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SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

FOR THE COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO

DAVID GENTRY, JAMES PARKER, MARK MIDLAM, JAMES BASS, and CALGUNS SHOOTING SPORTS ASSOCIATION,

Plaintiffs and Petitioners,

V.

XAVIER BECERRA, in His Official Capacity as Attorney General For the State of California; STEPHEN LINDLEY, in His Official Capacity as Acting Chief for the California Department of Justice, BETTY T. YEE, in Her Official Capacity as State Controller, and DOES 1 - 10,

Defendants and Respondents.

Case No. 34-2013-80001667

[PROPOSED] ORDER GRANTING PLAINTIFFS' MOTION FOR ATTORNEYS' FEES

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On January 14, 2022, at 10:00 a.m. in Department 21 of the Superior Court of California, County of Sacramento, located at 720 9th Street, Sacramento, California 95814, this Court heard the motion of Plaintiffs David Gentry, James Parker, Mark Midlam, James Bass, and Calguns Shooting Sports Association (collectively, "Plaintiffs") for an award of reasonable attorneys' fees incurred in this matter against Defendants Robert Bonta, in his official capacity as Attorney General for the State of California, Stephen Lindley, in his official capacity as Acting Chief for the California Department of Justice, and Betty T. Yee, in her official capacity as State Controller (collectively, "Defendants"). Appearances were as noted in the record.

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1	The Court, having read and considered the motion, opposition, reply, and having heard and
2	considered the oral arguments of counsel, and good cause appearing, rules as follows:
3	1. Plaintiffs' Motion for Attorneys' Fees on Appeal is GRANTED.
4	Plaintiffs are entitled to fees under Code of Civil Procedure section 1021.5, because their
5	lawsuit resulted in the enforcement of an important right affecting the public interest. Plaintiffs'
6	case not only benefitted every existing and future ammunition purchaser and seller in California,
7	but it vindicated every Californian's fundamental, individual right to be free from the burden of
8	vague laws that violate due process and infringe on their Second Amendment right.
9	Plaintiffs' lodestar amount of \$604,851.50 for work on the merits, and \$48,051.50 for work
10	on the fee motion, is reasonable both in terms of the time and labor counsel expended on appeal,
11	and in terms of the Plaintiffs' counsel's hourly rates. As presented in Plaintiffs' declarations and
12	evidence, counsel reasonably spent 1,558.5 hours to successfully litigate this case through
13	summary adjudication and trail. Plaintiffs' counsel also reasonable spent 125.0 hours to litigate
14	fees. And Plaintiffs' counsel's hourly rates, ranging between \$170 and \$650, are consistent with
15	the prevailing Long Beach market rate for attorneys and paralegals of comparable skill,
16	experience, and reputation in the practice of constitutional or civil rights law and general civil
17	litigation.
18	2. Plaintiffs shall be AWARDED reasonable attorneys' fees in the amount of
19	\$604,851.50.
20	IT IS SO ORDERED.
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22	Dated: Honorable Shelleyanne W.L. Chang
23	Judge of the Superior Court
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1 PROOF OF SERVICE 2 STATE OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO 3 I, Laura Palmerin, am employed in the City of Long Beach, Los Angeles County, California. I am over the age of eighteen (18) years and am not a party to the within action. My 4 business address is 180 East Ocean Blvd., Suite 200, Long Beach, CA 90802. 5 On October 12, 2021, the foregoing document described as 6 [PROPOSED] ORDER GRANTING PLAINTIFFS' MOTION FOR ATTORNEYS' FEES 7 on the interested parties in this action by placing 8 ☐the original ⊠a true and correct copy 9 thereof enclosed in sealed envelope(s) addressed as follows: 10 Ryan A. Hanley Deputy Attorney General California Department of Justice 11 1300 I Street, Suite 125 12 P.O. Box 944255 Sacramento, CA 94244-2550 13 Ryan.Hanley@doj.ca.gov 14 Attorney for Defendants 15 ⊠ (BY OVERNIGHT MAIL) As follows: I am "readily familiar" with the firm's practice of 16 collection and processing correspondence for overnight delivery by UPS/FED-EX. Under the practice it would be deposited with a facility regularly maintained by UPS/FED-EX for 17 receipt on the same day in the ordinary course of business. Such envelope was sealed and placed for collection and delivery by UPS/FED-EX with delivery fees paid or provided for in 18 accordance with ordinary business practices. 19 ☐ (BY MAIL) As follows: I am "readily familiar" with the firm's practice of collection and processing correspondence for mailing. Under the practice it would be deposited with the 20 U.S. Postal Service on that same day with postage thereon fully prepaid at Long Beach, California, in the ordinary course of business. I am aware that on motion of the party served, 21 service is presumed invalid if postal cancellation date is more than one day after date of deposit for mailing an affidavit. 22 23 I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the foregoing is true and correct. 24 Executed on October 12, 2021, at Long Beach, California. run Paleire 25 26 27 28 3