

**Correspondence Answered – 8/28/76**

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**Muriel and Harold Hirschfield**  
**14 Warwick Road**  
**Brookline, Massachusetts 02146**

July 20, 1976

Dear Mr. Carter,

My husband and I read in yesterday's New York Times the article by William Safire relating to Patrick Caddell, your pollster. First, let me say that when we were New York residents we were very active politically. We lived in Manhattan and always took an active part in the Democratic Party politics. For many years I was Co-Leader of our District. I mention this fact only to let you know that this is not a "crank" letter, nor one written idly. Needless to say we're very much concerned about the fact that Mr. Caddell is tied in with Saudi Arabia, Exxon, Arco, Shell and Sun. Surely, a man of his tender years, wasn't chosen by them because of his ability, which ability I'm not belittling, but wasn't it because of his "tie-in" with you, Mr. Carter? Mr. Safire claims that you answered this question by stating that Mr. Caddell is "performing an educational function in teaching Arabs about American attitudes" etc. Let's not be naive about this. Our country has gone through too much recently to scoff at something that could possibly bring us through another crisis. When you were chosen to be the Democratic Candidate, and then chose Mr. Mondale as your Running Mate, we were very enthusiastic. We like your record as Governor and Mr. Mondale's liberal views and acts as Senator. We think that the country would greatly benefit through your leadership. We, therefore, would be most appreciative if you could give us some background on Mr. Caddell and his tie-in with Saudi Arabia and the oil corporations.

Very truly yours,

*Muriel Hirschfield*

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Jobs*

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830 Cardinal Drive  
Elberton, Georgia 30635  
July 30, 1976

Mr. "Jimmy" Carter  
Plains, Georgia 31780

Dear Governor Carter:

I'M GARY ASTON AND I'M IN NEED OF A JOB; not just any job, but I'd like one working for Jimmy Carter, helping him get elected to the Presidency.

Since politics and government service is my chosen field, I'd like to join you and help you NOW in your campaign. I'm a recent graduate with a degree in Political Science from Davidson College, Davidson, North Carolina; single and 22 years old.

Enclosed is a letter of reference from Judge John (Billy) Williford, of Elberton, Georgia, a copy of my resume and college transcript. I have not much experience, but I'm young, healthy, educated, and eager to help and to learn. Incidentally, my father has met you twice when you were in Elberton and he says you're GREAT. I, and my family, are known to Mr. James Hunt, your delegate from Elberton, and perhaps he'll put in a good word for me, but I'd rather be picked by your staff for my own merits. I believe you will find me to be of good character and moral habits, and of neat appearance.

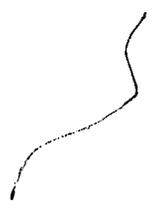
If there is a job opening for me with your campaign staff, I'd very much appreciate any consideration and offer, and I'll be only too happy to furnish you with more references, photo, or informations you wish.

GOOD LUCK,

and sincerely yours,

*Gary L. Aston*  
Gary L. Aston

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State of Georgia  
Superior Courts of Northern Judicial Circuit

JOHN W. (BILLY) WILLIFORD  
JUDGE

ELBERTON, GEORGIA 30635

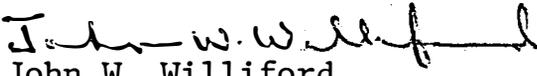
July 27, 1976

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

I have known Gary Aston all of his life. Gary has worked for me in connection with the construction of a tennis court, and I have had an opportunity to observe him both at work and at play, since he is an excellent tennis player. Gary has good manners and is willing to work hard. He is a graduate of Davidson College, one of the south's finest college institutions. To my knowledge, Gary has no bad addictive habits, but is a clean-cut young man who would be a credit to any employer.

I can unqualifiedly recommend Gary Aston for employment. If further information is sought from me, I will be happy to furnish it.

Sincerely,

  
John W. Williford  
Judge, Superior Courts  
Northern Judicial Circuit

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PERSONAL, EDUCATIONAL, AND EXPERIENCE RESUME OF

GARY LEE ASTON  
830 CARDINAL DRIVE  
ELBERTON, GEORGIA 30635  
(404) 283-1337

EDUCATION:

A.B., POLITICAL SCIENCE, 1976, Davidson College, Davidson, N.C.

EXPERIENCE:

Part-time during school years      Employed by Aston Mineral Engineering Ser., Elberton, Ga. Responsibilities have included operating office calculators, surveying, and performing survey calculations.

Summers during high school and college      Have held summer jobs with several house construction and road construction companies. Have operated most carpentry tools and machinery and driven dump trucks.

Summer '74 and continual part-time      Employed by Buena Black Granite Corp., Elberton, Ga., and Rapidan, Va. Duties have included operating jackhammers, plug drills, handling, setting, and detonating explosives, driving dump trucks, loading railcars.

Summer '75      Employed by Comolli Granite Co., Elberton, Ga. Duties included operating diamond saws, wiresaws, overhead cranes, and polishing machines.

OTHER INTERESTS AND HOBBIES:

Hold Private Pilot's License

Can type (240 WPM) and operate various business machines

Hobbies include billiards, sports, flying, swimming, water skiing, coin collecting, drawing, painting, politics, reading, and cooking.

**DAVIDSON COLLEGE**      DAVIDSON, NORTH CAROLINA 28036

Name **ASTON, GARY LEE**

Elbert County High School

Preparatory School      Elberton, Georgia

Address on Entrance      830 Cardinal Dr., Elberton, Ga.

