



## **Exercising the Right**

### **States Seek to Neutralize Biden's Gun-control Executive Orders**

As President Biden intends to further the gun-control agenda by using unconstitutional executive orders, a few red states are preparing to prevent the enforcement of those measures within their borders. Newsmax reported on April 26 that the state of Idaho was in the process of passing legislation that would prevent the enforcement of any of Biden's planned gun-control executive orders. The law, titled the Idaho Firearm and Firearm Accessories and Components Protection Act, was supported by State Senator Steve Vick, who explained that it was meant to "prevent local law enforcement from enforcing unconstitutional gun laws that are unconstitutional at the state level. We have a little stronger constitutional amendment in our constitution than the Second Amendment. We're trying to be proactive, not reactive." Vick added that this new law is an extension of one passed back in 2014 and adds to protections that are already in place.

The resistance to Biden's gun-control agenda isn't just limited to state legislators, as the governor and attorney general in Missouri are vowing to fight for Second Amendment-protected rights. The Daily Wire reported on June 19 that Missouri Governor Mike Parson signed into law the Second Amendment Preservation Act on June 14. The law states that law-enforcement agencies in Missouri will be liable up to \$50,000 per individual police officer who tries enforcing unconstitutional federal gun laws. According to Governor Parson, the "Second Amendment Preservation Act is about protecting law-abiding Missourians against government overreach and unconstitutional federal mandates.... We will reject any attempt by the federal government to circumvent the fundamental right Missourians have to keep and bear arms to protect themselves and their property."

Parson and Missouri Attorney General Eric Schmitt wrote a letter to the Department of Justice (DOJ) in response to a letter the DOJ sent them that criticized their pro-Second Amendment measure. In their response, Parson and Schmitt highlighted the hypocrisy from the Biden administration, which supports local states and municipalities refusing to comply with federal immigration law but now demands that those same entities follow any new gun-control dictates. "President Biden rescinded President Trump's executive order that prohibited federal grant awards to sanctuary jurisdictions that refused to cooperate with the federal government to enforcement immigration laws.... President Biden and the Department of Justice have decided to reward states and cities that refuse to cooperate with enforcing constitutional immigration laws that protect our citizens against foreign threats, but now they attack Missouri for refusing to cooperate with enforcing unconstitutional gun confiscation laws that put our citizens in danger and degrade their rights," Parson and Schmitt wrote.

### **FBI Agitators Target Second Amendment Supporters**

Revolver.news ran an explosive news report on June 14 that exposed how the FBI may have been involved in sting operations to entrap Second Amendment supporters. While the majority of the Revolver exposé covered federal involvement in the so-called insurrection of January 6, 2021, it also explained how federal informants had been involved in earlier attempts to goad Second Amendment supporters into illegal acts.



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To explain how similar actions may have been taken by the feds with regard to the January 6 incident, Revolver explored the details surrounding the arrests of 14 people for allegedly plotting to kidnap Michigan Governor Gretchen Whitmer, which occurred a few months earlier. The Michigan plot involved at least two informants and two undercover agents, according to Revolver. The exposé explained how federal actors initially tried goading the men charged in the plot into using a Second Amendment rally as a starting point for storming the state Capitol. Revolver also noted how feds met people at a Second Amendment rally whom they eventually involved in the Michigan plot. The story itself was fascinating, and it's a stark reminder of the danger posed to all Second Amendment supporters who are active in grassroots activism. As we have seen for years, federal agents or their informants will act as *agents provocateurs* and attempt to entrap patriotic Second Amendment supporters into committing criminal acts. So be cautious and avoid any people who claim to be Second Amendment supporters but who engage in what is referred to as "fedposting," which is slang for threatening criminality and/or inciting others to engage in criminal acts.

## **McCloskeys Surrender Their Firearms, Immediately Buy New Ones**

Mark and Patricia McCloskey became household names last summer when they stood in their front yard, holding firearms, to defend their St. Louis home from Black Lives Matter protesters who broke into their gated community. They ended up getting charged in the matter by a George Soros-funded district attorney. Fox News reported June 21 that, as part of a plea deal in which they pleaded guilty to lesser charges and paid a fine, the couple had agreed to turn in those firearms they were seen holding in the viral video. The good news is that the plea deal did not prevent them from buying new guns, which is what they immediately did. Mark posted pictures of himself and his wife with their new AR-15 on his Twitter account. "Checking out my new AR!" Mark McCloskey tweeted, showing two photos of himself holding his new rifle.

Mark is running for the U.S. Senate in Missouri as a Republican, and told Fox News that he and his wife are "strong advocates of the Second Amendment and we're going to continue to exercise our rights and protect ourselves." He also said, "We intend to keep our arms and bear them. We're a constitutional carry state. I will replace those [guns] which the state took."



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