than likely a CRPA chapter in your area. Each local chapter is unique in their mission and what they do in their communities. Some attend local events and give a new face to gun owners within their community. Others attend local government meetings and challenge anti-gun ordinances while

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others give back in ways by sponsoring highways or raising funds to help the local police get a new K-9. All of these activities are important because they bring like minded gun owners together in their own community to address local issues and they show the communities that gun owners are there, active, and engaged. The more these local chapters grow, the louder the voice and the more in tune local politicians will become with that strong 2A voice.

We have never seen these kinds of attacks on gun ownership at this level before. No longer are politicians trying to hide their distain for the Second Amendment in our state. We must speak up and let them know that they cannot trample on the rights of the people. Join a local chapter. Join or upgrade your CRPA membership. Help us grow the base and grow the voice. CRPA

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SPOTLIGHT ON

ROBERT MENDEZ

ears ago, in a place called Agua Caliente, San Carlos, east of Ensenada, 7-year-old Robert Mendez rode in the back

of a Corvair pickup truck on his way to a dove hunt.

This would be his first experience shooting. Two years later, Robert's father gave him a Remington single shot .22 boltaction rifle with instructions to



CHRISTINA GASTELO VOLUNTEER COORDINATOR

always leave the bolt open and never put anything in there until he's ready to shoot.

Robert was taught to always help his fellow man and having come from a farming background, there were opportunities to help other farms and neighbors when he was growing up. Robert currently volunteers for the political action committee "Reform California" in San Diego County. Robert attends Beautiful Savior Lutheran Church in Carlsbad, where he volunteers in different capacities, such as singing, cooking, and ushering.

Today, Robert and his wife Dorothy are both CRPA life members. Together they have contributed to the establishment of the North San Diego County Gun Owners Chapter,



▶ Robert and Dorothy Mendez with Larry Elder in Ramona, CA. (LARRY ELDER)



Dorothy Mendez at the 2022 Ramona Rodeo with Smokey the Bear and his scout assistant. (ROBERT MENDEZ)

where Robert is the vice president. Robert and Dorothy continue their contribution by leading the CRPA membership booth at local events, such as the Ramona Fair, the Vista Strawberry Festival, local rodeos and motorcycle rallies, and various other events. They are dedicated to expanding the chapter, providing firearm training and education, and supporting the Second Amendment.

How would someone describe you?

Robert Mendez: Passionate.

What is it that you wish more people in our community knew about the Second Amendment?

RM: For the many who don't even know what the Second Amendment is, I'd like to give them a copy and explain why we have that right and share with them how many have died for that right.

In your opinion, what is the most important work that this organization does?

RM: Preventing the government from taking our guns.

What attracted you to this organization in particular?

RM: It's important to me that all CRPA's work is focused on California's firearm issues and that their attention isn't being diluted elsewhere.

Does anyone in your life play a role in supporting your involvement? In providing inspiration?

RM: My beautiful wife, Dorothy Ann... she's totally involved in every aspect. **CRPA**

VOLUNTEER REGISTRATION FORM

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VOLUNTEERS ARE CRPA'S 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 56), email us at **volunteer@crpa.org** or call (714) 992–2772, ext. 8752.

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 Liaisons; 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!**



► Range Con at 5 Dogs in Bakersfield, CA .(ALICIA BREWER)