Entrance Units      19

Date of Birth      January 20, 1954

Place of Birth      Ducktown, Tenn.

English 4      History 2      Chemistry 1      Mis. 3

Parent or Guardian      Mr. & Mrs. Robert L. Aston

Church      Methodist

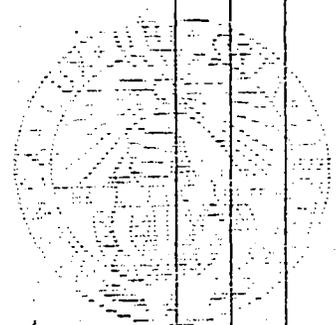
Latin 1      Math. 3      Phy. Sci. 1

Spanish 2      Biology 1      Physics 1

Date of Entrance      September 21, 1972      Classification on Entrance      Freshman

Major      Political Science      Student Number      025520

YEAR	DEPT.	COURSE NUMBER	DESCRIPTION OF COURSE	GRADES			COURSES	GRADE POINTS	YEAR	DEPT.	COURSE NUMBER	DESCRIPTION OF COURSE	GRADES			COURSES	GRADE POINTS
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1972-73	Ger	1-10	Elementary German I-II	C	B	-	2	5.0	1975-76	GENG	143	Literature of the South	C	-	-	1	2.0
	HUM	111-112-113	West.Trad. to Ren.	D	C	C+	3	5.5		POL	140	Democratic Political Systems	A	-	-	1	4.0
	MAT	25	Calculus I	D	-	-	1	1.0		REL	163	Christianity and Art	B	-	-	1	3.0
	EXT	111	Reading Lang. Lit. Fine Arts	-	P	-	1	2.0		POL	158	African Political Systems	-	B	-	1	3.0
	ECO	101	Intro. to Pol. Eco.	-	-	D	1	1.0		POL	165	International Politics	-	C+	-	1	2.5
	GER	20	Intermediate German	-	-	B	1	3.0		POL	401	Extended Study	-	P	-	1	2.0
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	HUM	121-122-123	West.Trad. From Ren.	C	C+	B	3	7.5	POL	270	Sem. International Pol.	-	-	C	1	2.0	
	MAT	23	Statistics and Computers	D	-	-	1	1.0	POL	295	Independent Study	-	-	P	1	2.0	
	ART	125	Basic Studio	-	C+	-	1	2.5					9	23.5			
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	CHE	21	Science of Chemistry	-	-	C+	1	2.5									
	POL	123	Administrative Process	-	-	C+	1	2.5									
								9	22.0								
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	POL	145	Soviet Politics	-	C+	-	1	2.5									
	POL	301	Extended Studies	-	P	-	1	2.0									
	POL	121	Congress and Presidency	-	-	C+	1	2.5									
	POL	129	Public Opinion	-	-	B	1	3.0									
	POL	250	Comparative Pol. Seminar	-	-	B	1	3.0									
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THE UNIVERSITY OF GEORGIA, Athens, Ga.																	
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**GRADING SYSTEM**

Grade	Description	Grade Points
A	Excellent	4.0
B+	Very Good	3.5
B	Good	3.0
C+	Very Satisfactory	2.5
C	Satisfactory	2.0
P	Pass	2.0
D	Poor	1.0
F	Failing	0

**REQUIRED FOR GRADUATION**  
36 Courses  
72 Grade Points

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This is an academic record only and does not reflect any conduct status of  
Mr. Gary Lee Aston

who received the A. B. Degree, May 23, 1976

Signature of Registrar [Signature]

REGISTRAR

JUL 1 1976

Attorney  
Jobs.

Oklahoma City

Near Honourable President-to-be, Sir,

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A rabbi once said, "Everyone needs a door of opportunity opened to them."

Enclosed, please find a resume and a photograph of my son, David.

One of your very fine issues in the campaign is, to lower the unemployment situation.

It would be super-great, if you would be gracious enough to get a wonderful job for David.

He is single, free to travel, lives at home, doesn't drink or smoke, a wonderful, wonderful son to us, and he needs a door of opportunity opened to him!

His Dad, ~~Paul~~, is totally disabled. He is a victim of M.S. He was a C.W.O., served here and abroad, and was with the V-corp.

God was very good to us. We were able to educate both children. Elissa is a graduate of Stephens College, very happily married, with a nearly three year old daughter, Jacquelyn.

My heart and soul would be at peace, could I but see David successfully situated. Were David's Dad in good health, he'd give David a break, but since he is not, I'm asking you, Honourable Sir, to help David.

Thank you, and know that each of us will be pulling, praying and voting for you.

Respectfully,  
(Mrs) Bobt. Nathan  
4516 North Miller Blvd  
Oklahoma City 73112

David Joseph Nathan

405/946-7134

4516 North Miller Blvd.  
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma 73112

Personal: Single 5'8" 135 pounds 28 years old

Professional Objective: Research

Education: B.A. 1975 Central State University

Major: History, Non-teaching

Experience: Research work for Oklahoma Tax Commission  
Research work for Oklahoma Welfare Department  
Welfare Department-Medical Evaluation Department  
State of Oklahoma-Consumer Protection Service  
State of Oklahoma-Clerk I, Clerk II  
United States Government-State of Oklahoma: The National  
Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration  
Personnel Work: Oklahoma Tax Commission

College:

Executive Board: Student History Club  
Director of History Work Shop



ESTABLISHED 1929

# California Rifle and Pistol Association, Inc.

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July 21, 1976

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Governor "Jimmy" Carter  
Plains, Georgia

*Ans. 8/28 BFB vol.*

Dear Governor Carter:

Over the years the subject of firearms legislation has received a great amount of attention by our legislative bodies, the communication media, law enforcement and the public. As you know, the division in opinion ranges from confiscation to repeal of the Gun Control act of 1968.

