GOA's Bump Stock Suit Stands Against Backdoor AR-15 Ban

On the day the Department of Justice’s regulations hit the Federal Register, GOA filed suit in the Western District of Michigan. The ATF restrictions require bump stock owners to surrender or destroy their lawfully-acquired property — or be an instant felon. GOA's suit notes that these regulations rewrite established definitions of how firearms function, setting a rule which will be used by the next anti-gun administration to ban semi-automatic firearms like the AR-15. Nonetheless, GOA filed its suit in one of the most pro-gun circuits in the country, so gun owners have reason to hope for a positive decision.

GOA-backed Case to be Heard before the Supreme Court

The Supreme Court recently voted to hear a case concerning New York City’s near-prohibition on possessing or transporting handguns. Gun Owners of America submitted an amicus brief arguing that lower courts must stop implementing a “balancing” test on the Second Amendment — an approach which has led to many anti-gun rulings. Instead, the courts should use the clear text of the Second Amendment as their guide. A successful decision in this case could help gun owners in anti-gun states who have seen the courts upholding unconstitutional gun control laws for far too long.

GOA Hopes to Smack Down the NFA in Appeal to SCOTUS

GOA's case, Kettler v US, protects a disabled veteran who was prosecuted by Obama’s Justice Department after he purchased a suppressor under Kansas’ Second Amendment Preservation Act. At the core of this case is a challenge to the unconstitutional National Firearms Act, which puts onerous regulations on suppressors, short barreled rifles and shotguns, as well as machineguns. In fact, GOA's petition asserts, “The modern NFA is a comprehensive regulatory scheme, masquerading as an exercise of Congress’ taxing power and void for that reason.” This case presents a unique opportunity to roll back some of the most egregious gun control at the federal level.

GOA Fighting Gun Confiscation Orders in Congress and State Capitols

Pictured here is the scene outside the home of Maryland resident Gary Willis, who was the victim of a Red Flag Gun Grab. Willis was shot to death by Maryland police after he answered a 5:17 am knock at his door with a gun in his hand. GOA is fighting these Gun Confiscation Orders at the federal level (S. 7) and around the country. Last year, GOA members were able to kill Red Flag Gun Grabs in over a dozen states where it was seriously considered.

Let’s not celebrate too quickly. [The] bump stock ban will likely be tied up in court for years. Only hours after the Trump administration released its final regulation, Gun Owners of America announced it would file a lawsuit.

—Senator Dianne Feinstein, December 19, 2018
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