

**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
FOR THE CENTRAL DISTRICT OF ILLINOIS  
SPRINGFIELD DIVISION**

ELLEN MISHAGA,	)	
	)	
Plaintiff,	)	
	)	
-vs-	)	No. 10-3187
	)	
JONATHON MONKEN,	)	
	)	
Defendant.	)	

**DEFENDANT’S ANSWER AND AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSES**

Now comes the Defendant, JONATHON MONKEN, Director of the Illinois State Police, by and through his counsel, Lisa Madigan, Attorney General for the State of Illinois, and for his Answer and Affirmative Defenses states as follows:

**INTRODUCTION**

1. Defendant admits that Plaintiff purports to bring an action for declaratory and injunctive relief, but denies that Plaintiff has any meritorious claims in law or in fact. Defendant denies the remaining allegations contained in paragraph 1 of the Complaint.

**JURISDICTION**

2. Defendant admits that Plaintiff purports to invoke the jurisdiction of this Court pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1331, 28 U.S.C. § 1343(a)(3), and 42 U.S.C. § 1983, but denies that Plaintiff has any meritorious claims in law or in fact. Defendant denies the remaining allegations contained in paragraph 2 of the Complaint.

**VENUE**

3. Defendant admits that venue is proper in United States District Court for the Central District of Illinois but denies the remaining allegations contained in paragraph 3 of the Complaint.

**PARTIES**

4. Defendant has insufficient knowledge to admit or deny the allegation in paragraph 4 of the Complaint.
5. Defendant has insufficient knowledge to admit or deny the allegation in paragraph 5 of the Complaint.
6. Defendant admits that he is the Director of the Illinois State Police. Defendant further admits that the Illinois State Police is responsible for the issuance of Illinois Firearm Owner Identification (“FOID”) Cards. Defendant admits that Plaintiff purports to bring an action against him in both his individual and official capacities, but denies that Plaintiff has any meritorious claims in law or in fact. Defendant denies the remaining allegations in paragraph 6 of the Complaint.

**STATEMENT OF FACTS**

7. The allegations contained in paragraph 7 of the Complaint seek a legal conclusion and Defendant denies that they are applicable to this case. Defendant further denies that the allegations contained in paragraph 7 of the Complaint are a complete and accurate statement of the law.
8. The allegations contained in paragraph 8 of the Complaint seek a legal conclusion and Defendant denies that they are applicable to this case. Defendant further denies that the allegations contained in paragraph 8 of the Complaint are a complete and accurate statement of the law..
9. The allegations contained in paragraph 9 of the Complaint seek a legal conclusion and Defendant denies that they are applicable to this case. Defendant further denies that the

allegations contained in paragraph 9 of the Complaint are a complete and accurate statement of the law.

10. The allegations contained in paragraph 10 of the Complaint seek a legal conclusion and Defendant denies that they are applicable to this case. Defendant further denies that the allegations contained in paragraph 10 of the Complaint are a complete and accurate statement of the law.
11. The allegations contained in paragraph 11 of the Complaint seek a legal conclusion and Defendant denies that they are applicable to this case. Defendant further denies that the allegations contained in paragraph 11 of the Complaint are a complete and accurate statement of the law.
12. The allegations contained in paragraph 12 of the Complaint seek a legal conclusion and Defendant denies that they are applicable to this case. Defendant further denies that the allegations contained in paragraph 12 of the Complaint are a complete and accurate statement of the law.
13. The allegations contained in paragraph 13 of the Complaint seek a legal conclusion and Defendant denies that they are applicable to this case. Defendant further denies that the allegations contained in paragraph 13 of the Complaint are a complete and accurate statement of the law.
14. The allegations contained in paragraph 14 of the Complaint seek a legal conclusion and Defendant denies that they are applicable to this case. Defendant further denies that the allegations contained in paragraph 14 of the Complaint are a complete and accurate statement of the law.

15. The allegations contained in paragraph 15 of the Complaint seek a legal conclusion and Defendant denies that they are applicable to this case. Defendant further denies that the allegations contained in paragraph 15 of the Complaint are a complete and accurate statement of the law.
16. The allegations contained in paragraph 16 of the Complaint seek a legal conclusion and Defendant denies that they are applicable to this case. Defendant further denies that the allegations contained in paragraph 16 of the Complaint are a complete and accurate statement of the law.
17. Defendant denies that there are no exceptions to the FOID Card Act relevant to this case. The remaining allegations contained in paragraph 17 of the Complaint seek a legal conclusion and Defendant both denies that they are applicable to this case and further denies they are a complete and accurate statement of the law.
18. The allegations contained in paragraph 18 of the Complaint seek a legal conclusion and Defendant denies that they are applicable to this case. Defendant further denies that the allegations contained in paragraph 18 of the Complaint are a complete and accurate statement of the law.
19. Defendant has insufficient knowledge to admit or deny the allegations in paragraph 19 of the Complaint.
20. Defendant denies the allegations contained in paragraph 20 of the Complaint.
21. Defendant denies the allegations contained in paragraph 21 of the Complaint.
22. The allegations contained in paragraph 22 of the Complaint seek a legal conclusion and Defendant denies that they are applicable to this case. Defendant further denies that the

allegations contained in paragraph 22 of the Complaint are a complete and accurate statement of the law.