Our members, as well as the general public, are vitally interested in your attitude on gun controls. As a consequence, we respectfully request that you complete the enclosed questionnaire and return it to this office.

Each election year, the CRPA publishes an election issue in which we print the replies received from each candidate in the CRPA Newsletter and other sportsmen's publications throughout the state. In addition, this issue is distributed, statewide, through sporting goods dealers and other outlets.

For the benefit of those candidates who may not know the CRPA, we are the largest sportsman's organization in California, and the official State Association of the National Rifle Association of America.

Because of publishing lead time we must have your response not later than August 16.

Thank you for your cooperation.

Sincerely,

*John W. Sherburn*

John W. Sherburn  
President

P.S.: We are confident that you want your opinion expressed to the broadest segment of the voting public. We want to assist you in that objective. Please help us to achieve this objective.

# California Rifle and Pistol Association, Inc.

## 1976 CANDIDATE'S QUESTIONNAIRE

Candidate Governor "Jimmy" Carter, President

### WHAT IS YOUR POSITION ON THE FOLLOWING?:

1. Abolishing of all forms of probationary sentences for persons convicted of serious felony crimes committed with the use of a firearm.  
Tend to oppose  / support  or Definitely oppose  / support
2. Mandatory prison sentences for persons convicted of serious felony crimes committed with the use of a firearm.  
Tend to oppose  / support  or Definitely oppose  / support
3. Mandatory licensing of handgun owners.  
Tend to oppose  / support  or Definitely oppose  / support
4. Mandatory licensing of all firearms owners.  
Tend to oppose  / support  or Definitely oppose  / support
5. Mandatory registration of all handguns.  
Tend to oppose  / support  or Definitely oppose  / support
6. Mandatory registration of all firearms.  
Tend to oppose  / support  or Definitely oppose  / support
7. Outlawing the ownership of all handguns (antiques excluded), by the general public.  
Tend to oppose  / support  or Definitely oppose  / support
8. Outlawing the manufacture or sale of small (caliber or frame) handguns.  
Tend to oppose  / support  or Definitely oppose  / support
9. Taxation as a means for discouraging firearms purchase or ownership.  
Tend to oppose  / support  or Definitely oppose  / support
10. Regulated sport hunting as a proper and legitimate recreational use of our wildlife resources.  
Tend to oppose  / support  or Definitely oppose  / support
11. The individual's right (as opposed to the military) to own firearms.  
Tend to oppose  / support  or Definitely oppose  / support

\_\_\_\_\_  
Candidate's signature

YOU ARE URGED TO USE THE REVERSE SIDE FOR YOUR COMMENTS. THESE COMMENTS WILL BE PUBLISHED, IN TOTALITY, IN SPORTSMEN'S PUBLICATIONS THROUGHOUT THE STATE. PLEASE ENCLOSE A BLACK AND WHITE PHOTO OF YOURSELF.

# Gun Owners Protective Association

7375 Spring Branch Road

Redding, California 96001

May 15, 1976

*Sam*

Mr. Jimmy Carter  
P.O. Box 7667  
Atlanta, GA 30309

Dear Sir:

The Board of Directors of the 1,000 member GUN OWNERS' PROTECTIVE ASSOCIATION has directed that I submit the enclosed questionnaire to determine your position on gun control and related problems.

This information is requested in order that we may answer the many questions submitted to our Headquarters by our members. In the event we do not receive your reply prior to June 1, 1976 we will assume that your position is contrary to our position on the right to keep and bear arms.

A stamped, self-addressed envelope is enclosed for your convenience.

Yours very truly,

*Leslie E. Lahr*  
Leslie E. Lahr  
President

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THE RIGHT OF THE PEOPLE  
TO KEEP AND BEAR ARMS  
SHALL NOT BE INFRINGED..."

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1. Do you advocate the registration of handguns owned by law abiding citizens? Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_
  
2. Do you believe that the registration of lawfully owned handguns would prevent criminals from obtaining weapons? Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_
  
3. Do you believe that there should be mandatory sentences for crimes committed with firearms or other dangerous weapons? Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_
  
4. Do you believe that the Second Amendment to the Constitution of the United States guarantees the right to keep and bear arms to law abiding citizens? Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_
  
5. Do you believe that the real problem is crime control rather than gun control? Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_
  
6. Since the laws governing the purchase of handguns applies equally to the purchase of low priced handguns the same as the more expensive models, do you believe that the banning of the yet unidentified, so-called "Saturday Night Special" would materially affect crimes committed with handguns or be of effective assistance in law enforcement efforts to combat violent crime? Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_
  
7. If elected, would you propose any further gun control legislation? Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

Signed \_\_\_\_\_

DATE \_\_\_\_\_ HOUR \_\_\_\_\_

TO \_\_\_\_\_

## WHILE YOU WERE OUT

M *Philip McKenzie*

OF *PO Box 635*

PHONE *Grason Ky 41143*

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### MESSAGE

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*Ans  
8/28/10  
[Signature]*

SIGNED \_\_\_\_\_



HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES  
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20515

JAMES W. SYMINGTON  
SECOND DISTRICT  
MISSOURI

Governor Carter:

I am writing in response to a massive demand in the nation today for gun control. Recent polls show that, by far, the majority of the nation favors some type of gun control. It is imperative that you initiate gun control legislation during the "honeymoon period" of your presidency. With a Congress favoring you with its Democratic majority and the customary "honeymoon period" accorded to any new President, gun control legislation should be initiated early within your Presidency.

