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## JPFO Position on “Smart Guns”

by Rabbi Judah Freeman

“Smart Guns” is a false name, a clever euphemism, for making guns incapable of firing, and substituting deceptive “safety” devices to replace real safety, common sense and proper training.

The concept has been developed and promoted almost exclusively by left-wing anti-gun-rights advocates (and idiot movie producers!) as a way to advance so-called “common-sense gun-safety measures.” These have long since been exposed as disarmament and subarmament policies that JPFO and all freedom-loving people rightfully reject.

Major firearms manufacturers have studied the so-called “smart gun” issue and have come out adamantly opposed to it for numerous valid reasons, detailed in separate analyses available online, with an especially lucid one posted by Beretta, the firm that made the U.S. Army’s sidearm for years. Police departments nationwide and our U.S. Military have rejected the bad ideas promoted as “smart” for sound evidence and policy-based reasons, because the devices are foolhardy. To put it simply, “smart guns” are STUPID.

Beretta concluded that so-called “smart guns” would significantly increase the numbers of deaths and accidents by instilling a false sense of safety, encouraging leaving loaded guns exposed, relying on fallible mechanisms, making guns inaccessible to others

when needed, becoming inadvertently unlocked, or locked, failing to recognize unlocking when needed, discouraging proper safety measures and handling, testing that consistently failed to provide desired results by police and military users, and much more.

Gains made in teaching smart storage and handling, which have dramatically reduced accidents, would be wiped out by the introduction of dubious gizmo safety substitutes.

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The reason anti-gun-rights advocates like this concept is hoplophobic – it is a way to prevent guns from shooting. This satisfies their rampant inner terrors, because a gun that cannot shoot is seemingly safe and therefore acceptable in their horror-filled weak

psychologies. They fixate on and really like this idea of guns that cannot shoot.

What really needs attention is their sad mental state, but they steadfastly resist treatment, intervention or even rudimentary firearms training and gun-safety classes. Training and gun-safety classes are how you get smart with guns. Not by introducing batteries or devices that prevent firearms from working properly under duress.

Every car owner knows what it’s like to get stuck because the vehicle won’t start with a dead battery – especially in snow or a storm – or at the ends of the Earth. Cell phones are all the proof you need that, if your life depends on it, you can’t depend on a charge, effectively eliminating every electronic “smart” gun solution.

Physical barriers such as locks, secret decoder rings, fingerprint detectors (don’t wear gloves!), twist-off mechanisms and hidden parts are either easily defeated, rendering them a false sense of security, or can delay access with mortal results. Criminals, invaders, jihadis, even tyrants, it should be noted, fail to reliably use such “safety” gear, even if it is required by law. Go figure.

JPFO opposes efforts that require reducing the ability of firearms to properly discharge ammunition on an instant’s notice without warning. Such proposals are infringement. Infringement is banned by the Constitution, which JPFO recommends following.

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# Million Shekel Quiz

See if you can get these EZ Gun-Test Questions right!

**1.** If we put a 30-day wait, double FBI and TSA extra-scrutiny background check, one-a-month limit and fingerprint requirement on the purchase of AR-15-style rifles, Muslim ji-

hads will be stopped from assaults.

☐ Yes. ☐ No. ☐ Don't know.

**2.** A total ban on those black machines of death will stop jihadis.

☐ Yes. ☐ No. ☐ Don't know.

**3.** A ban on the sale or possession of semiautomatic handguns and revolvers will stop armed robberies.

☐ Yes. ☐ No. ☐ Don't know.

**4.** Requiring the confiscation of all guns in America will disarm criminals.

☐ Yes. ☐ No. ☐ Don't know.

**5.** Confiscation is already required for all guns found in criminal hands.

☐ Yes. ☐ No. ☐ Don't know.

**6.** It's good to leave school children in ignorance about guns and teach nothing about the subject, including in American history classes.