EVENTS & TRAINING

EVENTS

NOVEMBER

November 5 **CALIFORNIA RANGE WEEKEND**

Burro Canyon Shooting Park Azuza, CA

November 5-6 **CHICO GUN SHOW**

Chico Fairgrounds Chico, CA

November 5-6 **BUCK STOP PLACERVILLE GUN SHOW**

El Dorado Fairgrounds Placerville, CA

November 12 LA HABRA CORN FESTIVAL **PARADE**

El Centro Lions Park (Erna Ave.) La Habra, Ca

November 12-13 **CROSSROADS OF THE WEST:** SAN BERNARDINO GUN **SHOW**

National Orange Show and Event San Bernardino, CA

November 19-20 **CALIFORNIA GUN SHOWS: LODI GUN EXPO**

Lodi Grape Festival Groups Lodi, CA

LOCATION KEY

- NORTHERN CALIFORNIA
- CENTRAL CALIFORNIA
- SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA
- OUT OF STATE

November 19-20 **SOCAL GUN SHOWS: LANCASTER GUN SHOW**

Antelope Valley Fairgrounds Lancaster, CA

November 26-27 YUBA CITY GUN SHOW

Yuba- Sutter Fairgrounds Yuba City, CA

DECEMBER

December 3-4

CALIFORNIA GUN SHOWS: ANTIOCH

Contra Costa County Event Center Antioch, CA

December 3-4

CODE OF THE WEST VALLEJO

Solano County Fairgrounds Vallejo, CA

December 10-11 **CALIFORNIA GUN SHOWS: TURLOCK GUN SHOW**

Stanislaus County Fairgrounds Turlock, CA

JANUARY

January 7-8 **CALIFORNIA GUN SHOWS SACRAMENTO GUN SHOW**

Capitol Sports Center McClellan Park, CA

January 7-8

CROSSROADS OF THE WEST SAN BERNARDINO GUN SHOW

National Orange Show Grounds San Bernardino, CA

January 17-20 **SHOT SHOW**

Venetian Expo & Caesar's Forum Las Vegas, NV

January 19-22 **INTERNATIONAL** SPORTSMEN'S EXPO

Cal Expo Sacramento, CA

January 20-22

BART HALL'S BOAT SHOW

Pomona Fairgrounds Pomona, CA

January 20-21

LAS VEGAS ANTIQUE ARMS **SHOW**

Westgate Resort & Casino Las Vegas, NV

January 28-29

CROSSROADS OF THE WEST ONTARIO GUN SHOW

Ontario Convention Center Ontario, CA

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CRPA TRAINING **COURSES**

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- Basic Shotgun
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- Basic Range Safety Officer
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- Personal **Protection Outside the** Home
- Metallic Cartridge Reloading
- **■** Hunters Education **Traditional Course**
- Hunters Education Follow-up Course
- Wild Game Cooking
- **■** Wild Game Field Dressing
- First Aid/AED/CPR
- Wilderness First Aid
- Archery
- Basic Backpacking
- Leave No Trace
- **■** Emergency **Preparedness**
- Photography
- Basic Map and Compass
- Trauma/ First Aid



Instructor Training with Chapter Leadership from all over the state run by Jerry Clark. (ALICIA BREWER)

TRAINING

NOVEMBER

November 5

SHOTGUN SHOOTING BASICS

Fullerton, CA

November 12

CHIEF RANGE SAFETY OFFICER

Fullerton, CA

November 12

HUNTER EDUCATION

Fullerton, CA

November 19

PERSONAL PROTECTION IN THE HOME INSTRUCTOR

Fullerton, CA

DECEMBER

December 3

HUNTER EDUCATION

Fullerton, CA

December 3

RANGE SAFETY OFFICER

Fullerton, CA

December 10

PERSONAL PROTECTION IN

THE HOME

Fullerton, CA

JANUARY

January 7

PISTOL SHOOTING BASICS

Fullerton, CA

January 14

RIFLE SHOOTING BASICS

Fullerton, CA

January 21

SHOTGUN SHOOTING BASICS

Fullerton, CA

January 28

RANGE SAFETY OFFICER

BASICS

Fullerton, CA

CLICK, NO BANG, OH CRAP.

CLEARING MALFUNCTIONS AND SHOOTER-INDUCED STOPPAGES

(PART ONE OF A **TWO-PART SERIES)**

BY GARY F. BRENNAN

s a CCW instructor for my county Sheriff, I have taken many people through their eighthour certification and four-hour recertification

process.During my classes, we discuss the various scenarios you may be faced with while lawfully carrying a handgun. In just about every class, I ask students, "What do you do if you pull the trigger, and nothing happens?" We all know modern handguns are extremely reliable. Proper care and preventive maintenance will usually ensure your pistol works when you need it. Although infrequent, both malfunctions and stoppages can occur. Many people teaching you how to shoot do not properly address the issue of correcting a malfunction or stoppage to get back into the fight.

In part one of this two-part series, we will discuss malfunctions and shooter-induced stoppages. In part two, we will discuss typical firearms-induced stoppages in semi-automatic handguns.

