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Montana Shooting Sports Association

MISSOULA, MO --(AmmoLand.com)- The Montana Shooting Sports Association (MSSA) and the Second Amendment Foundation (SAF) filed a lawsuit in federal court in Missoula today to validate the principles and terms of the Montana Firearms Freedom Act (MFFA).

The MFFA was enacted by the 2009 Montana Legislature, signed by Governor Schweitzer, and becomes effective today, Oct. 1.

Lead attorney for the plaintiffs' litigation team is Quentin Rhoades of the Missoula firm of Sullivan, Tabaracci & Rhoades, PC. The MFFA litigation team also includes other attorneys located in Montana, New York, Florida, Arizona and Washington.

"We feel very strongly that the federal government has gone way too far in attempting to regulate a lot of activity that occurs only in-state," explained MSSA President Gary Marbut. "The Montana Legislature and governor agreed with us by enacting the MFFA. It's time for Montana and her sister

states to take a stand against the bullying federal government, which the Legislature and Governor have done and we are doing with this lawsuit. We welcome the support of many other states that are stepping up to the plate with their own firearms freedom acts."

"We're happy to join this lawsuit," said SAF founder Alan Gottlieb, "because we believe this issue should be decided by the courts."

The MFFA declares that any firearms made and retained in Montana are not subject to any federal authority under the power given to Congress in the U.S. Constitution to regulate "commerce ... among the several states."

The MFFA relies on the Tenth Amendment and other principles to challenge Congress' commerce clause power to regulate a wide spectrum of in-state activities. This is a states' rights effort, using firearms as the object of the exercise.

The MFFA exempts Montana-made and retained firearms, firearm accessories and ammunition from federal power, saying that if these items do not cross state lines, they are strictly INTRASTATE commerce, not INTERSTATE commerce, and not subject to federal authority.

MSSA continues to strongly urge that no Montana citizen attempt to manufacture an MFFA-covered item, even after the law takes effect today, until MSSA can prove the principles of the MFFA in court. Until the courts rule in support of the MFFA, any such manufacturer could be subject to federal criminal prosecution.

This concept has caught national attention. Tennessee has passed a clone of the MFFA. Other clones have been introduced in Alaska, Texas, Florida, South Carolina, Pennsylvania, Michigan and Minnesota. Legislators in 20 other states have indicated that they will introduce MFFA clones in their states once their legislatures reconvene, Marbut said. Information about the Firearms Freedom Act movement is being accumulated and made publicly available at firearmsfreedomact.com.

This movement follows multi-state rejection of Washington-mandated Real ID, a law passed by Congress requiring state drivers licenses to conform to federal identification standards. The FFA movement also works in tandem with resolutions introduced or passed in many states asserting state sovereignty under the Ninth and Tenth Amendments to the U.S. Constitution. As is the rest of the Bill of Rights, the Ninth and Tenth Amendments are limitations on federal power.

The Ninth Amendment says: "The enumeration in the Constitution of certain rights shall not be construed to deny

or disparage others retained by the people.”

The Tenth Amendment declares: “The powers not delegated to the United States by the Constitution, nor prohibited by it to the States, are reserved to the States respectively, or to the people.”

Under our federated system of government in the U.S., Marbut noted, states and the federal government are widely recognized to share power and authority, with definite limits placed on federal power by the states, the creators of the federal government. The MFFA lawsuit is designed to test and define those limits, to assert states’ authority, and to limit what many see as overbearing authority assumed by Congress and the federal government.

Beginning during the New Deal, federal courts have generally upheld federal commerce clause authority, initially in the 1942 case of *Wickard v. Filburn* and continuing recently with the 2005 case of *Gonzales v. Raich*. *Raich* was the Supreme Court case allowing federal regulation of medical marijuana in California. However, other cases such as the 1995 case of *US v. Lopez* suggest that federal commerce power is not infinitely elastic, that there are limits to federal commerce power, and that it has just not yet been determined what those limits may be. The MFFA litigation is structured to clarify and affirm those limits.