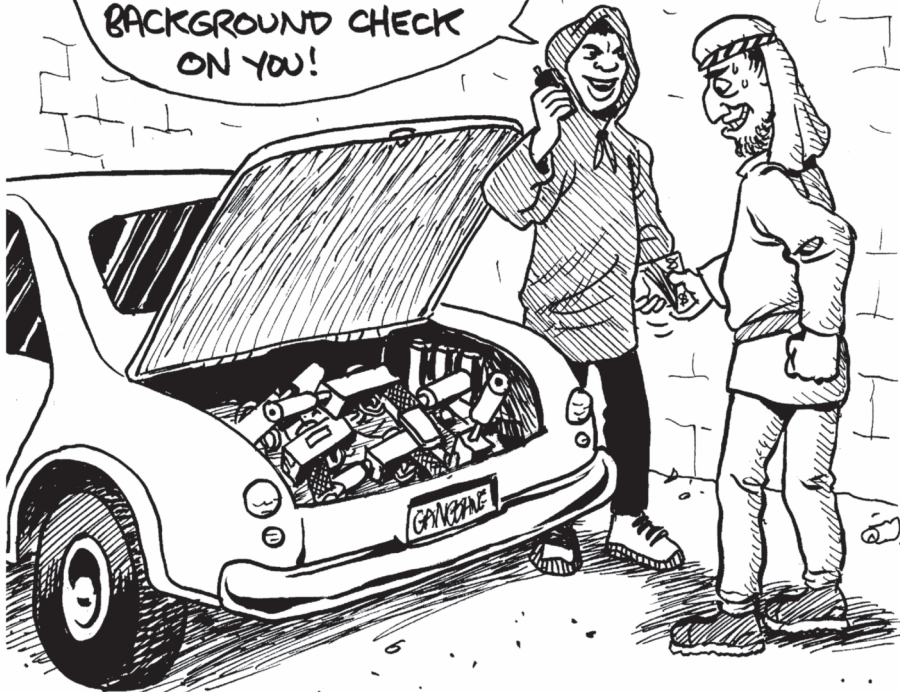
☐ Yes. ☐ No. ☐ Don't know.

If you answered Yes, No or Don't know to any of these questions you should increase your membership in JPFO or give a guest membership to someone you know or don't know.

☐ Yes. ☐ Yes. ☐ Yes.

## NOW, TAKE THIS QUIZ

THANKS, MOHAMMED - NOW JUST GIMME A SEC TO CALL IN AND MAKE A BACKGROUND CHECK ON YOU!



YEAH, RIGHT.

Illustration by Kjartan Arnorsson

**Q: Will another "gun-control" law make this happen?**

**A: Only "gun-control" advocates believe more checks will affect criminals. Everyone else knows background checks burden the innocent, don't deter villains, and are unrelated to the horrible tragedies promoted by the "news" to support anti-rights law-making. When you read the actual bills, they are nothing like what the reporters or politicians say they are. Remember: Disarming or otherwise weakening innocent people makes *YOU* morally guilty when they are victimized by aggressors. Disarming or subarming innocent people is an act of violence.**

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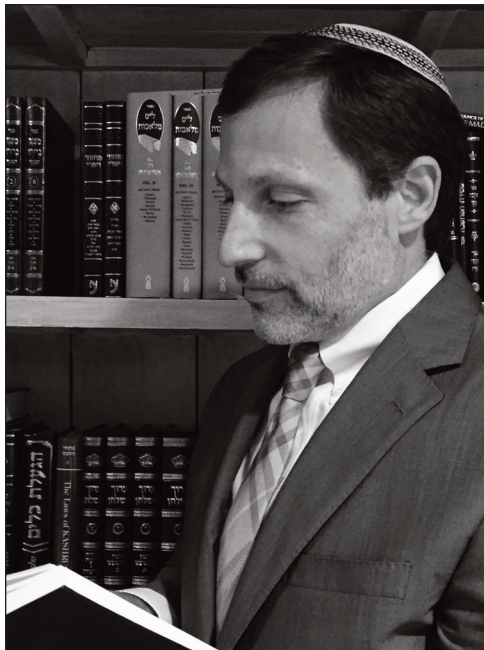
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# The Rabbi's Round

## On the question of "gun control" and Jewish Law



by Rabbi Dovid Bendory,  
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The world is changing rapidly around us in unpredictable ways. Given that at least half of U.S. households own firearms, it would have once been unthinkable for a presidential candidate to unequivocally condemn firearm owners, and yet that is exactly what one hopeful has done – to cheering throngs – pledging to make destroying the NRA and America's "gun culture" a number one priority in the White House.