The strong gun control legislation enacted in Massachusetts shows that controls upon the illicit use of guns does curtail the usage of guns in crimes. Due to the racial troubles and a higher-than-national-average crime rate in Massachusetts, the total crime rate did not decrease with the enactment of gun control legislation. Yet--on a large scale studies show that, in the long run, crime will decrease if gun sales are controlled.

Our nation has been unable to effectively control the causes of crime. If we fail in our efforts to put bridles on the sociological impetus in crime, then we should enact legislation that, at best, helps to control a rampant, invincible crime rate.

I respect the National Rifle Association's (NRA) desire to keep guns available to anyone on the streets in accordance with the Fourth amendment. I do not propose that the members of the NRA lose their rights to possess guns. But simply the registering and investigation of gun owners does not violate the Fourth amendment: an amendment created by sparsely populated colonies against Indians, beggars and the British from entering citizens' homes. Two hundred years later, and two hundred million people richer, we are no longer afraid of the British coming over to attack our homes. We should not be influenced by the NRA's rabid lobbying to allow citizens to carry guns so that if the British come over we can defend ourselves.



HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES  
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20515

JAMES W. SYMINGTON

SECOND DISTRICT  
MISSOURI

We must update our laws to coincide with the growth and urbanization (and the crimes that grow with it) in our nation.

After every presidential assassination or assassination attempt new gun control legislation is introduced. Why wait until its too late?

Please do not allow a Legislative aid or Assistant write me back thanking me for writing and telling me that you are considering the matter. If this letter does not merit your response then don't let an assistant write me back on your behalf. If I felt that a direct response from you is more possible now than in late November.

I have been speaking favorably of you in Washington. I wish you the best of luck on your campaign. The nation is behind you. With my compliments, I am enclosing Congressional gallery passes that may be used in this session of Congress. Perhaps you know of some constituents who may want them.

Good luck!

Yours

*Gary Silversmith*

Gary Silversmith - CONGRESSIONAL INTERN

Address for a response:  
41 Ladue Estates  
St. Louis, Mo. 63141

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could be influential in smoothing over bad feelings on gun control

July 10, 1976

Governor Jimmy Carter  
Plains, Georgia 31780

Dear Governor Carter:

A few years ago, you and I had met at the Granit Hotel in Kerhonkson, New York, when you were making an appearance at a Democratic rally.

I star in my own award winning television series, The Outdoorsman, and was appearing up there that weekend with some of the super stars of the New York Giants. That day I introduced you to Willie Williams of the New York Giants, and you certainly made a great impression on all of us.

Since then, I have been one of your biggest supporters on and off television. I would like very much to get you on my television series that is syndicated, and I think that I could do you alot of good.

I am enclosing a letter that was sent to sport's writers and gun people in reference to Ronald Reagan. Mr. Reagan is making a good impression because he respects the feelings of the sportsman. I would like very much to sit down and discuss this matter with you personally.

I have a mailing list on a computer of over 23,000 radio stations, television stations and outdoor writers that would give us free publicity.

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IS THE SECRET TO SUCCESS**

JOE DE FALCO  
TV'S OUTDOORSMAN  
CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD

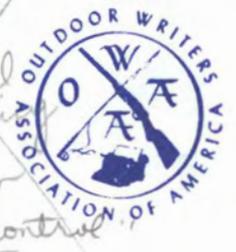
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PRESIDENT

CHUCK WEPNER  
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*I am Vice President of the New York State Outdoor Writers Association and Chairman of the Youth Committee for the Outdoor Writers Association of America. I am also an active member of the Outdoor Writers of Great Lakes Association and the New England Outdoor Writers Association.*

*I do not know if you are familiar with statistics, but we have over 60 million sportsmen in the United States that could swing any election whatsoever.*

*If you read the enclosed literature, you will see that I have hunted with former President Eisenhower and Johnson, and am known personally to over 22 million hunters around the United States. I am also the author of the best selling book, The Complete Deer Hunt, and have a reputation on T.V. of telling it like it is.*

*It has been brought to my attention that one of your staff members is making you "anti-gun". Believe me, Sir, there is a big difference between sportsmen and criminals. My father was the President of the Democratic Club in Long Island for over 25 years, and I am strongly convinced that this country is in need of a change.*

*I wonder if it would be possible to arrange a meeting at your office to further discuss this matter with you in person, as I think that I could make a great contribution to your winning campaign.*

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**JOE DE FALCO**  
TV'S OUTDOORSMAN  
CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD

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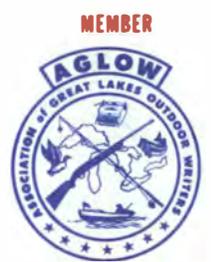
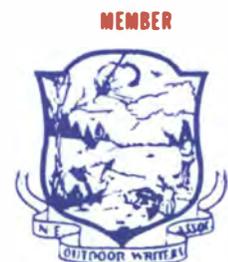
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Dear Fellow Sportsman:

I am writing to you today to ask for help in protecting your right to own a firearm.