The modern era of dramatically-expanded federal commerce clause power was ushered in with the *Wickard* decision. The Supreme Court allowed this considerable expansion of federal commerce power under *Wickard* only after President Roosevelt threatened to pack the Court with cronies if the Court didn’t cease declaring Roosevelt’s New Deal programs to be unconstitutional and beyond federal reach. (http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Commerce_clause)

Copy of Complaint available at:
<http://www.marbut.com/complaint.html>

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About Montana Shooting Sports Association:

MSSA is the primary political advocate for Montana gun owners. SAF is a national organization headquartered in Bellevue, WA that works nationally to advance the interests of gun owners. Visit: www.mtssa.org

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Outdoor Channel Viewers Can Win Big With Gear Up And Go! Sweepstakes

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Outdoor Channel Viewers Can Win Big With “Gear Up And Go!” Sweepstakes

America’s Leader in Outdoor TV Gives Viewers the Chance to Win Daily Prizes Every Day in October!

Grand Prizes include a Customized Honda Rancher ATV; a Trip to the Silverton Casino in Las Vegas; a Celestron Observatory trip to Los Angeles; and a Head-To-Toe Package of Rocky Gear.



Outdoorchannel TV

TEMECULA, Calif. --(AmmoLand.com)- Outdoor Channel (NASDAQ: OUTD), America’s leader in Outdoor TV, today announced that for the month of October, the network is hosting its third annual “Gear Up and Go!” Sweepstakes, an opportunity for viewers to win great outdoor oriented gear and help affiliates “gear up” their local sales teams.

More than 250 participating cable systems nationwide, representing more than 15 million subscribers, have signed on for this cross-platform promotion.

“This is just one of the many ways we drive viewer interaction across multiple platforms while supporting local affiliates and their sales teams,” said Denise-Conroy Galley, Senior Vice President of Marketing and Research, Outdoor Channel. “Last year, the “Gear Up and Go!” Sweepstakes received more than 200,000 viewer enrollments and helped our affiliates drive new opportunities in their markets. This year we’re building off that success to heighten viewer engagement and increase web traffic.”

Presented by Peak Antifreeze, Outdoor Channel's "Gear Up and Go!" Sweepstakes encourages viewers to enter to win at www.outdoorchannel.com. From the main site, consumers can click through to a dedicated "Gear Up and Go!" microsite, which features participating sponsors, daily prizes and a full listing of the "Gear Up and Go!" prizes that are up for grabs.

Grand prizes include:

- · A customized Honda Rancher ATV from Peak Antifreeze
- · A trip to the Silverton Casino in Las Vegas
- · A trip to Los Angeles courtesy of Celestron
- · A head-to-toe package of Rocky Gear
- Daily prizes include:
 - · A Trak kayak
 - · A Magnum wall tent
 - · \$500 Gift Certificate from Rocky Gear
 - · Spyder Paint Ball gear package (vest, goggles)
 - · Travel Scope 70 from Celestron
 - · Primos Dark Horse Hunting Blind
 - · Skymaster 15×70 Binocular from Celestron
 - · C65 Mini Mak Waterproof Spotting Scope from Celestron
 - · Benchmade 551-Orig Griptilian folding knife
 - · Laserguard model LG-431 from Crimson Trace
 - · Clarks boots
 - · Heated Fleece Jacket from Venture Heated Clothing
 - · Cajun Injector Propane Fryer from Bruce Foods
 - · Cajun Injector Electric Smoker from Bruce Foods

About Outdoor Channel Holdings, Inc.