The Orthodox Union is the largest and most prominent association of Orthodox Jews in the United States. Hundreds of U.S. synagogues are affiliated with the OU, and as such it rarely takes a controversial position. I spoke with the OU Director of Synagogue Services and several members of the OU Board of Directors a few years back regarding the need for better security in our synagogues. Part of this involved starting an OU program promoting trained and discreet firearm carry as one layer of defense for our sacred institutions. At the time, few were willing to listen to me.

So imagine my surprise when the Summer 5776/2016 edition of *Jewish Action* – the magazine of the OU,

September 2016

which is delivered to thousands of Jewish households – ran stories on, "Should I carry a gun?" and "Gun Control in Halachah" (Jewish Law).

Hillary Clinton advocates a repeal of the important Protection of Lawful Commerce in Arms Act. Passed by Congress in 2005, the PLCAA prohibits frivolous lawsuits against manufacturers, distributors, and retailers of firearms and ammunition when guns are used in criminal acts. She says the

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PLCAA is evil, and that no other industry has such "special protection" from lawsuits. Like so much she says, that's a flat-out lie. No other industry is so subject to suit for the criminal misuse of its products (though it's been fruitlessly tried on occasion).

The PLCAA protects the gun business from frivolous lawsuits staged by Bloomberg-and-Soros front groups

with the goal of bankrupting the industry. Our military testified to Congress that destroying domestic arms manufacturing could irreparably damage our defensive readiness. What other industry is so demonized that it needs special protection from liability for assault – through the courts and the "news" media by agenda-driven interest groups?

The article on "gun control" in *Jewish Action*, interestingly enough, focused not on self-defense and the obligation to defend innocent lives (with deadly force when necessary), a topic I have written much about, but rather on commerce in weaponry. Some 2,000 years ago, the Talmud (Avodah Zarah 15b-16a) prohibited selling weapons not only to known bandits but also to groups of people known to associate with bandits. The Talmud could have prohibited Jews from participating in any form of commerce with arms, but it did not – I assume because Jewish Law has always recognized that weapons are neither good nor evil but rather tools that can be used for either.

That is the furthest that Jewish Law is willing to go in terms of what we would call "gun control" in modern times: a prohibition on selling weapons to those the seller knows or has reason to believe will use them in criminal activity. That's what I would call "common sense gun control," a phrase gun prohibitionists use to refer to all sorts of excessive prohibitions applied to innocent, law-abiding citizens.

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# The Moyel's Tips

## Is Bloomberg Above The Law?

This man's Mayors For Illegal Guns campaign is non-stop bad news, but it keeps getting treated as if it's significant somehow, by lapdogs in the "news" where watchdogs are needed. His supporter, anti-gun-rights former California state senator Leland Yee is now serving five years in federal prison on charges related to gun running.

Yee, a Brady Campaign honoree, for anti-gun-rights legislative efforts, was particularly recognized for co-sponsoring so-called micro-stamping legislation. The convicted felon joins a hall of infamy pioneered by various members of Bloomberg's "Mayors Against Illegal Guns" and their string of criminal cases – though Yee's hypocrisy as a gun-banner running guns is particularly notable.

The Associated Press reported that sentencing judge Charles Breyer, "called the weapons allegations against Yee unfathomable and said it was frightening that Yee would be willing to go entirely against his public position on guns in exchange for money." JPFO members were not the least bit surprised.