A malfunction is a failure of the pistol to perform as designed. However, a malfunction does not necessarily cause an interruption in the cycle of operation. An example of a malfunction is a broken front sight or no light on a red-dot sight. Although the front sight is an important component of any handgun, it does not affect the firing function of the pistol. When a malfunction occurs, the pistol should be repaired by a certified gunsmith.

A stoppage is an unintentional



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- ► **ABOVE: "Tap"** Finger off the trigger. With the palm of the support hand, firmly push or strike the bottom of the magazine to ensure it's seated in the magazine well. (GARY BRENNAN)
- ► RIGHT: "Rack" Pull the slide completely to the rear and release it to chamber a round. (Do not ride the slide forward.) (GARY BRENNAN)



interruption in the cycle of operation. Stoppages are normally discovered when the pistol will not fire. Most stoppages occur because of shooter error but may also be caused by a mechanical issue.

It is important to understand that there is no one set of procedures that can be performed to clear all or even most of the stoppages that can occur with a handgun. Therefore, you must be trained to quickly assess the cause of the stoppage and take appropriate action to clear it so you can get back into the fight.

If you get into a situation where you have a stoppage, you must act fast and deliberately. Immediate actions are:

- Take cover during a threat situation.
- Assess the cause of the stoppage.
- Take remedial action to clear the stoppage.
- Re-engage the threat, if needed.

TYPICAL SHOOTER-INDUCED STOPPAGES IN SEMI-AUTOMATIC HANDGUNS INCLUDE:

FAILING TO MAKE THE GUN READY

The shooter fails to seat the magazine or cycle the firearm, thus not chambering a round. Like most of the stoppages we will discuss, you can get back into the fight with a simple tap, rack, and assess. Tapping the bottom of the magazine firmly will ensure the magazine is seated properly in the magazine well. Racking the slide, pulling the slide to the rear, and letting it go so the slide spring brings the slide all the way forward seating and locking the slide in battery. Assessing for threats wanting to do you great bodily injury or death and engaging the threat, if present.

(NOTE: Racking the slide tends to get new shooters into shooter induced problems because they do not pull the slide to the rear and let it go. New shooters tend to ride the slide back into place which could keep the slide from locking all the way forward where it locks in battery. Also, newer semi-automatic pistols have new springs which may make it harder to work the slide. If you find yourself doing this, just say to yourself, "pull it to the rear, touch your ear.")

FAILING TO TAKE THE PISTOL OFF SAFE PRIOR TO FIRING

GOLDEN RULESOF GUN SAFETY

- **1. ALWAYS** treat all guns as if they are loaded.
- **2. ALWAYS** keep the gun pointed in a safe direction.
- **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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The shooter either forgets to take the safety off, or the shooter was unsuccessful in their operation of the safety. In a stressful situation your body will be dumping adrenaline and reacting to the instinctual fight-or-flight reaction. Whether you carry with a safety on or off is up to you. We recommend using the safety until just before you shoot, but you need to practice how you carry.

ENGAGING THE SAFETY WHILE FIRING

The shooter accidentally places the firearm on safe when trying to fire. Your grip is one of the most important aspects of shooting properly. If you have this stoppage, check your grip, and adjust.

ENGAGING THE MAGAZINE RELEASE WHILE FIRING

The shooter accidentally presses the magazine release, dropping the magazine. I have seen this happen a few times over the years and once again, it can be attributed to the thumb placement on the grip. Watch you grip!



► "Assess" Bring the pistol back up to eye level and scan for threats. (GARY BRENNAN)

ENGAGING THE SLIDE CATCH LEVER WHILE FIRING

The shooter accidently engages the slide catch lever, causing the slide to lock to the open position.

Once again, this is a grip problem but can also occur with a worn or broken slide catch lever spring. Practice and watch your grip.

CRPA works with and supports the Civilian Marksmanship Program (CMP), a national organization created by federal law that provides citizens around the country with firearm training and learning opportunities, similar to the operations of CRPA.

The CMP's highest priority is serving youth through gun safety education and marksmanship events that encourage personal growth and life skill development. CRPA whole-heartedly joins in and supports these efforts.

