

GOA's Top Ten in 2015



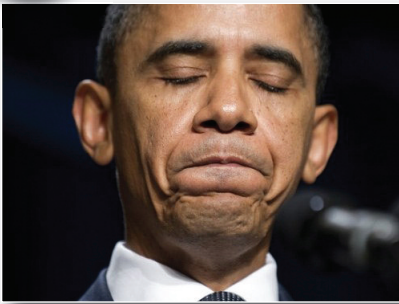
Political Friends & Foes speak to GOA's influence

1. Awarded the Role of Giant Slayer

NewsMax placed GOA's Larry Pratt at Number Two out of 100 in a list of the top Gun Rights activists in the country in 2015. And early in the year, PBS highlighted GOA's role in killing Obama's signature gun control legislation in 2013.



2. Frustrating Barack Obama



GOA mobilized opposition to the ATF ban on the M855 "green tip" ammunition and rallied the grassroots through Internet, Facebook and various media sources. The

Obama administration subsequently backed down and pulled the ban — with the President later confessing that the failure to pass gun control was "the greatest frustration" of his presidency.

3. Pushing Constitutional Carry

GOA-backed bills allowing for permitless carry were transmitted to Governors' desks in five states, and in two of those states — Kansas and Maine — the Constitutional Carry bills were signed into law.



4. Changing Hearts & Minds

GOA representatives appeared in thousands of media outlets this year and spoke at various college campus events, as well. One student posted that she no longer believed the gun control position after watching one of Larry Pratt's debates.



And, in September, another student said Erich Pratt "really made a difference in the [anti-gun] students" after debating a Brady Campaign spokesman in front of hundreds of students.

5. Achieving Victory at the Supreme Court

Gun Owners of America and its Foundation (GOF) won three important cases before the Supreme Court — judgments that will help erect barriers against gun confiscation and protect gun owners from unreasonable searches and seizures.



6. Nullifying Obama's Gun Control



GOA has been encouraging sheriffs and state legislators to push back against Obama's gun control decrees. This Indiana sheriff, who is also a GOA Life Member, said he would defy any anti-gun Executive Order issued by the President.

7. Thwarting Gun-grabbers in Congress

Gun Owners of America lobbied hard to defeat every Senate gun control proposal in December, which led to a frustrated Minority Leader Harry Reid:



"The NRA once called mandatory background checks reasonable. [But] they're being pushed by — they have a competitor now — Gun Owners of America."

— *The Post Oracle*, December 4, 2015

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9. Repealing Gun Control Restrictions

GOA helped enact a bill nullifying federal gun control in Tennessee. And a GOA-backed bill to repeal the 48-hour waiting period became law in Wisconsin.



10. Recognized as the no-compromise defender of the 2nd Amendment

"Gun Owners of America is a group that is over a million strong that is lobbying in Washington [and] will not compromise the fight. That is what's so awesome about Gun Owners of America."

— Radio Host Jim Coyle, March 1, 2015

"Since its founding, Gun Owners of America has built its reputation as the 'no compromise' gun lobby."

— AmmoLand, November 20, 2015



Rep. Ken Buck (R-CO) and GOA Chairman Tim Macy

Filing Suit Against a 30-Year Old Gun Ban

"GOA is correct. There is nothing in the Second Amendment that excludes ownership of any weapon — machine gun or otherwise — from within its protection. In fact, the text of the Second Amendment is very clear ... 'the right of the people to keep and bear arms, shall not be infringed.'"

— Attorney and Journalist Joe Wolverton, December 27, 2015