Outdoor Channel Holdings, Inc. owns and operates Outdoor Channel, America's leader in outdoor TV, and Winnercomm Inc., an Emmy Award winning production and interactive company. Outdoor Channel offers programming that captures the excitement of hunting, fishing, shooting, off-road motorsports, adventure and the Western lifestyle and can be viewed on multiple platforms including high definition, video-on-demand, as well as on a dynamic broadband website. Winnercomm Inc.

is one of America's largest and highest quality producers of live sporting events and sports series for cable and broadcast television. Winnercomm also owns and operates the patented Skycam and CableCam aerial camera systems which provide dramatic overhead camera angles for major sports events, including college and NFL football. For more information please visit www.outdoorchannel.com.

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Win a Dream Archery Bear Hunt with Tom Nelson

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Win a Dream Archery Bear Hunt with Tom Nelson

Dead Down Wind is giving one lucky hunter the chance to win a trip with Tom!



Dead Down Wind

Pleasant Valley, MO – -(AmmoLand.com)-Dead Down Wind®, an industry leader in scent prevention, announced that one lucky bowhunter will get the opportunity to participate in an archery-only bear hunt with television personality and host of Dead Down Wind American Archer, Tom Nelson.

“This is a great chance for any avid hunter to experience the thrill of hunting Canadian bear with a bow and one of the best Canadian outfitters, Rob Nye” commented Tom.

To register go to www.deaddownwind.com. No purchase is necessary but contestants must be eligible for international Canadian travel. This includes a passport and no felonies (DUI included). The non-negotiable dates for this trip-of-a-lifetime are June 15th through the 22nd, 2010.

This is truly a trip of the lifetime!". Stated Gary Reed of Dead Down Wind. "Most archers have never had the chance to bear hunt or hunt outside the US. Rob Nye, and Tom have hunted together for years. One of the reasons Tom selected this particular hunt and outfitter is the extremely high success rate with an excellent chance of arrowing a Pope and Young bear. Whoever wins will be in great hands with Tom and Rob."

The hunt will be hosted by Tom Nelson of American Archer, and Rob Nye from Rob Nye Wilderness Adventures (<http://bowsite.com/robyne/>). The first flight will go to Saskatoon and from there Tom and the winner will fly to Stony Rapids, Saskatchewan. To register or for complete details visit www.deaddownwind.com and click on the Register To Win graphic with Tom Nelson's photo.

About Dead Down Wind:

Dead Down Wind is a premium supplier of quality scent prevention products designed to help outdoor enthusiasts become more successful in the field. Dead Down Wind revolutionized the scent elimination industry through the development of a bio-engineered process known as ESPTM (Enzyme Scent Protection). Through this process a strand of enzymes is created that targets human bacteria – the source of human odor. Without intervention your body produces bacteria that create human odor. Unlike cover sprays that can only attempt to mask these odors, or carbon clothing that only attempts to contain it., the enzymes in Dead Down Wind® actually PREVENT odor-causing bacteria from forming – allowing you to maintain a zero scent environment.

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Supreme Court To Hear Lawsuit Against Chicago's Handgun Ban

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IllinoisCarry.com

Illinois --(AmmoLand.com)-Today the U.S. Supreme Court announced it will hear an appeal of the case of the McDonald vs Chicago lawsuit concerning Chicago's ban on handguns . The lawsuit was filed over a year ago on June 26, 2008 on the heels of a favorable ruling by SCOTUS in the Washington, DC vs Heller case . In that case the Court ruled the Washington, DC handgun ban unconstitutional.

The Illinois State Rifle Association and the Second Amendment Foundation filed the lawsuit on behalf of four Chicago residents, Otis McDonald, Adam Orlov, and Colleen and David Lawson. The U.S. 7th Circuit Court of Appeals upheld the ban and the case was appealed to the U.S. Supreme Court.

The case, now known as McDonald vs Chicago, is being viewed by many Second Amendment supporters as a possible historic landmark in the battle for the right to keep and bear arms. The Second Amendment is the only amendment listed in the Bill of Rights that the Court has not applied to the states or what is known as "incorporated" to the states. States and local governments have interpreted that lack of incorporation to mean they can issue any restrictions on the right to keep and bear arms they deem appropriate – up to and including outright bans on whole classes of firearms such as handguns.