CMP has also developed excellent match procedures at competitive and recreational shooting events that are being incorporated into CRPA's own event and match management processes. Individuals can keep informed about CMP affiliated matches by

visiting the CMP's Competition Tracker page at http://ct.thecmp.org.

The CMP also sells select vintage military rifles to qualified U.S. citizens at a great price, along with competitive equipment and memorabilia! You can learn more about getting started on your own marksmanship journey through the CMP at http://thecmp.org/get-started/.

Proper care and preventive maintenance will usually ensure your pistol works when you need it.

JOIN&SUPPORT CRPA'S RANGE COALITION

CRPA's Range Coalition members are businesses, clubs, private and public ranges throughout California. Range Coalition members are united to protect range operations and expand opportunities for public participation in the shooting sports so that all Californians have convenient access to ranges and to marksmanship, self-defense, hunting, safety and other training.

The CRPA Range Coalition advocates for ranges in Sacramento and locally to protect ranges and ensure that any proposed legislation or regulatory policies promote proven and sound best management practices and recognize the value of access to ranges and training programs. Through webinars and Information Bulletins, CRPA provides critical information to coalition members and range operators about environmental, safety, insurance, corporate, legal, operational and other important issues of interest.

California's ranges are encouraged to learn more about CRPA's Range Coalition by emailing CRPA at ranges@crpa.org.

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FAILING TO RESET THE TRIGGER

After firing a shot, the shooter does not let the trigger go forward, thus the trigger cannot reset. You should not fully let go of the trigger after the shot because that wastes valuable time when spit seconds count. During dry fire practice, pull the trigger until the hammer or striker fires on an empty chamber or dummy round and keep the trigger pulled to the rear. While holding the trigger to the rear, rack the slide on an empty gun resetting the hammer or striker. Slowly release your trigger pull until you feel and hear a click when the trigger resets. That is as far as you need to ease off on the trigger after each shot. Once you hear or feel the reset, pull the trigger again if you need to. Removing your finger from the trigger after every shot is called "slapping the trigger" and will result in shots hitting left of center for a right-handed shooter and right of center for a left-handed shooter.

FAILING TO RECOGNIZE THE PISTOL HAS RUN DRY

This seems like a no-brainer, but it happens when adrenaline is flowing. Take cover, reload, and engage the threat. CRPA

Gary F. Brennan is a retired U.S. Naval officer, a former California state park peace officer and was a biological science technician for USDA's Wild-



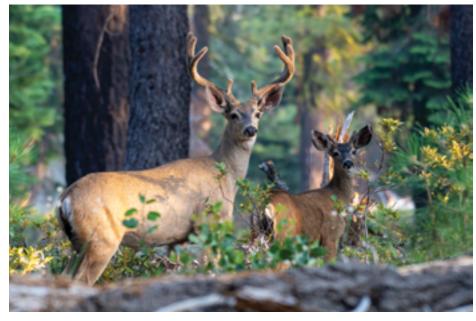
life Services. He is a staff instructor for the American Wilderness Leadership School in Jackson, WY, and a Master Hunter Education instructor for California. Currently, Gary is a staff firearms instructor for Training Resources Maritime Institute in San Diego and is the president of the San Diego County Wildlife Federation.

THE VALUE OF TEAMWORK

BY DAN WHISENHUNT CEO, CALIFORNIA DEER ASSOCIATION

e are blessed to have a team of organizations in

our circles. Organizations like CRPA is our lead organization on the subject of Second Amendment rights. The superior legal counsel that CRPA is founded on and supports all of us makes your organization the "go-to" organization for one common subject that is so dear to us all. We enjoy our relationship with CRPA. The communication between our organizations is very good and getting stronger all the time. The galvanization that has come from the recent challenges to our First and Second Amendment rights, as well as the rest of the Constitution, and has tempered the relationship between the two organizations and their staffs.



► **Two mule deer bucks,** one large and one small, at Yosemite National Park in California. (SHUTTERSTOCK)

Recently, CRPA and California Deer Association has worked together on several issues of common interest to the members of both organizations. This brings more value to the members of both organizations. The value comes from the strength of the voic-

es of two organizations speaking on a subject. This amplifies our voices and our views. Both CRPA and CDA lobby on behalf of their members Second Amendment rights, and we will continue to speak on behalf of the members of both organizations on issues that matter to you!