This election year could mean an end to that right.

I'm not trying to scare you. I'm giving you the facts as I know them.

Consider these points:

1. President Ford's Attorney General, Edward H. Levi, has proposed a plan that would ban guns in high crime areas. If Levi's plan comes to be, the hard working, decent homeowners and shopkeepers in urban areas would immediately fall victim to murderers and robbers who would never turn in their guns to the police.
2. In addition, former Georgia Governor Jimmy Carter, the Democratic presidential front runner, has stated that he is for the total registration of all handguns.

Make no mistake about it. Additional gun registration and licensing laws will be just the beginning.

The radical anti-gun forces have but one ultimate objective...total gun confiscation from private citizens.

More anti-gun legislation will enable these radicals to get another foot in the door.

This could mean an end to your rights, certainly, but it could mean an end to much more. It could mean an end to law and order as we know it!

The law-abiding citizen would comply with new gun control laws by either registering his gun or surrendering it. The criminal, however, would keep his gun at all cost. The result would be a citizenry unarmed against the criminals who would be fully armed.

The consequences are not pretty when you consider the fact that a crime of violence occurs every 36 seconds in this country. We know also that violent crime--murders, rapes, and robberies--increased 23 percent in just one year!

Without arms for protection, the law-abiding citizen would be at the mercy of the criminal and crimes of violence--already increasing at alarming rates--would be without control.

Ronald Reagan is forthrightly opposed to any legislation which would curtail the precious rights guaranteed by the Constitution.

He believes that every law-abiding citizen has the right to own a firearm to defend his home and his family, especially in these times of increasing violence.

He believes that the proper way to fight crime is not by taking away the arms of decent citizens but rather by punishing the criminal<sup>s</sup> with swift and sure prison sentences--ones which guarantee that the criminal will be kept away from society.

I have enclosed a copy of a Guns and Ammo magazine editorial written by Governor Reagan that outlines his pro-gun stance.

Our Founding Fathers knew in a truly free nation the citizens should be guaranteed the right to own firearms.

This right is given to us by the Second Amendment. Second only to the right of free speech, free press, and freedom to worship as you please.

Ronald Reagan believes the Second Amendment means exactly what it says: you and I have the "right to keep and bear arms."

He needs our help now.

Money is urgently needed for voter mailings, newspaper ads, and radio spots in the remaining primary states.

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Time is running out. The liberals who support stringent gun controls are exerting maximum effort to see that one of their men gets elected.

Ronald Reagan needs your support immediately!

**D**aily we read in the newspapers or see or hear on the air stories of death and crime and violence involving the use of guns.

There are tales of robbery victims shot down in cold blood or executed "gangland style." There are stories of deranged parents killing their children or deranged children killing their parents. There are reports of snipers. And now and then the headlines blurt out that an assassin has struck again, killing a prominent official or citizen. All of these stories involve the use of guns, or seem to.

As a result there is a growing clamor to outlaw guns, to ban guns, to confiscate guns in the name of the public safety and the public good.

These demands come from people genuinely concerned about rising crime rates, persons such as Sheriff Peter Pitchess of Los Angeles who says gun control is an idea whose time has come.

They come from people who see the outlawing of guns as a way of outlawing violence.

And they come from those who see confiscation of weapons as one way of keeping the people under control.

Now I yield to no one in my concern about crime and especially crimes of violence. As governor of California for eight years I struggled daily with that problem. I appointed judges who to the best of my information would be tough on criminals. We approved legislation to make it more difficult for persons with records of crime or instability to purchase firearms legally.

We worked to bring about swift and certain punishment for persons guilty of crime of violence.

We fought hard to re-instate the death sentence after our state Supreme Court outlawed it and after the U.S. Supreme Court followed suit, we won.

Now, however, the California court that sought eagerly to be the first to outlaw the death penalty is dragging its heels as it waits for the U. S. Court to rule. The Chief Justice in California, whom I appointed with such high hopes, in this regard has disappointed many of us who looked to him to help again make our streets, our shops and our homes safe.

I find it difficult to understand persons like President Ford's new Attorney General, Edward H. Levi. Attorney General Levi would ban guns in areas with high rates of crime.

Mr. Levi is confused. He thinks somehow that banning guns keeps them out of the hands of criminals. New Yorkers who suffer under the Sullivan Act know better, they know that the Sullivan Act makes law-abiding citizens sitting ducks for criminals who have no qualms about violating it in the process of killing and robbing and burglarizing.

Despite this, Mr. Levi apparently thinks that criminals will be willing to give up their guns if he makes carrying them against the law. What naiveite!

Mightn't it be better in those areas of high crime to arm the homeowner and the shopkeeper, teach him how to use his weapons and put the word out to the underworld that it is no longer totally safe to rob and murder?

Our nation was built and civilized by men and women who used guns in self-defense and in pursuit of peace. One wonders indeed, if the rising crime rate, isn't due as much as anything to the criminal's instinctive knowledge that the average victim no longer has means of self-protection.

