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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
CENTRAL DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

STEVEN RUPP, et al.,

Plaintiffs,

vs.

ROB BONTA, in his official capacity as
Attorney General of the State of
California,

Defendant.

Case No.: 8:17-cv-00746-JLS-JDE

**DECLARATION OF RICHARD
MINNICH IN SUPPORT OF
PLAINTIFFS' MOTION FOR
SUMMARY JUDGMENT**

Hearing Date: July 28, 2023
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Courtroom: 8A
Judge: Josephine L. Staton

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Motion for Summary Judgment;
Memorandum of Points and Authorities;
Statement of Uncontroverted Facts and
Conclusions of Law; Request for
Judicial Notice; Declarations of Sean A.
Brady, Steven Rupp, Steven Dember,
Cheryl Johnson, Christopher Seifert,
Alfonso Valencia, Troy Willis, and
Dennis Martin; Proposed Judgment]

DECLARATION OF RICHARD MINNICH

I, Richard Minnich, am the Treasurer for Plaintiff CALIFORNIA RIFLE & PISTOL ASSOCIATION, INCORPORATED (hereafter “CRPA”). I make this declaration of my own personal knowledge and, if called as a witness, I could and would testify competently to the truth of the matters set forth herein.

1. CRPA is a non-profit membership and donor-supported organization classified under IRC section 501(c)(4) and incorporated under the laws of California with its headquarters in Fullerton, California.

2. Founded in 1875, the CRPA seeks to defend the Second Amendment and advance laws that protect the rights of individual citizens. CRPA works to preserve the constitutional and statutory rights of gun ownership, including the right to self-defense, the right to hunt, and the right to keep and bear arms. CRPA is also dedicated to promoting the shooting sports, providing education, training, and organized competition for adult and junior shooters. CRPA’s members include law enforcement officers, prosecutors, professionals, firearms experts, and members of the public.

3. CRPA Works to preserve the constitutional rights of all law-abiding individuals, including the fundamental right to keep and bear commonly owned firearms for the core lawful purpose of self-defense.

4. I know members of Plaintiff CRPA who own semi-automatic, centerfire rifles with non-fixed magazines that were forced to register their firearm as an “assault weapon” with the California Department of Justice before July 1, 2018. These members are prohibited under the AWCA and its related regulations from replacing their firearm’s “bullet button” with a standard magazine release, and but for those restrictions would do so.

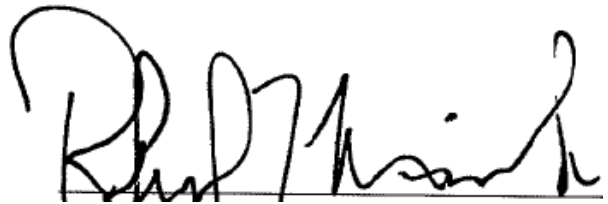
5. I know of members of Plaintiff CRPA who own firearms that were previously registered as “assault weapons,” including Category 1, Category 2, and Category 3 firearms.

1 6. Members of Plaintiff CRPA who lawfully own registered “assault
2 weapons” are prohibited by the AWCA and its related regulations from engaging in
3 certain activities that are otherwise lawful with any other firearm not classified as an
4 “assault weapon,” and but for those restrictions would engage in such activities with
5 their registered “assault weapon.”

6 7. I know of members of Plaintiff CRPA who, but for the AWCA and its
7 related regulations, would acquire, transfer, and/or possess firearms classified as
8 “assault weapons,” and are continuously and irreparably harmed by the ongoing
9 deprivation of their individual, fundamental right to possess and use commonly
10 possessed firearms for lawful purposes, including in-home self-defense, without
11 risking criminal prosecution.

12 I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.
13 Executed within the United States on May 26, 2023.

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Richard Minnich
Declarant

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE
IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
CENTRAL DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

Case Name: *Rupp, et al. v. Bonta*
Case No.: 8:17-cv-00746-JLS-JDE

IT IS HEREBY CERTIFIED THAT:

I, the undersigned, am a citizen of the United States and am at least eighteen years of age. My business address is 180 East Ocean Boulevard, Suite 200, Long Beach, California 90802.

I am not a party to the above-entitled action. I have caused service of:

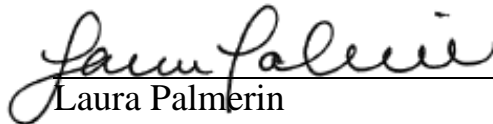
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on the following party by electronically filing the foregoing with the Clerk of the District Court using its ECF System, which electronically notifies them.

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I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

Executed May 26, 2023.



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