Like CRPA is the go-to organization in the field of Second Amendment issues and constitutional issues, California Deer Association is the go-to organization for the development and restoration of habitat for deer and other wildlife. What does this mean? It means that CDA helps grow deer and help conserve other wildlife, so hunters have the maximum opportunity to harvest deer and other wildlife.

CDA is currently doing habitat work in five national forests throughout the state, as well as projects on BLM and state-owned properties. These projects encompass tens of thousands of acres and enhance deer herds in immeasurable ways. The habitat activities range from riparian restoration projects to fuels reduction, which clears the forest floor and allows natural vegetation to grow feeding deer and other wildlife. It also reduces the cover for predator species, giving deer and other critters a better chance of survival. CDA is also doing juniper removal. Juniper is an invasive species. A single adult juniper tree can take up to 200 gallons of water per day to survive. The

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elimination of thousands of juniper trees would mean the conservation of hundreds of thousands of gallons of water each day. Springs have started to flow where they had not flown for years after a juniper removal has been completed. Along with the habitat work, CDA is also conserving deer by helping ranchers move fawns out

of fields prior to harvesting activities. These and other activities allow more wildlife, especially deer, to survive. As herds grow, hunters have more opportunity to harvest an animal.

We also partner with other organizations, such as CRPA. Members of the two organizations have common interests, so we often work together on issues such as Second Amendment rights and taxation of firearms and ammunition. You as a member of CRPA and possibly CDA, are helping both organizations to fight the opposition to the Second Amendment. With organizations like CDA and CRPA working together, the value to their members multiplies many times. Working together, we can cover much more ground and talk to many more people. This allows us to accomplish much more by working on the same issues and working them from the same perspective.

So, please consider all your passions. If you are a hunter of any wildlife, you might consider supporting the fight for our Second Amendment rights through CDA and support your hunting with your protected firearms through CDA.

CRPA

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NSSF DENOUNCES USFWS CODIFICATION OF TRADITIONAL **AMMO BANS**

This article was originally published on nssf.org

SSF, The firearm industry trade association, denounced the U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service's (USFWS) Final Rule that offered hunters a "bait-and-switch" deal that banned the use of traditional ammunition for opening 18 national wildlife refuges for new hunting and fishing opportunities. USFWS claimed it "remains concerned that lead ammunition and fishing tackle have negative impacts on both human health and wildlife." It also warned hunters that the future use on additional USFWS lands were open to evaluation.

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dence establishing that the use of traditional lead core ammunition poses a risk to human health or wildlife populations to support its decision to phase in a ban. The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention studied the issue of consumption of wild game harvested with traditional ammunition in 2008 and found no detrimental effects.

"The Biden administration is capitulating to pressure from radical environmentalists and antihunting groups. This ban will price out hunters from

accessing public lands since the cost of alternative ammunition is significantly greater than that of traditional ammunition," said Lawrence G. Keane, Senior Vice President and General Counsel. "The USFWS didn't consider scientific data because none exists to justify this ban. This is a Faustian deal that attempts to placate outdoorsmen and women by offering more opportunities but limiting it to only those who will pay additional costs to participate in their recreational pastimes."

The topic of advocacy posited as



(SHUTTERSTOCK)

pseudo-science was warned by Jim Heffelfinger, a regional game specialist with the Arizona Game and Fish Department and adjunct professor at University of Arizona, Tucson. He published a column in MeatEater warning that alarms over traditional ammunition are "often oversimplified or exaggerated."

NSSF submitted a comment letter to the USFWS proposed rule on the ban. The Service does not appear open to considering any of the industry's relevant evidence or alternatives presented. Alternative courses of action did include initiating an incentivized voluntary adaptation program modeled after the Arizona Game and Fish program that has yielded 88 percent compliance since 2007. Absent sound scientifically proven necessity, NSSF believes hunters should be able to choose the ammunition that best meets their needs, which could include alternative non-lead ammunition. CRPA

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HUNTERS ARE THE TRUE CONSERVATIONISTS!