No one knows how many crimes are committed because the criminal knows he has a soft touch. No one knows how many stores have been let alone because the criminals knew it was guarded by a man with a gun or manned by a proprietor who knew how to use a gun.

Criminals are not dissuaded by soft words, soft judges or easy laws. They are dissuaded by fear and they are prevented from repeating their crimes by death or by incarceration.

In my opinion proposals to outlaw or confiscate guns are simply unrealistic panacea.



# Ronald Reagan Champions Gun Ownership

This Key National Figure  
Is One Politician Who Is Not  
Afraid To Speak Out  
On The Gun Control Issue  
**Ronald Reagan**



*Ronald Reagan, former Governor of California, stands in the front rank of potential Presidential Candidates. A clear thinking public servant, Reagan has long been opposed to firearms legislation that would hamstring the honest, while allowing criminal elements in our society to flourish. GUNS & AMMO Magazine feels that shooters should support those potential office holders, like Governor Reagan, who clearly oppose any contravention of our rights under the Second Amendment.*

We are never going to prevent murder; we are never going to eliminate crime; we are never going to end violent action by the criminals and the crazies—with or without guns.

True, guns are a means for committing murder and other crimes. But they are not an essential means. The Los Angeles Slasher of last winter killed nine men without using a gun.

People kill and rob with knives and clubs. Yet we have not talked about outlawing them. Poisons are easy to come by for the silent killer.

The automobile is the greatest peacetime killer in history. There is no talk of banning the auto.

With the auto we have cracked down on drunken drivers and on careless drivers.

We need also to crack down on people who use guns carelessly or with criminal intent.

I believe criminals who use guns in the commission of a crime, or who carry guns, should be given mandatory sentences with no opportunity for parole.

That would put the burden where it belongs—on the criminal, not on the law abiding citizen.

Let's not kid ourselves about what the purpose of prison should be: It should be to remove criminals from circulation so that they cannot prey upon society. Punishment, for deterrent purposes, also plays a part. Rehabilitation, as many experts, including California Attorney General Evelle Younger have discovered, is not a very good reason for imprisoning people. People don't rehabilitate very well in prison.

There is an old saying that slaves remain slaves while free men set themselves free. It is true with rehabilitation, also. Criminals rehabilitate themselves; there is little you and I can do about it.

But back to the purpose of this article which, hopefully, is to make the case against gun control.

The starting point must be the Constitution, because, above all, we are a nation of laws and the foundation for our laws, or lack of same, is the Constitution.

It is amazing to me how so many people pay lip service to the Constitution yet set out to twist and distort it when it stands in the way of things they think ought to be done or laws they believe ought to be passed.

It is also amazing to me how often our courts do the same thing.

The Second Amendment is clear or ought to be. It appears to leave little if any leeway for the gun control advocate. It reads: "A well regulated militia being necessary to the security of a free state, the right of the people to keep and bear arms shall not be infringed."

There are those who say that since we have no militia the amendment no longer applies; they would just ignore it. Others say nuclear weapons have made the right to keep and bear arms irrelevant since arms are of little use against weapons of such terrible destructive power.

Both arguments are specious.

We may not have a well-regulated militia but it does not necessarily follow that we should not be prepared to have one. The day could easily come when we need one.

The nuclear weapon argument is even more silly. Many wars have been fought since World War II and no nuclear bomb has been dropped. We have no assurance that the next world war will be a nuclear war.

But, regardless of any possible merit they might have, both those arguments beg the question, which is: Shall the people have a right to keep and bear arms?

There is little doubt that the founding fathers thought they should have this right, and for a very specific reason: They distrusted government. All of the first 10 amendments make that clear. Each of them specifies an area where government cannot impose itself on the individual or where the individual must be protected from government.

The second amendment gives the individual citizen a means of protection against the despotism of the state. Look what it refers to: "The security of a free state." The word "free" should be underlined because that is what they are talking about and that is what the Constitution is about—a free nation and a free people, where the rights of the individual are pre-eminent.

The founding fathers had seen, as the Declaration of Independence tells us, what a despotic government can do to its own people. Indeed, every American should read the Declaration of Independence before he reads the Constitution and he will see that the Constitution aims at preventing a recurrence of the way George III's government treated the Colonies.

The declaration states this plainly: "But when a long train of abuses and usurpations, pursuing invariably the same Object evinces a design to reduce them under absolute Despotism, it is their right, it is their duty, to throw off such government and to provide new Guards for their future security."

There is no question that the first 10 amendments are a part of those "new guards" for their future security.

And one of the most basic of those guards is the right to keep and bear arms.

There are those in America today who have come to depend absolutely on government for their security. And when government fails they seek to rectify that failure in the form of granting government more power. So, as government has failed to control crime and violence with the means given it by the Constitution, they seek to give it more power at the expense of the Constitution.

But in doing so in their willingness to give up their arms in the name of safety, they are really giving up their protection from what has always been the chief source of despotism—government.

Lord Acton said power corrupts. Surely then, if this is true, the more power we give government the more corrupt it will become.

And if we give it the power to confiscate our arms we also give up the ultimate means to combat that corrupt power. In doing so we can only assure that we will eventually be totally subject to it.

When dictators come to power the first thing they do is take away the people's weapons. It makes it so much easier for the secret police to operate, it makes it so much easier to force the will of the ruler upon the ruled.