McDonald vs Chicago offers the U.S. Supreme Court the opportunity to not only strike down the Chicago handgun ban but also makes it possible for the Court to incorporate the Second Amendment to the states. The Heller case didn't call for a ruling on the issue of incorporation because that case involved a federal entity, Washington, DC, and did not involve a state or local government.

If incorporation takes place, state and local governments will be called to recognize the Second Amendment and law-abiding citizens will then begin to have a reasonable expectation of exercising their right to keep and bear arms.

Congratulations to the Illinois State Rifle Association, the Second Amendment Foundation, and the plaintiffs in bringing this case before

the U.S. Supreme Court. You can follow the case at ChicagoGunCase.com.

About:

The IllinoisCarry forum was started in April 2004. The idea was that Illinois needed a central location to communicate ideas and information regarding 2nd Amendment issues in Illinois. There are many organizations in Illinois working to protect our 2nd Amendment Rights. Working with these groups IllinoisCarry has become the central location for information and Action Alerts. IllinoisCarry will not endorse political candidates. We simply provide information so voters can make informed decisions. Our goal is to join the other 48 states that allow their citizens to carry concealed firearms. We encourage you to register on our forum and join the fight for your 2nd Amendment Rights in Illinois.

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Alligator Hunters End Season With Good Haul

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Arkansas Game & Fish Commission

LITTLE ROCK, AR --(AmmoLand.com)- Arkansas's third season of alligator hunting was another successful event for many Arkansans.

The second and final weekend of Arkansas's third alligator hunt much the same as the first weekend.

Several hunters, who did not take an alligator during the first weekend, were successful during the final weekend of hunting.

In all, 12 hunters picked up their trophies before the Sept. 28 close of the season.

Each applicant was required to have a valid resident big game license. Hunters were also required to attend one of three training workshops in August to become eligible to take an alligator.

Applicants were allowed to hunt 30 minutes after sunset on Friday, Sept. 18 until 30 minutes before sunrise on Monday, Sept. 21 and from 30 minutes after sunset on Friday, Sept. 25 until 30 minutes before sunrise on Monday, Sept. 28. The bag limit is one alligator at least 4 feet long.

Zone 1 Alligator Harvest

Kenny Starr – Bois D'Arc Lake, Hempstead County, 6' 11"

Chris Mueller – Cypress, Hempstead County, 9' 4"

John Howard – Swan Lake, Lafayette County, 7'

Brendan Burrell – Queen's Plantation, Miller County, 12' 11"

Zone 3 Alligator Harvest

John Taylor – Lower Arkansas Wetland Complex, 10' 11"

Jeff Olson – Lower Arkansas Wetland Complex, 5' 4"

Ronnie Cato – Lower Arkansas Wetland Complex, 4' 4"

Toby Staggs – Lower Arkansas Wetland Complex, 7' 5"

Anthony Brown – McClendon Wetland Complex, 4' 11"

Richard Hoss – Lower Arkansas Wetland Complex, 8' 7"

Rhonda Hampton – Hamptons Wetland Complex, 8' 3"

Reese Strickland – Private Land At Large Tag, 7' 11"

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Arkansas Game & Fish Commission

PONCA, AR --(AmmoLand.com)- Daniel Dickerson of Bryant didn't have the easiest draw for an elk permit in the just-ended September hunt along the Buffalo River.

Dickerson's permit was for Elk Zone 2, an area from Arkansas Highway 7 downstream to Arkansas Highway 123. It's a section that is hard to get around in, and some of it includes private land not open to elk seekers.

But Dickerson, who is 23, and his helpers took their time, looked at several areas and settled on a tract called the Wilson field.

Dickerson also saw something he liked, a large oak tree that had fallen. This was concealment for him, and his pulse thumped when several cow elk walked into view then a 5x6 bull elk. He aimed carefully, fired and downed the bull. He was using a .300 Magnum bolt action rifle, a Ruger Model 77.

