SECOND AMENDMENT FOUNDATION
GUN RIGHTS LEGAL ACTIONS

Here are just some of the lawsuits that YOUR Second Amendment Foundation has been and is currently involved in. We've spent a lot of money in court fighting to protect and expand YOUR rights. EACH lawsuit has a price-tag as high as hundreds of thousands of dollars!

- SAF Sues District of Columbia Over Its Concealed Carry Permit Process...SAF filed a lawsuit on behalf of two residents of D.C. and a Florida resident seeking to overturn the city's "good reason" clause for citizens wishing to exercise their constitutional right.

- SAF Spearheads Federal Lawsuit Against I-594...SAF files a lawsuit in federal district court seeking a permanent injunction against enforcement of portions of Initiative 594, alleging that "portions of I-594...are so vague that a person of ordinary intelligence cannot understand their scope," and that other parts violate the Second Amendment outright.

- SAF Sues District of Columbia over Carrying of Handguns...SAF filed a lawsuit on behalf of three residents of D.C. and a New Hampshire resident seeking to compel the city to issue carry permits to law-abiding citizens. The U.S. District Court orders D.C. to allow the carrying of firearms for self-defense.

- SAF Sues on Behalf of California Gun Dealers...Second Amendment Foundation has joined the Calguns Foundation and California Association of Federal Firearms Licensees in support of a lawsuit filed by four California gun dealers alleging a violation of their First Amendment rights to advertise firearms.

- SAF Sues Illinois Over Restrictive CCW Residency Requirements...The Second Amendment Foundation filed a lawsuit in federal district court in Illinois, challenging that state's concealed carry statute that restricts otherwise qualified non-residents the rights and privileges of carrying concealed firearms based solely on their state of residence.

- SAF Sues California and Wins Overturning Waiting Period Statute...SAF, Calguns Foundation and three California citizens have filed a federal lawsuit against the California Department of Justice and Attorney General Kamala Harris, challenging the state's requirement that current gun owners wait at least ten days before taking possession of any additional firearm. Court rules waiting period violates 2nd Amendment rights.

- SAF Sues and Wins Ruling That Allows Gun Rights Restoration for Certain Misdemeanors...the judge has ruled that a man convicted of a serious misdemeanor crime several years ago, but who has demonstrated that he "would present no more threat to the community" than an average law-abiding citizen, may not lose his Second Amendment rights under a federal gun control statute known as 922(g)(1).

- SAF Backs Lawsuit over Handgun Ban in Northern Marianas...The Second Amendment Foundation joined in supporting a lawsuit that challenges the ban on the importation of handguns and ammunition and the possession and use of handguns in the Commonwealth of Northern Marianas Islands.

- SAF Sues and Wins Gun Rights Restoration...A federal judge rules in a small but significant federal court victory in a case that a man convicted of a misdemeanor crime several years ago may not lose his Second Amendment rights under a federal gun control statute known as 922(g)(1).

- SAF Challenges and Wins against Arbitrary Denial of Right to Bear Arms in California...SAF and Calguns Foundation filed a lawsuit seeking to vindicate the right to bear arms against arbitrary state infringement. Ruling is stayed pending appeals in another carry case in California.
SAF Sues Eric Holder over Gun Rights of Non-resident American Citizens...SAF filed a lawsuit seeking an injunction against enforcement of a federal law that makes it impossible for American citizens who reside outside the U.S. to purchase firearms while they are in this country. The case continues.

SAF Sues Chicago on Gun Store Over-Regulation...SAF sues on behalf of individuals desiring to open gun stores in Chicago arguing that the city's laws effectively ban them by making it impossible to comply with the regulations.

The Second Amendment Foundation Supports NJ Carry Appeal...SAF is financially backing a legal challenge to New Jersey carry laws requirement that the applicant show “substantial threat.” The case is in the state Superior Court's Appellate Division.

SAF Challenges Arbitrary Handgun Sales Regulations in Massachusetts...SAF and Comm2A have filed a lawsuit seeking an injunction against the State Attorney General's illegal enforcement of consumer protection regulations that prevent the commercial sale of common semiautomatic handguns. This case was recently dismissed and an appeal is imminent.

SAF Sues Tallahassee, FL, Challenging Illegal Firearms Ordinances...SAF and Florida Carry, Inc. have filed suit against the City of Tallahassee and personally against its mayor and city council for continuing to maintain a series of illegal firearm regulations in violation of Florida's state preemption law.

SAF Sues Village of Norridge on Gun Store Over-Regulation... SAF sues on behalf of individuals desiring to open gun stores in the Village of Norridge arguing that the city's laws effectively ban them by making it impossible to comply with the regulations.