NSSF DENOUNCES USFWS SETTLEMENT PROPOSAL TO BAN TRADITIONAL AMMO THAT SADDLES LAWYER FEES ON TAXPAYERS

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SSF, The firearm industry trade association, denounces a joint motion for a continuance in *Center for Biological Diversity vs. U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service (CBD v. USFWS)* that seeks to ban the use of traditional lead ammunition and fishing

tackle. Both parties filed for a joint motion to stay proceedings until Nov. 2, but that settlement agreement now includes taxpayers paying the bill for legal and court costs. This settlement proposal is a textbook example of the "sue and settle" schemes brought by activist lawyers and agreed to by government bureaucrats to enact policies that



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cannot survive the lawmaking or rule making process while enriching special-interest groups at taxpayer expense.

"The notion that federal agencies would work hand-in-glove with anti-hunting activists to thwart hunting on National Wildlife Refuges is maddening enough. The proposal that taxpayer dollars will be used to line the pockets of these activist groups should be infuriating to all," said Lawrence G. Keane, NSSF's Senior Vice President and General Counsel. "This is an egregious abuse of the courts and adds insult to injury to actual hunter-conservationists that fund and support those that actually fund wildlife conservation."

The lawsuit seeks to expand the USFWS's recent ban on the use of traditional ammunition that was finalized without a shred of scientific evidence. Instead, it was predicated on the theoretical possibility of detrimental population effects. It is obvious that wildlife populations are vibrant and healthy, a result of nearly a century's worth of excise taxes paid for wildlife conservation. The firearm and ammunition industry has paid over \$15.3 billion since 1937 - or over \$23 billion when adjusted for inflation - that has made the North American wildlife conservation model the envy of the world.

This lawsuit threatens the foundation of that model by banning the

use of traditional ammunition without scientific evidence of detrimental population impacts. The plaintiffs, in a scheme the USFWS is going along with, would eliminate the use of traditional lead ammunition and force hunters to use alternative ammunition that is three to five times more expensive. That move would result in a rapid decline in hunting and fishing, which would hollow-out the revenue sources for wildlife conservation.

NSSF strongly supports bicameral legislative proposals that would mandate policies on the use of traditional ammunition and fishing tackle be based on sound scientific evidence. U.S. Senator Steve Daines (R-Mont.) introduced S. 4940 and U.S. Representatives Rob Wittman (R-Va.) and Bruce Westerman (R-Ark.) introduced H.R. 9088, legislation that would prohibit the Secretary of the Interior and the Secretary of Agriculture from prohibiting the use of lead ammunition or tackle on certain federal land or water under their jurisdiction without scientific evidence of harm to wildlife populations. CRPA

CRPA IS A FOUNDING 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.

Coalition efforts are badly needed in these times of great challenges to our hunting heritage but also in times of great opportunities.

HUNTERS ARE THE TRUE CONSERVATIONISTS!



CRPA'S CHALLENGE TO BAN ON YOUTH FIREARM PROMOTION TAKES MANY TURNS, BUT THE END IS

IN SIGHT

he twisty path of implementation of AB 2571 is one that many members, parents, student athletes, college recruiters, ranges, teams, and pro-**Second Amendment** organizations have been keeping a close eye on since it was introduced this July. AB 2571 is a new law, signed under an emergency order by the Governor, that initially brought all youth shooting, training, and hunting programs to a screeching halt earlier

The first version of the law made it illegal for any member of the "firearms industry" to advertise and market firearms or firearm related products to anyone under the age of 18 years of age in California. This sent youth marksmanship programs into a tail-



BY RICK TRAVIS LEGISLATIVE DIRECTOR

spin. Youth magazines ceased distribution to, and coverage of, minor-focused shooting programs in California. Colleges stopped recruiting our talented youth shooters for college teams, donations from ammunition and firearm manufactures supporting youth programs stopped, and all shooting events that might

involve youth stopped.

If Gavin Newsom wanted to make an impact on the next generation of young 2A supporters, he did—but he also showed all these groups how to fight for the sports they love and for

the juniors who participate in them.