It was a nice one. Access with a vehicle was difficult, and a full weighing wasn't possible.



Elk Hunter Daniel Dickerson of Bryant AR

Dickerson was one of four hunters who took bull elk during the September hunt. Three of four public land permit holders were successful, and one elk of a quota of three was taken in Elk Zone A, which is private land. The hunt was five days. Another hunt comes up Dec. 7-11, and there will be more permitted hunters on public land along with hunting in both Zone A and Zone B on private land.

The public land permits, which are free, were issued in late June after an application period of the month of May.

Horace Smith of Daytona Beach, Fla., with his 6x6 bull that weighed 800 pounds. Of the four bull elk taken in the September hunt, Smiths had half of them. Horace Smith of Daytona Beach, Fla., had a 6x6 bull that weighed 800 pounds. Mike Smith of Little Rock got the Zone A bull, a 5x5, with his 7mm Magnum rifle.

The other bull fell to Mike Balenko of Cabot in an area called Jamison Field near Woolum in Searcy County. Balenko found the bull with a group of cow elk, took his time, sighted carefully and downed the bull with a .300 magnum rifle. It was a 7x7, meaning seven points on each side of its antlers.

Conditions were generally favorable for the September hunt. Temperatures were average for this time of the year, but a heavy rain the second night of the hunt raised creeks and made some areas of the Buffalo River country inaccessible for the hunters.

This is the 12th year of limited permit elk hunting in Arkansas. The big animals were once native to the state but disappeared nearly 150 years ago. They were restored beginning in 1981 with 112 imports from western states, mainly Colorado, in an Arkansas Game and Fish Commission project spearheaded by the late Hillary Jones of Pruitt (Newton County), an AGFC commissioner at the time.

The elk have done well and now number 450 to 500, with the National Park Service, which operates Buffalo National River, and the Rocky Mountain Elk Foundation joining AGFC in habitat improvement and

other projects for the elk.

A major benefit has been the influx of visitors to the area just to view the elk. Many are easily seen along Arkansas Highway 43 in Boxley Valley, south of Ponca in Newton County. Best times for seeing elk are just after daylight and just before dark.

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Iowa Gun Owners

Iowa - -(AmmoLand.com)-Our goal was to spread the message of Iowa Gun Owners to like minded 2nd Amendment supporters in Iowa as well as obtain petitions to the Iowa State Senate urging the Senate to vote on the REAL Right-to-Carry bill.

(After receiving a tie vote in the House last session of 49-49, our next goal is to obtain a vote in the State Senate so we can inform you, our members, where your State Senator stands on the 2nd Amendment.)

Our booth at the show was a tremendous hit! Iowa Gun Owners succeeded in obtaining over 500 signed petitions to the Iowa State Senate from Friday night through Saturday afternoon!! That's 500 new people who are now aware that there is a No Compromise gun rights group in Iowa at last, dedicated to fighting for their right to keep and bear arms. Many of these people joined as regular dues paying members as well.

Iowa Gun Owners was also pleased to have State Representative Kent Sorenson drop by and meet some of our members and friends!

At the show we met a lot of interesting people from the Central Iowa region. All are tired of Iowa's terrible gun laws. One of these people was a woman from Eastern Iowa. Originally from Austria, this woman has lived in Iowa for the past 18 years and has no criminal background of any kind. She told us that she was born in Austria, right after it was freed by Allied Forces in 1945.

While having no personal knowledge of that time, she vividly remembers her parents and neighbors telling her about the gun registration and eventual confiscation initiatives that preceded Austria's takeover by the Axis forces.

She told us that she supports our work 100% because she can see the gun laws in the US and in Iowa heading right down that road unless we organize and stop them now!

Oh yeah, and her sheriff won't give her a permit to carry either because

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Iowa Gun Owners has Successful Gun Show in Des Moines

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Last weekend Iowa Gun Owners attended a gun show in Des Moines.