## Israelis Improve Crowd Control

Skunk spray! Leave it to Israelis to invent an ingenious new crowd control method! For those who want less violent means in handling protests, this seems to be the perfect fit – riot-control that really works. Non-toxic, non-lethal, but Palestinians want it banned because it makes them feel degraded. Other nations want to buy some.

Israeli biomedical engineers provide a model for the rest of us – or must we treat violent demonstrators more nicely? Officials say they only use it when protesters turn violent, assaulting police.

Safe enough to drink, virtually impossible to tolerate, it lingers for weeks, safer than rubber bullets. The main problem seems to be that violent protesters complain it is "a degrading form of abuse." So stop attacking police! How does that compare with being shot for aggravated assault?

<http://tinyurl.com/hut4zut>

## Ammo Shortage Shortened

Rumors that government ammo buys were creating the ammo shortage a few years back were unfounded, just the rumor mill churning. Direct contact with our ammo plants confirmed that it was pure market-driven supply-and-demand problems. People were buying ammo as fast as they could, the plants couldn't keep up and the public buys more ammo than officials by a significant amount.

Good news: Sig Sauer announced plans to build a new ammo facility in Jackson, Ark., creating about 50 new jobs, according to governor Asa Hutchinson. Responding to demand Remington is also expanding its ammo production facility plant at Lonoke, Ark., creating 84 new jobs. The lamestream media missed the job growth. Skeptics cite "positive gun-related news" as the reason.

## PBS Acts Normal – Deceives Public on 4th of July

Fog is now grounds for displaying phony footage and claiming it's real, according to PBS, the "public" TV station funded in part by U.S. taxpayers and left-leaning advertisers. Its transmission of the Wash., D.C., fireworks display used old footage to disguise the fact that the night was cloudy and the display wasn't clear. The only problem was the audience could tell – the Capitol repair scaffolding wasn't there and the sky was miraculously clear. When discovered and angrily outed on social media, PBS lied to hide their deception. Why are we not surprised?

This is standard behavior for this uber-liberal station. When it comes to firearm news, PBS is quick to use biased language and report on criminal misuse of guns, but suppress the overwhelming news of positive use of firearms for crime prevention and deterrence, sport, self-defense training, commerce, balance of trade, scientific advancements, school competitions, tax-base contributions, wildlife-habitat funding, wilderness conservation and building character in our youth.

No charges or punishment or dismisals are planned for perpetrators of

the massive public fraud. "It was the patriotic thing to do," PBS tweeted, according to *USA Today*. The patriotic thing would be to fire the liars.

## If You Hate Guns

First, the Moyel reminds us... it's not good to hate. People who think they eschew hate see no problem with hating guns, which is the first sign they need treatment – desperate hypocrisy. Then they hate gun owners, decent people who believe in and support The American Way, the second sign they need treatment. Finally, they cannot distinguish between good Jewish people – or any decent people – who are armed – and madmen, criminals, jihadis, tyrants and all misfits who are armed and you must defend yourself against, since laws alone don't do the trick. The haters are why JPFO fights the good fight, and why you should join with us. You don't have to be Jewish to fight by our side. Get a membership for a friend, increase your own, or go to our website and buy some swag. Push back against the folks who join up with the dark side of the force.

## Southern Poverty Lawless Center

JPFO Founder Aaron Zelman battled with the controversial Southern Poverty Law Center over their misunderstanding of what JPFO is all about. They never met a gun restriction they didn't like – they are ardent supporters of so-called "gun control." One focus of JPFO has a strong religious identity – the well-known widespread confounding counterintuitive Jewish fear of firearms. An anomaly so great it makes multitudes wonder what Jews mean when they say, "Never Again!" The phrase is meaningless without the will and the means to back it up. Even a casual ear to our nuke-seeking enemies and you know it doesn't mean, "It can never happen again!" To this day JPFO is guided by Aaron's reasonable, common-sense goal: The destruction of "gun control" as any kind of credible policy position. It is an evil false promise of safety, leaving innocent people vulnerable.