Since the passage of AB 2571, CRPA has publicized how this law causes great problems for groups promoting shooting sports to youth in California. That is why CRPA sued California (Junior Sports Magazine v. Bonta) to try to put an end to it.

Once the politicians saw the lawsuit, the Governor's office started working to divide the 2A community by agreeing to some amendments to the law that would help some, but not all, programs. Although the amended law was helpful, it did not make the law clear, and it did not eliminate all of the risk of being sued for lawfully speaking with youth about firearms and related products. The amended law has led some groups, boards, and individuals to believe they are free to engage with youth in the same ways they could before AB 2571.

This is not the reality.

Looking to the intent of AB 2571, it's clear from the legislative hearing language that youth shooting sports was the intended target and the politicians behind it wanted to end the First Amendment right of speaking to youth about firearms and the Second Amendment. It was only when CRPA filed suit that the state back peddled and then tried to make it seem like the impact on youth shooting sports and

this summer.

hunting was accidental.

In reality, the amendments to the law create some exemptions that merely allows *some* groups to advertise their events and welcome youth members. BUT, the revised law does not protect the speech that occurs at those events.

If you are a range, instructor, or coach you must still be cautious not to "market" any firearms or related products to youth (think of any range you have been to and all of the banners and signs advertising various manufacturers, or the youth shooting jerseys with sponsor logos across the back). All promoters and event pro-

ducers, as well as ranges where events are held, need to be careful and consider whether signs, flyers, brochures, booths, uniforms, logos, or products sold can be considered as marketing that would be "attractive to a minor" and would "encourage a commercial transaction."

No matter what assurances were made by Newsom's office staff in backroom meetings, it's what the law still actually says that matters. When pressed in a hearing on CRPA's injunction request, the government's lawyers refused to concede that a disclaimer posted in publications or locations would limit liability.

Groups cannot rely on statements from Newsom's staffers that the law will not be used against groups and individuals—even if they were not the "intended target"—because Newsom has no control over who can bring a lawsuit against someone. The law still gives private groups who want to eliminate the "gun culture" the right to sue even without government involvement. Newsom has no power to bind any local prosecuting authority (like cities hostile to the Second Amendment) or "private persons" that could come from the folds of anti-gun groups.

This prosecution and private right of action did not change in the new

CORE PRINCIPLES OF

THE NORTH AMERICAN MODEL OF WILDLIFE CONSERVATION

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 and 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.

amended language of the law. We expect the gun ban lobby will recruit and train volunteers to monitor and bring legal actions against what they believe are violations as they read the actual language of the law. And greedy plaintiff lawyers will make a cottage industry of suing groups that promote shooting programs for youth, just as they do with suing over failures to warn about Prop 65, and alleged American with Disabilities Act violations. Gun retailers already must battle against these kinds of lawsuits by lawyers looking to cash in. Now, some in the 2A community are at risk.

CRPA wants stop the assault on youth shooting sports and youth hunting, which is why we continue to fight this in the courts. The revised law does not fix everything. So, we cannot tell volunteers, boards, coaches, and other folks involved in youth shooting

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sports that it's 100% safe to get back in the water. Groups need guidance on what is still barred so they can weight the risks. To help with that, CRPA has a posted an AB 2571 resource webpage that provides helpful resources and information. You can access this page at: crpa.org/ab-2571-reference-resources

In the meantime, CRPA's injunction request to stop the implementation of the amended law was heard and denied in federal court, but not entirely based on the merits of the lawsuit. CRPA is appealing the ruling, and still litigating in district court. And there are other cases challenging AB 2571 in the courts

CRPA will be pursuing the next steps in this case. Sign up for email updates at CRPA.org and follow CRPA on Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, and YouTube for all the latest news.

We have also had people ask about donating specifically to this case. You can do that by entering "AB 2571 *donate*" in the search box on **crpa.org** and following the link to the resulting "Update on AB 2571 Youth Bill-FAQ's" page where you'll find a link to an AB 2571-specific donation page.

Thank you for your support. CRPA

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 nonhunters' sensibilities. Strive to leave them with positive images of
- hunting and hunters.
- Don't flaunt vour 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.



