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**IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA**  
**FOR THE COUNTY OF FRESNO**

DANNY VILLANUEVA, NIAL  
STALLARD, RUBEN BARRIOS,  
CHARLIE COX, MARK STROH,  
ANTHONY MENDOZA, and  
CALIFORNIA RIFLE & PISTOL  
ASSOCIATION, INCORPORATED,

Plaintiffs,

v.

XAVIER BECERRA, in his official  
capacity as Attorney General for the State  
of California; STEPHEN LINDLEY, in his  
official capacity as Chief of the California  
Department of Justice, Bureau of Firearms;  
CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF  
JUSTICE; and DOES 1–10,

Defendants.

Case No.: 17CECG03093

[Assigned for All Purposes to the Honorable  
Judge Mark Snauffer; Dept.: 501]

**DECLARATION OF RUBEN BARRIOS IN  
SUPPORT OF PLAINTIFFS' MOTION FOR  
PRELIMINARY INJUNCTION**

Hearing Date: January 30, 2018  
Hearing Time: 3:30 PM  
Judge: Mark Snauffer  
Department: 501

Action Filed: September 7, 2017

**DECLARATION OF RUBEN BARRIOS**

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2           1.       I, Ruben Barrios, a resident of Fresno County, California and a citizen of the United  
3 States, am a plaintiff in the above-entitled action. I make this declaration of my own personal knowledge  
4 and, if called as a witness, I could and would testify competently to the truth of the matters set forth  
5 herein.

6           2.       I am a law-abiding citizen who is not prohibited from firearm ownership under the laws  
7 of the United States or the state of California. I have never been found by any law enforcement agency,  
8 any court, or any other government agency to be irresponsible, unsafe, or negligent with firearms in any  
9 manner.

10          3.       I currently own a semi-automatic, centerfire rifle that qualifies as an “assault weapon”  
11 under the most recently amended definition in California Penal Code section 30515, subdivision (a)(1). I  
12 lawfully obtained and built this firearm between January 1, 2001, and December 31, 2016, and have  
13 continued to possess it since that time for lawful purposes, including self-defense.

14          4.       I intend to register my rifle as an “assault weapon” prior to July 1, 2018, because, if I do  
15 not, I can no longer lawfully possess it per California Penal Code section 30900, subdivision (b). I have  
16 refrained from registering it at this time because I do not wish to be forced to comply with Defendant’s  
17 illegally adopted and invalid regulations as a condition of being able to do so. But for Defendant’s  
18 current regulations being illegal, I would immediately register my rifle as an “assault weapon.”

19          5.       I filed this lawsuit for the purpose of being able to register my rifle, and thus continue to  
20 possess, my property (“assault weapon”) without being subjected to Defendant’s illegally adopted and  
21 invalid regulations.

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1 I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the forgoing is  
2 true and correct.

3 Executed November 17, 2017, at Fresno, CA.

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7 Ruben Barrios  
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**PROOF OF SERVICE**

STATE OF CALIFORNIA  
COUNTY OF FRESNO

I, Laura Palmerin, am employed in the City of Long Beach, Los Angeles County, California. I am over the age eighteen (18) years and am not a party to the within action. My business address is 180 East Ocean Boulevard, Suite 200, Long Beach, California 90802.

On January 5, 2018, I served the foregoing document(s) described as:

**DECLARATION OF RUBEN BARRIOS IN SUPPORT OF  
PLAINTIFFS' MOTION FOR PRELIMINARY INJUNCTION**

on the interested parties in this action by placing

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X (BY ELECTRONIC MAIL) As follows: I served a true and correct copy by electronic transmission through OneLegal. Said transmission was reported and completed without error.

X (STATE) I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the foregoing is true and correct.

Executed on January 5, 2018, at Long Beach, California.

  
LAURA PALMERIN