# Reporting on Mass Murder Is Good Promoting Mass Murderers Is Bad Bad Bad

by Charles Heller,

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The statement, “If it bleeds, it leads,” is an old saw in journalism. Why so? Because headlines sell newspapers, mouse clicks and smart phone taps.

It’s human nature to look at the unusual and the gory. Sadly, it is also human nature to seek profit from vend-ing the sensational. Normality and civility don’t sell – but crisis sure does.

The usual is what we often seek to escape for 90 minutes when we go to the theater. Producers seek to make their products more compelling, by divorcing the product from normality. They receive awards for this, and enhance their chances by adding music, special effects, horror, terror, the unexpected and lately even “virtual” reality.

The format is not new. Shakespeare’s work had plenty of swordplay. The freak show at the circus was always a moneymaker, too. The point here is that the unusual and bizarre “get press.”

Enter now *the age of the reduction of moral restraint*. The if-it-feels-good-do-it generation has left its mark on media, and restraint has become an alien concept. Today’s fast-draw journalism is more rooted in click bait than objective reporting.

What, indeed, could stir the click-baited iPhone soul more than the murder of 49 men and women in a largely Latino gay night club, or 12 police officers shot at a black lives something or other rally?

The human desire to “look at the wreck,” is fed by the journalistic desire to “break the story.” Those forces though, are knocked out of equilibrium by those who would use tragedies to separate you from your rights.

There are many examples of pernicious misuse of tragic events. It even has a moniker, coined by former White House Chief of Staff Rahm Emanuel: Never let a crisis go to waste.

Those of us on the pro-liberty side of life though have identified that disgraceful politicizing of crisis, with the chilling phrase coined by Neal Knox: “Dancing in the blood of the victims.” There are other euphemisms for it, but

the point is that some people attempt to profit their political positions from the tragedies that befall others. They are drawing a dividend from evil.

Media insiders report they vividly showcase spree murderers because it increases their viewership and revenue, not because it is news. With virtually culpable negligence they blithely ignore the fact that repetitious portrayal of mass killers encourages copycat killers. “It is a perverse misuse of the public trust, and they ought to stop. Journalists just turn a blind eye. It’s sick,” says author Alan Korwin, a JPFO Advisor, media observer, and columnist for Townhall.com and “The Daily Caller.”

Speaking about the 2016 Orlando jihad incident, FBI Director James Comey deliberately refrained from uttering the perpetrator’s name, saying he

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would not give in to “some twisted notion of fame or glory.” This is reasonable behavior we applaud from our public servants. Anyone who seeks the name as a keepsake can get it easily.

Sheriff John Hanlin, speaking in Oregon about the murderer at Umpqua College said at a news conference that he too would not speak the killer’s name. “Let me be very clear, I will not name the shooter,” he said. “I will not give him the credit he probably sought prior to this horrific and cowardly act.”

He also encouraged reporters, “not to glorify and create sensationalism for him. He in no way deserves it.” The media, predictably, ignored his sage and sane advice, following the sheriff’s remarks with a list of spree murders going back 15 years – 15 years! In journalism, under any other topic but guns, that would be derided as old news, and dropped at the editor’s desk for relevance, timeliness and space. Journalists

blithely disgrace themselves and harm the nation.

This issue deals with an appropriate sense of justice, the same way reporters usually refuse to reveal names of minors who are involved in acts of violence. What JPFO seeks to prevent is encouraging copycat murderers, and elevating criminals to iconic heroic status. Police routinely see the effect of repetitively displayed mass murderers’ names and images in suspects’ statements. That repetition doesn’t advance any legitimate news interest – it’s just yesterday’s gore.

The country, nay the world, clamors for a way to reduce the bloodshed. Jews for the Preservation of Firearms Ownership has developed a plan that moves us as rapidly toward that goal as the people willing to go there.

Margaret Thatcher called the world’s attention to the fact that terrorists thrive on “the oxygen of publicity.” JPFO says suffocate the bastages. JPFO joins with other prominent community leaders to act morally and responsibly and voluntarily agree to starve spree killers and terrorists of the nutrient of gratuitous and repetitive free publicity.