SAF Sues Illinois and Wins over Ban on Carrying Guns for Self-Defense...SAF and Illinois Carry filed suit in federal court, challenging the state's complete prohibition on the carrying of firearms in public for the purpose of self-defense. SAF wins the case and Illinois becomes 50th state to allow concealed carry.

SAF Sues Chicago and Wins over Gun Range Prohibition on 1A, 2A Grounds...SAF and ISRA filed a lawsuit in federal court against the City of Chicago's gun ordinance, asserting that “by banning gun ranges open to the public...” the city is depriving citizens of their right to keep and bear arms in violation of the First and Second Amendments to the U.S. Constitution. The Appellate Court ordered Chicago to end this ban.

SAF Funds Lawsuit Challenging Federal Law on Handgun Purchases...SAF's sister organization, the Citizens Committee for the Right to Keep and Bear Arms has filed a lawsuit in federal court in Texas against Attorney General Eric Holder and B. Todd Jones, director of BATFE, challenging the current federal law prohibiting cross-state handgun purchases.

SAF Wins Permanent Injunction against New Mexico Law Barring CCW Permits for Legal Resident Non-Citizens...SAF has won a permanent injunction in federal district court in New Mexico against that state's prohibition on the issuance of concealed carry permits to legal resident aliens.

SAF Challenges California Handgun Ban Scheme...SAF and Calguns Foundation filed a lawsuit challenging a regulation that arbitrarily bans handguns based on a roster of “acceptable” handguns approved by the State of California. Case has been amended to include new microstamping requirement. Glock files amicus brief in support. Smith & Wesson, Ruger and National Shooting Sports Foundation file declarations in support of SAF's lawsuit. Case is on appeal.

SAF Sues New York State and Gets Consent Decree Regarding Magazine Size Limitation...SAF sued New York State on the magazine size limitation in the state's SAFE Act. State agreed to a court order that it not enforce this part of the statute while appeals goes through the legal system.

SAF and CalGuns Sue and Win Against California's “Assault Weapons” Law Arrest and Win...SAF and Calguns Foundation win a lawsuit in U.S. District Court in California, seeking damages for an unlawful arrest and to have the state's definition of so-called “assault weapons” declared unconstitutionally vague.
SAF Sues Nebraska Over Carry Prohibition for Legal Resident Non-Citizens... The Second Amendment Foundation filed a motion for injunctive relief against Nebraska officials over a statutory prohibition that prevents non-citizens legally residing in the state from obtaining a concealed carry permit. Nebraska is permanently enjoined from denying permits to lawful permanent residents of the state.

SAF Files Amicus in San Diego Gun Permit Case... SAF filed an amicus brief in a case that challenges the constitutionality of discretionary gun permit rules adopted by officials in San Diego County, California. Ninth Circuit declares County’s restrictive concealed carry licensing policy unconstitutional.

SAF Sues and Wins over MA Gun Ban for Legal Non-Citizen Residents... SAF and Commonwealth2A have won a federal lawsuit challenging a law in Massachusetts that denies legal resident aliens the licenses required to possess a handgun in the home for self-defense, or purchase any kind of firearm or ammunition.

SAF Files Federal Lawsuit against New York City over Gun Permit Fees... SAF and the NY State Rifle & Pistol Association filed a federal civil rights lawsuit against New York City alleging the $340 fee for a permit to keep a handgun in the home is “excessive and... impermissibly burdens the Second Amendment right to keep and bear arms.” The U.S. Supreme Court declined to hear the case.

SAF Sues N.J. Officials for Deprivation of Civil Rights on Permit Denials... SAF and the ANJRPC filed suit in U.S. District Court against several NJ officials for deprivation of civil rights under color of law, as a result of their refusal to issue carry permits to qualified citizens. The U.S. Supreme Court declined to hear the case.

SAF Sues Eric Holder, FBI over Misdemeanor Gun Rights Denial... Acting on behalf of a Georgia resident and honorably discharged veteran, SAF filed a lawsuit against Attorney General Eric Holder and the FBI over enforcement of a federal statute that can deny gun rights to someone with a simple non-domestic violence misdemeanor conviction on his record. The U.S. Supreme Court declined to hear the case.

SAF Sues and Wins to Overtake North Carolina’s Emergency Powers Gun Bans... SAF and GNC won a lawsuit seeking a permanent injunction against the governor, local officials and governments from declaring states of emergency under which private citizens are prohibited from exercising their right to bear arms.

SAF Sues Over Missouri Ban On CCW By Legal Resident Non-Citizens and Wins... SAF filed a federal lawsuit on behalf of a Canadian citizen who is a legal resident of Missouri, challenging that state’s statutory prohibition on the carrying of concealed firearms by non-citizens. Missouri rewrites the law because of SAF suit.