Now I believe our nation's leaders are good and well-meaning people. I do not believe that they have any desire to impose a dictatorship upon us. But this does not mean that such will always be the case.

A nation rent internally, as ours has been in recent years, is always ripe for a "man on a white horse." A deterrent to that man or to any man seeking unlawful power is the knowledge that those who oppose him are not helpless.

The gun has been called the great equalizer, meaning that a small person with a gun is equal to a large person, but it is a great equalizer in another way, too.

It insures that the people are the equal of their government whenever that government forgets that it is servant and not master of the governed.

When the British forgot that they got a revolution. And, as a result, we Americans got a Constitution; a Constitution, that as those who wrote it were determined, would keep men free.

If we give up part of that Constitution we give up part of our freedom and increase the chance that we will lose it all.

I am not ready to take that risk. I believe that the right of the citizen to keep and bear arms must not be infringed if liberty in America is to survive.

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One of the most popular celebrities in the sports world today is Joe DeFalco, famed hunter, author, and lecturer. Joe, who is currently sports advisor for Times Square Stores, of Brooklyn, Long Island, and Puerto Rico, is the author of the best selling book, "The Complete Deer Hunt". He has guided hunting parties for many notables including the late President Dwight Eisenhower. His suggestions on hunting and field dressing deer, have been written about in newspapers and magazines for over 25 years. The Outdoor Life Book Club did a story by Joe and called him one of the leading authorities in the nation on that subject. Joe who has appeared on radio, and television, is endorsing many products on a nation wide basis. Some of the items he endorses are the, Joe DeFalco hunting knife, field dressing kit, six Royce Union Bicycles for the sportsmen, exercise mat, freeze dried bait for Allan Manufacturing Company, a hunters safety kit for Survival Systems, field chaps for Fred Strauss' Electron Co., and the fabulous Paramount Hotel, of Parkville. In 1971 thousands of hunters were turned away from the Paramount Hotel because Joe's name appeared on all their billboards during the deer season. Recently Joe appeared on the Joe Franklin TV Show to show his latest endorsement, a red, white, and blue "T" Shirt with his logo on, "STAY STRAIGHT WITH SPORTS", which is manufactured by Victoria Products of St. Louis, Missouri. Joe, who is the originator of that slogan, has appeared nationwide at boys camps, high schools, and various youth centers to lecture our youth to, STAY STRAIGHT WITH SPORTS. At the recent Third Annual Hunting Expo held on Long Island, sports-writer Mike Lee says, "there is no doubt that DeFalco could have filled any hall in the Metropolitan area, even Madison Square Garden if everyone had been able to get into the place". Nassau County cops told me that the backup of cars was all the way to West Hempstead, three miles away—DeFalco has a charisma with hunters—he talks their language. You're going to hear a lot about Joe DeFalco in the near future. Last year he received an award for the biggest contribution to the 1971 New York International Sport and Camping Show. Visit Joe at the TSS Booth. He's here in person.



Joe DeFalco, famed hunter, admires beautiful 11 point buck at a recent coliseum show. The deer was mounted by Kenya of the Bronx.



Joe DeFalco, left, receives a hardy hand shake from George Seedman, President of times square stores, after TSS won the two top awards of last years sport and camping show.



Joe DeFalco autographs the cast for a young admirer on a recent appearance to Sacred Heart Childrens Hospital in Pensicola, Florida.

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Hunting is one of the most popular sports in the world and in a recent survey held throughout the United States, they estimate that over twenty-two million people participate in this sport. To the majority of hunters, Joe DeFalco needs no introduction. He is the author of the best selling book "THE COMPLETE DEER HUNT." He has guided hunting parties for many noteables including the late Dwight D. Eisenhower. His suggestions on hunting and field dressing deer, have been written about in newspapers and magazines across the nation for many years. In 1972, thousands of hunters packed the Paramount Hotel in Parkville New York, just to hunt with Joe.

Joe, who has hunted with many celebrities of the sports world, is just completing a new book called "SHOOTING WITH THE STARS," which, is endorsed by the National Rifle Association. Some of the stars from the New York area who have hunted with Joe are, Whitey Ford, Rick Barry, Ed Kranepool, Ron Swaboda, Bobby Duhon, Scott Eaton, Rich Caster, John Little, Roy Kirskey and Rodger Finnie. This book will be coming out shortly and it is really unique, as part of the cover comes off and opens to a beautiful, reversible wall poster, showing pictures of all the stars.

Joe, who is currently Sports Advisor for Times Square Stores, writes a monthly outdoor column on hunting and fishing. In addition to that, he endorses many products for the outdoorsman. His lectures and hunting shows have drawn standing room crowds wherever he has appeared. His motto today for our youth is, "STAY STRAIGHT WITH SPORTS." Joe firmly believes that family participation in any sport, is the way of getting our younger generation back on the right track. Most people talk about how bad the kids are, but no one goes out of their way to help them. Back in 1968, Joe started free youth clinics for youngsters, and since then has taught thousands of boys, the wonderful life of the outdoorsman. His appearances at colleges and boys camps across the country, lecturing on the great outdoors, has activated many people. Joe, who has appeared on radio and television across the nation many times, will be appearing at the Times Square's booth here at the show. You will be hearing a lot about Joe DeFalco in the near future. Last year he received many awards, and one was for the biggest contribution to the 1972 New York International Sport and Camping Show. Visit Joe. He is here in person.