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QUAIL MARSALA WITH HOMEMADE PAPPARDELLE PASTA

BY DAVID WITHERS

love this twist on an Italian classic. The richness from the mushrooms and the sweetness from the Marsala pairs well with game birds. You can also try this recipe with dove or pheasant. The fresh pasta is an ideal compliment to this dish.

8 oz 00 Flour (or strong flour)

2 Whole Eggs

2 Egg Yolks

2 tsp Extra Virgin Olive Oil

½ cup Semolina Flour

Pinch Salt

1/2 tsp Saffron soaked in 2 tbsp boiling water (optional)

QUAIL MARSALA

6 Quail (legs and backbone removed)

½ cup Flour

1 tsp Paprika

1 oz Butter

6 oz Mushrooms, sliced

3 Shallots, finely diced

2 cloves Garlic, crushed

1 tsp Thyme, chopped

1 cup Marsala Wine

1 cup Chicken Stock

Handful Flat leaf parsley for garnish

METHOD











▶ **Fold the flou**r to form a doughball. Cut pasta into 8-inch pieces, then cut into 1-inch ribbons.

PAPPARDELLE PASTA:

*Pasta dough can be made up to 8 hours in advance.

Place flour in a bowl and make a well in the middle. In a separate bowl, whisk the whole eggs, egg yolks, and olive oil. (1) Strain the saffron into the egg mixture. Season flour with a pinch of salt. Pour the

egg mixture into the middle of the flour. Using your hands, slowly fold the flour to form a doughball. Turn out onto a floured surface and knead for about 1 minute, until nice and smooth. Wrap in cling film and refrigerate for at least 2 hours.

Remove dough from fridge. If using a pasta machine, roll out on a

medium setting. Then cut into 8-inch pieces, then cut into 1-inch ribbons. Dust with semolina flour on both sides and refrigerate. If not using a pasta machine, roll out to thickness of a penny. Cut into 8-inch rectangles then 1-inch ribbons. (2) Dust with semolina flour on both sides and refrigerate.

HUNTING & CONSERVATION TRUE ORGANIC RECIPES

QUAIL MARSALA

Bring a large pot of water to boil for pasta.

Place flour and paprika in a bowl. Season with salt and pepper. Dip quail breasts and legs into flour, shake off any remaining flour and place on a plate. In a large frying pan, drizzle with olive oil and heat. When hot, add quail and brown on both sides, approx. 2 minutes. Remove and set aside. In same pan, place pan back on heat and add butter. When melted, add mushrooms, season with salt & pepper and cook for approx. 2 minutes. Then add shallots, garlic, and thyme. Cook for another 2 minutes, do not brown. Add Marsala wine and reduce liquid by half. Add chicken stock, bring to a boil, add quail back to the pot. Turn down and cook for 5 minutes.

Salt boiling water. Add pasta and cook for approx. 2 minutes. Drain pasta well.

ASSEMBLY

Place pasta on a serving platter. Check seasoning of Marsala sauce. Place quail on top of the pasta and cover with Marsala sauce. Garnish with flat leaf parsley. CRPA



► Add quail to frying pan, brown on both sides.



► Add chicken stock, bring to a boil, add quail back to the pot.



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- Activist Life Member Hat
- Activist Life Member Lapel Pin
- CRPA Custom Engraved Life Membership 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
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- ■CRPA Patriot Life Member Hat
- CRPA Patriot Life Member Lapel Pin
- CRPA Custom Engraved Life Member Buck Knife
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- Patriot Life Member Certificate
- Invitations to Exclusive VIP Events, Briefings and Tours
- Personal Recognition from CRPA President
- Custom logo jacket

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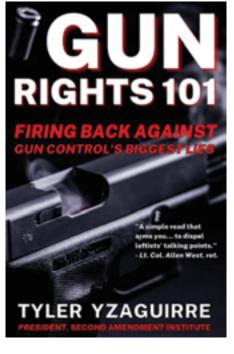
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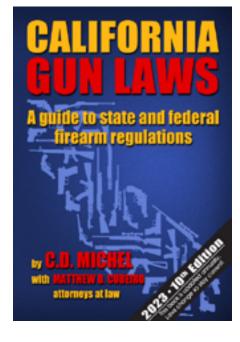
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