It is not new, or suppression, it is business as usual – the media routinely and properly withholds images of gore and the dead, names of minors charged with violent crimes, stories that could encourage suicide contagion, national security information like troop movements, rape victims’ names – this is no different. Everyone gets that. It has nothing to do with harming free speech, censorship or misinforming the public.

Jihadis and spree murderers commit acts of horror with multiple victims to manipulate media into free publicity and to promote their names in infamy. Co-operating with that perverse plan does not advance the news cycle, it violates every tenet of ethical journalism. It does not inform – it misinforms the public.

JPFO has introduced the Don’t Inspire Evil Initiative to add one more common sense line to journalism ethical guidelines:

**“Refrain from gratuitous or repetitious portrayal of mass murderers’ names and images.”**

# HELLER HIGHWATER

## “Common Sense” Gun Laws... Aren’t

by Charles Heller

The anti-freedom bigots have realized that most of their loaded terms have backfired. So-called “assault weapons” have been exposed – they are common garden variety sport-utility and homeland-defense guns, popular nationwide.

“High-capacity” magazines have been revealed to be normal capacity ones, uniformly used by everyone, designed by modern manufacturers to fit within the frame of modern sidearms. The public and authorities alike count on them for reliable performance. Most of the bigoted loaded rhetoric has come up to be blanks. Enter the modern term, “common-sense gun laws.” Who, indeed, could argue with common sense?

Bull spit, like beauty, seems to be in the eye of the beholder, and dreck master Mike Bloomberg’s coalition of the clueless seem to have an endless supply. Calling registration and prohibition of the lawful private trading of arms common sense, is both counter-intuitive and counter-freedom.

JPFO has our “Kosher Gun Laws.” <http://tinyurl.com/jyzfjgb> The idea that it is “common sense” to have a “background check” flies in the very face of common sense. Owning and carrying a gun is a specific enumerated constitutional right. <http://tinyurl.com/j7t7hj3> Turning that right into a government-granted privilege is not a mitzvah, it is a curse against liberty.

You want “common sense” in gun laws? Stop infringing the rights of any lawful citizen to go armed anywhere, except perhaps for specifically secured places. Start teaching real marksmanship and gun safety in public schools. Take all the law enforcement assets tied up in the business of regulatory compliance, and use them to go after violent felons who abuse the right to keep and

bear arms. Stop interfering with lawful arms that the public keeps and bears.

U.S. mental health needs work too. It’s time to get people who think it’s possible to “control” guns into some form of treatment. The idea that there is some way to “control” over 300 million guns in the United States, or that this would somehow be a public good, is as we say in Yiddish, “meshuganah” (crazy). Where would such a waste of gelt (money) come from? The notion that new laws, registration or additional paperwork will somehow decrease violence in the U.S., is crazy. Get the people who hold this notion into treatment quickly!

Misinformation proponents of these plans are not distinguishing between the lawful and unlawful use of firearms. We need to act in such ways as to promote the lawful use and trading of arms, and focus our enforcement on the misuse of such arms. It must become appalling to the general public that someone other than a violent felon is ever prosecuted for the mere possession of a firearm, knife, club or any tool of defense. It should shock the conscience of any normal citizen that a police officer would arrest a decent person merely for having a gun.

Authorities could still prosecute people for misuses of a weapon. Officials have no lack of authority to manage the peaceful conduct of society with force, should it be necessary. But force is only valid against crimes that are *malem in se* (evil due to their nature), not *malum prohibitum* (bad because we say so). Murder is evil; parking-meter violations are not.

JPFO isn’t against common sense, we’re its biggest supporters. What are the good gun laws, the Kosher ones we support? There are five:

1. If you criminally misuse a gun, your gun rights can be severed.

2. People who are mentally unfit to handle their own affairs may not bear arms.
3. Until the age of 18, your gun rights come from your parents.
4. You are responsible for the outcome of every shot you fire.
5. Because the G-d given right of self defense is inviolate, anyone who under color of law denies or attempts to deny your civil right to arms, pays a stiff fine and goes to prison.

