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> Re: *Caleb Barnett, et al. v. Kwame Raoul*, et al., No. 23-1825 (consolidated with Nos. 23-1353, 23-1793, 23-1826, 23-1827, and 23-1828) Appellees' Citation of Supplemental Authority Pursuant to Rule 28(j)

Plaintiffs-Appellees write to notify this Court of a recent ruling by the District Court for the Southern District of California in *Duncan v. Bonta*, S.D. Cal. No. 3:17-cv-01017-BEN-JLB, Dkt. No. 149. That ruling comports with the District Court ruling in *Caleb Barnett, et al.* and may be of considerable persuasive value to this court.

In ruling that the common magazines at issue are undoubtedly "arms" under the Second Amendment because they are necessary for modern firearms to operate correctly, the *Duncan* court also rejected California's argument that magazines over a certain capacity are not protected arms because they are supposedly not commonly used in self-defense. "[A]n arm needs only to be regarded as typically possessed or carried, or commonly kept, by citizens to be ready for use, if needed." *Duncan*, at p. 21. Further, "Constitutional protection is afforded to weapons 'typically possessed by law-abiding citizens for lawful purposes,' focusing on typicality and possession rather than frequency of firing." *Id.* at 23.

The *Duncan* court also pointed out that what matters for historical comparison is regulations on *firearms* specifically, because *Bruen* thrice said a modern law must be consistent with the "Nation's historical tradition of *firearm regulation*." *Id.* at 48 (citing *Bruen*, 142 S. Ct. at 2126, 2130, and 2135). Moreover, Plaintiffs were "correct in asserting that there are no Founding-era categorical bans on firearms in this nation's history." *Id.* at 50.

Finally, the *Duncan* court noted that none of California's list of proposed analogues, over 300 in total, were persuasive because none barred the mere possession of common arms. Instead, the most relevant analogues were "the manifold early militia laws requiring each citizen, not to limit the amount of ammunition he could keep, but to arm himself with enough ammunition: at least 20 rounds." *Id.* at 67. The Court concluded that "There is no American history or tradition

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of regulating firearms based on the number of rounds they can shoot, or of regulating the amount of ammunition that can be kept and carried." Id. at 70.

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