SAF Sues and Wins over Public Housing Gun Ban in Warren Co., Illinois... SAF wins a federal lawsuit against the Warren County, Illinois Housing Authority’s ban on personally-owned firearms by residents of government-subsidized housing.

SAF Sues Maryland over Handgun Permit Denial... SAF sued Maryland authorities in federal court because the man’s handgun permit renewal was turned down on the grounds that he could not demonstrate “a reasonable precaution against apprehended danger.” Appellate court strikes down lower court ruling regarding right to carry. U.S. Supreme Court declined to hear the case.

SAF Challenges Ban on Interstate Handgun Sales... SAF has filed suit in U.S. District Court in Virginia challenging the constitutionality of Virginia statutes and provisions of the 1968 G.C.A. barring handgun sales to non-residents. U.S. Supreme Court declined to hear the case.

SAF Files Amicus Brief in Nordyke Case, Argues for Strict Scrutiny... SAF filed an amicus curiae brief in the long-running Nordyke v. King case in California, arguing that Second Amendment issues must be decided on a “strict scrutiny” basis, and that an ordinance in Alameda County banning gun shows at the county fairgrounds is unconstitutional because it would not withstand that standard of review.
· SAF Sues Alameda County for Civil Rights Violation in Gun Shop Case...SAF has filed a federal lawsuit against Alameda County, California and the county's Board of Supervisors for violating the constitutional rights of three businessmen by wrongfully denying them permits to open a gun shop.

· SAF, CalGuns Foundation Sue Oakland, San Francisco Police and Win...SAF has filed a federal lawsuit against the police departments in San Francisco and Oakland, California for refusing to return firearms to people who had been charged with crimes, but subsequently cleared of any wrongdoing. Firearms returned.

· SAF Sues in New York to Void Good Cause Carry Permit Requirement...SAF filed a federal lawsuit against Westchester County, New York and its handgun permit licensing officers, seeking a permanent injunction against enforcement of a state law that allows carry licenses to be denied because applicants cannot show “good cause.” The U.S. Supreme Court declined to hear the case.

· SAF Lawsuit Challenging Chicago's Handgun Ban a Supreme Court Winner! A 5-4 ruling by the U.S. Supreme Court in SAF's case of McDonald v. Chicago incorporated the Second Amendment through the 14th amendment to the states and ended Chicago's handgun ban. Thanks to SAF and ISRA, the Second Amendment right to keep and bear arms applies to all fifty states as well as the federal government. This historic Supreme Court ruling is the most important ruling protecting the right to keep and bear arms in our nation's history.

· Gun Rights Organizations Win Lawsuit to Stop Seattle Ban...SAF, NRA and five local residents won a lawsuit challenging a new Seattle parks regulation that bans firearms, arguing that the ban violates Washington State's long-standing preemption statute.

· SAF Challenges D.C. Handgun Ban Scheme...SAF filed a lawsuit challenging a regulation by District of Columbia city government that arbitrarily bans handguns based on a roster of acceptable handguns approved by the State of California. In order to avoid another loss in court, Washington, D.C. changed the law.

· SAF Sues Washington State for Discriminating against Alien Residents...SAF, joined by the NRA, filed a lawsuit in federal court, seeking to overturn a state law that discriminates against legal resident aliens by violating their Second Amendment rights. The State settled and the law changed because of this suit.

· SAF, CCRKBA and Madison Society, along with a dozen university law professors, filed an amicus brief in the suit to overturn the DC Gun Ban in the U.S. Appellate Court. Additionally, 13 state Attorneys General filed an amicus curiae brief in support of the SAF position to protect the right to Keep and Bear Arms.

· SAF Files Amicus Curiae Brief at U.S. Supreme Court: DC Gun Ban Ruled Unconstitutional...The Supreme Court overturned the DC Gun Ban, ruling that the Second Amendment protects and individual right to keep and bear arms.

· SAF Sues and Wins to Overtun San Francisco Gun Ban...The city appealed SAF’s initial victory overturning the San Francisco Gun Ban. The California Appeals Court unanimously ruled to uphold the lower court’s decision. The city then appealed to the California Supreme Court, which again ruled in SAF’s favor.

· SAF Stops New Orleans Gun Confiscation...SAF negotiated with the City of New Orleans to return the guns they illegally-seized from law-abiding citizens in the aftermath of Hurricane Katrina.

This is merely a sampling of how the Second Amendment Foundation is involved in the fight for YOUR rights! Your financial involvement for our pro-gun rights and pro-Second Amendment Constitutional efforts is URGENTLY NEEDED TODAY!