State Representative Kent Sorenson (R-74) (Left, in suit) and IGO's Executive Director Aaron Dorr (Right) explaining the REAL Right-to-Carry bill to 2nd Amendment supporters at the gun show.

he doesn't think the Constitution mentions anything about carrying weapons for self-defense.

The overwhelming message we took away from Des Moines is that the people of Iowa are sick and tired of a permit system that requires law abiding citizens to beg permission from the government to be able to defend their families.

The excitement at the No Compromise philosophy of IGO's REAL Right-to-Carry bill was contagious. We had doctors, line workers, pastors, laborers, farmers, and even some law enforcement officers (yes, in full uniform) sign our petition and join our organization.

For all the members that came by and introduced themselves to us, thank you. It is a big encouragement to meet our members in person.

Our next gun show is in Council Bluffs. Dates are October 9 and 10, 5-9pm on the 9th and 9am-5pm on Saturday and it's being held in the Westfair Amphitheatre (22984 Highway 6).

This will be an important show for us because as we press ahead to obtain a vote on our bill in the State Senate, Senator Mike Gronstal, Majority Leader of the Senate from Council Bluffs, will be a major obstacle to overcome. It will be vital to have grassroots pressure ready to bring to bear on him in the form of petitions during the session.

So if you live in the area of South West Iowa, and especially if you are in the Council Bluffs area, please come out and meet us!

Yours for the Right to Keep and Bear Arms,

Aaron Dorr
Executive Director

About:

Iowa Gun Owners (IGO) was formed in January of 2009 to combat the oppressive gun laws in the State of Iowa. IGO does not believe that you, as a law abiding citizen, should have to beg permission from the government to be able to defend yourself and your family. That's why we are working so hard to get a Vermont/Alaska style carry law passed in Iowa. In these states, unless you are a convicted felon or otherwise barred from possessing weapons, you don't need a permit to carry a gun for self-defense! Join us now!

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The OhioCCW Training Site Is Back Online

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The OhioCCW Training Site: OhioCCWTraining.org – Is Back Online



Ohioans For Concealed Carry

Ohio --(AmmoLand.com)-OhioCCWTraining.org is a free resource dedicated to helping all Ohioans locate quality firearms training classes in their area.

First launched in 2004, our training site has become a popular resource, and we are confident this re-launch will improve usability for those seeking classes.



OhioCCWTraining.org

Firearms training instructors can list their training classes for any skill level, including basic firearms safety, safe handling and storage, concealed carry training, and advanced defensive tactics.

Classes are displayed in an easy to read calendar view, making it easy for those seeking training to find an upcoming class close to home.

Unfortunately, when the OFCC website was hacked and had to be rebuilt, not all services were able to be restored at once. Today, the training site became the latest service to come back online.

Visit www.OhioCCWTraining.org to view training available or to list your class if you're an instructor!

About:

Ohioans for Concealed Carry, founded in 1999, is a grassroots political activist organization. When founded, the primary goal of OFCC was getting concealed carry passed into law in Ohio. With that accomplished, our mission became to refine the concealed carry law and to expand and preserve the rights of all gun owners in Ohio. Visit: Ohioocw.org

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United States Supreme Court to Hear 2nd Amendment Incorporation Issue

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United States Supreme Court to Hear 2nd Amendment Incorporation Issue

Written by Derek Andrew DeBrosse, Esq.



Ohioans For Concealed Carry

Ohio --(AmmoLand.com)-During this summer's Firearms Legal Seminar at the Annual NRA Meeting in Phoenix, Arizona, a central question was whether or not the U.S. Supreme Court would hear the Second Amendment incorporation issue.

Today that question has been answered in the affirmative.

Why is this case important?