Footnotes and details are on the JPFO website, worth visiting, [jpfo.org](http://jpfo.org).

With “common sense” like this, it becomes obvious why the anti-freedom bigots use subterfuge to achieve their goals. They couldn’t pass them any other way. Background check is short-hand for registration. JPFO has published proof (and N.Y. and Calif. have shown) how registration leads to confiscation. It’s really that simple.

What the anti-freedomists want to do is not “common sense,” it is a violent collision at the corner of Common and Sense. The wreckage left behind is our rights. Everyone connected with Bloomberg or his stepchild inventions and allies (Mom’s Demand Activity, Any Town For Guns, The Brady Campaign to Promote Gun Violence, etc.) are hard at work evaporating common sense – and your rights.

When you hear the phrase “common sense gun laws,” ask people what they mean. If they say, “background checks,” ask them what’s wrong with the ones they have, or how they’d enforce more, even on the street. Ask if they understand new proposals restrict simple legal transfers between friends, and that crimes aren’t included in the bills – because crimes are already illegal. The rational will understand, and the coalition of the clueless will continue to sail forth on the USS Clueless, a rudderless vessel that is bereft of a moral compass. Don’t lose yours – stand up to those who would stand down your freedom.

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# Evil Thrives on Media Attention

## JPFO Proceeds With “Don’t Inspire Evil” Media Initiative

Left-wing anti-gun-rights activists, hoplophobes and power-hungry politicians constantly use the promotion of spree killers, psychopaths and mass murderers to campaign for removing Americans’ rights to keep and bear arms. An absurd logical disconnect, they equate the acts of madmen and heinous villains with the righteous, wholesome and decent exercise of fundamental human and civil rights. Ignorant and misinformed members of the public are easily swayed.

The sway is amplified with abuse of the English language, where murderers are incessantly called “shooters,” and Muslim jihadi warriors are plain-vanilla “terrorists.” Next time you see a story that belittles every American gun owner by referring to

psychotic criminals as shooters, swap the word killer, murderer, perpetrator or even just criminal, and see how different the story reads if this deliberate bias wasn’t injected everywhere. The offensive and sexist term “gunman” is just journalistic bigotry on display, where murderer or killer would do quite nicely.

A compliant and corrupt media co-operates in this poisonous effort to disembowel the Constitution and reduce the public to a subservient, disarmed mass, with humanity’s most evil perpetrators as the rallying cry. A hopelessly flawed education system leaves people susceptible to the illogic, and the false hope that by disarming the innocent, the evil will somehow be controlled, or even affected.

To counter this pernicious and twisted deliberate campaign of some political leaders, JPFO has organized the Don’t Inspire Evil Initiative, designed to convince “news” media people and companies to stop glorifying the worst murderous villains the world ever sees – or spotlight those media outlets that persist in doing so. In parallel with the crime-victim campaign “No Notoriety,” we insist that a new ethical guideline get added to the Code of Ethics journalists are supposed to honor, even though it is largely ignored by J-schools and journalists practicing today:

**“Refrain from gratuitous or repetitious portrayal of mass murderers’ names and images.”**

## A Letter From One of Our Readers

I read your article describing the ridiculous premise/myth of physicians treating guns/gun violence as a disease, etc. Please be careful w/broad stroke descriptors painting physicians as anti-gun as I and the majority of my physician colleagues are not hoplophobes. Perhaps that is because I am from Kentucky and not a left-leaning cosmopolitan locale inhabited by the liberal university-associated physician, which

likes to publish this trash (not to mention the lemmings who leapt into the arms of Obamacare). As an NRA member and CCW permit holder, I am patently against the attempted tyranny of the left and their perversion of the Constitution.