23. Defendant has insufficient knowledge to admit or deny the allegations in paragraph 23 of the Complaint.
24. Defendant has insufficient knowledge to admit or deny the allegations in paragraph 24 of the Complaint.
25. Defendant admits that Plaintiff submitted an application for a FOID Card to the Illinois State Police. Defendant has insufficient knowledge to admit or deny the remaining allegations in paragraph 25 of the Complaint.
26. Defendant admits Plaintiff's application was denied by the Illinois State Police. Defendant denies the remaining allegations in paragraph 26 of the Complaint.
27. Defendant admits that Plaintiff submitted an application for a FOID Card to the Illinois State Police. Defendant has insufficient knowledge to admit or deny the remaining allegations in paragraph 27 of the Complaint.
28. Defendant admits Plaintiff's application was denied by the Illinois State Police. Defendant denies the remaining allegations in paragraph 28 of the Complaint.
29. Defendant admits Plaintiff's applications were denied by the Illinois State Police. Defendant denies the remaining allegations contained in paragraph 29 of the Complaint.
30. Defendant has insufficient knowledge to admit or deny the allegations in paragraph 30 of the Complaint.

**FIRST CLAIM FOR RELIEF**  
(FUNCTIONAL FIREARM BAN)  
(RIGHT TO KEEP AND BEAR ARMS)  
(DECLARATORY AND INJUNCTIVE RELIEF)

31. Defendant repeats and realleges his answers to the allegations contained in paragraphs 1-30 of the Complaint.
32. The allegations contained in paragraph 32 of the Complaint seek a legal conclusion and Defendant denies that they are applicable to this case. Defendant further denies that the allegations contained in paragraph 32 of the Complaint are a complete and accurate statement of the law.
33. Defendant denies the allegations in paragraph 33 of the Complaint.
34. Defendant denies the allegations in paragraph 34 of the Complaint.
35. Defendant denies the allegations in paragraph 35 of the Complaint.

**SECOND CLAIM FOR RELIEF**  
(DISCRIMINATION AGAINST NONRESIDENTS)  
(RIGHT TO TRAVEL)  
(DECLARATORY AND INJUNCTIVE RELIEF)

36. Defendant repeats and realleges his answers to the allegations contained in paragraphs 1-35 of the Complaint.
37. The allegations contained in paragraph 37 of the Complaint seek a legal conclusion and Defendant denies that they are applicable to this case. Defendant further denies that the allegations contained in paragraph 37 of the Complaint are a complete and accurate statement of the law.
38. The allegations contained in paragraph 38 of the Complaint seek a legal conclusion and Defendant denies that they are applicable to this case. Defendant further denies that the

allegations contained in paragraph 38 of the Complaint are a complete and accurate statement of the law.

39. Defendant denies that there are no exceptions to the FOID Card Act relevant to this case. The remaining allegations contained in paragraph 39 of the Complaint seek a legal conclusion and Defendant both denies that they are applicable to this case and further denies that they are a complete and accurate statement of the law.
40. Defendant has insufficient knowledge to admit or deny the allegations in paragraph 40 of the Complaint.
41. Defendant denies the allegations contained in paragraph 41 of the Complaint.
42. Defendant denies the allegations contained in paragraph 42 of the Complaint.
43. Defendant denies the allegations contained in paragraph 43 of the Complaint.

**PRAYER FOR RELIEF**

- A. Defendant denies that Plaintiff has any meritorious claims in law or fact which entitle her to declaratory relief.
- B. Defendant denies that Plaintiff has any meritorious claims in law or fact which entitle her to declaratory relief.
- C. Defendant denies that Plaintiff has any meritorious claims in law or fact which entitle her to injunctive relief.
- D. Defendant denies that Plaintiff has any meritorious claims in law or fact which entitle her to any relief.
- E. Defendant denies that Plaintiff has any meritorious claims in law or fact which entitle her to any relief.

**AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSES**

1. Some or all of Plaintiff's claims are barred by the Eleventh Amendment.
2. Plaintiff lacks standing to bring some or all of the claims asserted in the Complaint.
3. Some or all of the claims asserted in the Complaint are not ripe.
4. Some or all of the claims asserted in the Complaint are moot.

Respectfully Submitted,

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**CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I, Joanna Belle Gunderson, Assistant Attorney General, hereby certify that on December 17, 2010, I electronically filed the foregoing Answer and Affirmative Defenses with the Clerk of Court using the CM/ECF system which will send notification of such filing to the following counsel of record for Plaintiff:

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and I hereby certify that on December 17, 2010, I mailed by United States Postal Service, the document to the following non-registered participant:

NONE

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