Courts have always held that the Bill of Rights in the United States Constitution applies only to the Federal Government. (E.g., "CONGRESS shall make no law...") The fundamental freedoms only protect citizens from their states when the Supreme Court incorporates those rights, or rules that the Fourteenth Amendment rights to Due Process of Law or Privileges and Immunities (which specifically refer to the states), encompass those rights.

To date, each of the rights contained in the first ten amendments to the United States Constitution have been incorporated through the Fourteenth Amendment except for the Second Amendment right to keep and bear arms and the right to be indicted by a grand jury in felony cases, an important part of the Fifth Amendment.

Last year, the case of District of Columbia v. Heller recognized that the Second Amendment is a right held by individual citizens, not some amorphous group of "the People." Today, the Supreme Court of the United States announced that it will hear an appeal in the case of McDonald v. City of Chicago to determine whether that federal right also offers protection from states and municipalities.

The Plaintiff in McDonald is a Chicago resident who asked the courts to overturn the city's substantial regime of gun control. He lost at trial in the United States District Court, and also lost on appeal to the United States Court of Appeals for the Seventh Circuit.

This will be the first time Justice Sandra Sotomayor will rule on a firearms issue as a member of the nation's highest court.

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ATK Receives Contract for M228 Practice Grenade Fuzes

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ATK Receives \$9.7 Million Follow-on Contract for M228 Practice Grenade Fuzes

Contract Options Could Raise Total Award Value to \$50 Million Over Five Years. Contract Follows Successful Run-up to Full Rate Capacity on Highly Automated Production Line.



ATK

MINNEAPOLIS, MN --(AmmoLand.com)- Alliant Techsystems (NYSE: ATK) has received a follow-on production contract valued at \$9.7 million for M228 Practice Grenade Fuzes. The contract was awarded by the U.S. Army Contracting Command, Rock Island, Illinois, and follows an initial production contract awarded to ATK in 2005.

If all options are exercised, the total value of the contract would be worth approximately \$50 million throughout the expected production run from the fall of 2010 thru 2015. Work on the contract will be performed by ATK at the Allegany Ballistics Laboratory in Rocket Center, W.Va.

The M228 fuze attaches to the reusable M-69 training grenade body. When initiated during training exercises, the fuze precisely measures a time delay before detonating a small black powder charge that creates realistic audio and visual cues for the warfighter to enhance the training experience.

“ATK installed a highly-automated production line to ensure that the M228 meets the quality and delivery standards our customers expect,” said Bart Olson, Vice President and General Manager of ATK Tactical Propulsion and Controls. “ATK’s high-rate manufacturing capability provides the U.S. Army the ability to effectively meet hand grenade training requirements, and prepare our warfighters for the challenges they will face in battle.”

ATK has produced more than 7.5 million fuzes for U.S. and allied customers.

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MINNEAPOLIS, MN --(AmmoLand.com)- Alliant Techsystems (NYSE: ATK) has received an initial \$105 million contract award as part of a three-year contract by the U.S. Army Sustainment Command in Rock Island, Ill., to supply various types of non-standard (non-NATO) ammunition for the security forces of Afghanistan.

If all options are fully exercised, the contract value could potentially exceed \$200 million. This is ATK’s second contract from the U.S. Army to supply non-standard (non-NATO) ammunition for the security forces of Afghanistan. The first \$87 million contract award was announced in December 2008.

In this new contract, ATK will integrate a larger team of international manufacturers for the delivery of non-standard (non-NATO) munitions, including small, medium and large-caliber ammunition, as well as mortars and rockets. ATK’s program and technical expertise, coupled with its global supply chain management capability, will ensure continued timely deliveries of quality non-standard (non-NATO) ammunition to Afghanistan.

“ATK continues to expand its global presence through international outreach initiatives,” said Mark DeYoung, President ATK Armament Systems. “By using ATK’s core strengths and the in-depth knowledge gained during the original Afghanistan non-standard ammunition program, we are providing low-risk armament systems solutions to meet the continuously emerging requirements of our customers.”

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