Keep up the great work!  
Richard H., MD

*JPFO enjoys your letters and prints them when we have space.*

**MAKING LEGAL  
ARMS ILLEGAL  
IS  
INFRINGEMENT!**  
(It’s what King George tried to do.)

## With Profound Sadness

Ray Carter, the heart and soul of the JPFO office at HQ in Bellevue, Wash., left this Earth on May 29, 2016, after a two-year battle with cancer. As Editor of *The Bill of Rights Sentinel* published by Jews for the Preservation of Firearms Ownership, he was the man who brought together far-flung talent and produced the newsletter we’re now publishing without his guidance.

In addition to serving as the *Sentinel’s* editor, Mr. Carter was a special projects coordinator for the Second Amendment Foundation and worked with the Citizens Committee for the Right to Keep and Bear Arms, both based in Bellevue. A veteran gun-rights activist, Carter was the founder of Washington CeaseFear, a pro-gun grassroots movement established to counter efforts of Washington Ceasefire, a “gun-control” organization.

Carter also worked with the Pink Pistols, a gay gun-rights group, and had been involved earlier in his life

with Seattle’s famous Pride Parade and festival. He was also key in Colorado’s annual Blogorado, a gathering of gun-oriented bloggers who socialized, compared notes and did a lot of shooting.

An avid shooter and gun owner, Carter was a member of the NRA, SAF, CCRKBA, the Washington Arms Collectors and a Mason. Described on social media as a humanitarian and good friend, Ray worked tirelessly for causes in which he believed. With a keen wit, he enjoyed the camaraderie of shooting and gun-collecting events, and demonstrated a flair for the English language that showed up in how he spoke, wrote and in these pages. He once laughingly acknowledged, “If I think it’s funny, it’s probably a bad idea.”

A resident of Seattle, he leaves behind a brother and sister, his mother and many relatives and friends. He is sorely missed in many ways.



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**15 MINUTES TO MIDNIGHT**

## The Confiscation Clock

Forces push the clock's hands both ways for now, leaving it tensely in place at 15 Minutes to Midnight. A Supreme Court decision strengthens self defense (Caetano) and another broadens the prohibited persons category (Voisine). The four-four split doesn't matter as much as you've been told, because ties just mean the court below holds the deciding vote. Some states are going backwards fast (California got six bad bills illegally overnight), while the count on Constitutional Carry states is up to 11, with 22 in the wings (posted at GunLaws.com).

Non-credible left-wing polls say the world is against us but – do you know anyone who gets telephone polled? Gun sales and NICS checks, to newcomers especially, are sky high – and now after the Orlando tragedy, gay gun-shopping sprees are off the charts. The presidential election is the big hand on the dial – it forebodes a potentially massive move – and with the Justice Department fix now in for the deletion-prone woman running, you don't need a Rabbi to tell you what hard times may be coming.

## From The “Wayback Machine”

### JPFO Founder Aaron Zelman had written to NRA board member Ted Nugent:

“Ted, I’ll join the NRA...When the NRA assertively speaks to our active-duty military personnel and respectfully (but emphatically) reminds them that any disarming of innocent Americans is a blatant and evil breach of their oath to uphold and protect our Constitution. The NRA needs to follow the lead of Oath Keepers in reaching out to both soldiers and cops.

“That disgusting ‘czarett’ Janet Napolitano, [formerly] of Homeland Security, actually had the gall to imply

that homecoming soldiers posed a threat because they could be ‘recruited’ by ‘extremist’ groups. The NRA should be at the top of that list of so-called ‘extremist’ groups!

“These hard line Leftists have to understand one thing: If forced to, we are unwilling to give them any quarter to protect our freedom. And every freedom-loving American should expect that active-duty soldiers, who have sworn an oath to uphold the Constitution against enemies foreign and domestic, will stand, gun in hand,

by the side of ‘The People’ if push ever comes to shove.”

Read the rest of Aaron’s letter at [jpfo.org](http://jpfo.org). If officials in government outlaw this gun or that, or some kind of ammo or device, will local law enforcement defend your right to arms, or enforce any new infringement that comes down the pike? “The police would never disarm the public!” How much faith do you have in that?



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