Joe DeFalco, famed hunter, right, presents Ralph Caso, County Executive of Nassau County, with the Outstanding American Award, at the recent Fifth Annual Joe DeFalco Hunting Expo, held on Long Island. Stars of the sports world look on. Left to right are John Moring, Joey Jackson, and Roy Kirskey, of the New York Jets. Ed Kranepool of the New York Mets. John Little of the New York Jets, and Ron Swaboda of the New York Yankees. Mr. Caso and Joe have done alot to help the sportsman of Nassau County.



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Shooting with the Stars. Joe DeFalco, left, famed hunter, Rick Barry, San Francisco Warriors superstar, Ed Kranepool, New York Mets, and Ron Swaboda of the New York Yankees pose with thirteen of the pheasants they shot at a recent hunting trip on Stonygate Farms in the Catskills. Ron and Ed own the fabulous Dugout Resturant in Amityville, New York.





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We believe that it is the duty of every citizen to assist another citizen in the protection of his rights, his family, his property and his person.

We believe that it is the duty of every citizen to assist the police in the performance of their duty and should the need arise the protection of their person.

We believe that no man has the right to impose his will on any other by threat of or use of force.

Mr. Jimmy Carter  
1 Woodland Drive  
Plains, Georgia 31780

Dear Jimmy:

The recent article on the 30th of April on Gun Week bothers me very considerably. This refers to the activities of Morris Dees who is head of your fund raising drive. It indicates that he has very considerable activity with the National Gun Control Center which is as you know an organization dedicated to the ending of private ownership of firearms. This appears to be contrary to your private and public statements and certainly contrary to the many discussions you and I have had in the past. The Georgia Sport Shooting Association and the NRA are very much interested in your answers and attitudes as regards this subject. A general statement that you are for registration and against "Saturday Night Specials" is not adequate. We need specific information as regards what you mean by registration and how you define "Saturday Night Special". This is very important to the 29,000 members in Georgia as well as 1,500,000 members nationally.

In the past we've had very considerable problems with this concept of "Saturday Night Specials". Right now, the Rodino Committee which is a special judiciary committee of the U. S. House has defined the "Saturday Night Special" as any gun with a frame of under five and one-half inches long and or with a barrel of under four inches long. This definition, in effect outlaws every firearm in the United States except perhaps a Forty-five automatic. It's a little bit too far-reaching and certainly doesn't do the job required. There have been other attempts as regards defining a "Saturday Night Special" as "cheap", "poorly constructed" and "unsafe". We've attempted over the years to define these various factors and we have found it impossible, considering the fact that these small, cheap firearms are generally not unsafe in that to give them heft and feel they are generally cast of heavier materials than is necessary. As regards the definition of "cheap", I don't know how to define that. We've also had attempts to define poorly made such as weapons with scratches, dents, burs, or nicks, which "may" affect their function. This leaves too much control in the hands of persons making the determination and would result in wholesale confiscation. I believe it is most necessary that we get an immediate response. The column for next month's Georgia Wildlife Federation Magazine must be completed within a few days (as you know I've been writing a monthly column for this magazine) as well as the proofs for the National Rifle Association magazine The American Rifleman (circulation 1,500,000 per month). I know that your personal feelings do not lean in the direction that Mr. Dees has espoused. I believe it's time for a statement that you are against confiscation and that you do not espouse the "party line" of the National Gun Control Center.

Best regards,

Bob Blair  
President

*Ans.  
8/28  
Bob Blair*

# Carter's fund-raiser Morris Dees is busy working wonders

Rocky Mtn. News, Denver, Colo., April 8, 1976

By GARRY WILLS

ATLANTA — Morris Dees, the wonder-worker who raised money for McGovern in 1972, and is doing the same for Carter this time, puts the problem of campaign money in a nutshell: "Bobby Kennedy spent over \$4 million in the California primary alone (in 1968). No Democratic candidate will spend much more than that in the whole (nominating) process this year."

Dees does not like the current rules — he thinks, for instance, the individual contribution limit should be \$5000, not \$1000: "\$5000 is not enough to buy anything like an ambassadorship. But it would make it five times

as easy for me to raise a million dollars."

The success of Dees in using direct mail, last time out, convinced candidates that the future belongs to this way of soliciting funds. Chairman Strauss wanted Dees to raise money for the Democratic National Committee. He re-

fused, but said he would give help to any Democrat wanting to learn the best techniques. He has advised fund-raisers of all the major candidates except George Wallace; and he introduced Wallace to his fund-raiser, Richard Viguerie.

"That bothered me. Jerry Wallace (George's brother) and I went to school together. Jerry called me in and offered me a million dollars to do direct mail for Wallace. I said I couldn't do that, but I called Dick Viguerie from Jerry's office and said this was his chance to make a million. Viguerie told me Wallace was too liberal for him." But, in time, the Wallace people wooed Viguerie to their side.

"I HAD SOME BAD thoughts thinking that I won the nomination for McGovern when another candidate would have been stronger against Nixon. Now I wondered if I had made Wallace too strong by putting him in touch with Viguerie. But it was better for us to beat Wallace when he had more than to beat him simply because he had none

Since Dees advised the Jackson fund-raisers, along with all others, Senator Jackson claimed for a while that Dees was working for him. "He must have wanted some liberal credentials back then." But Dees advised everyone on the technical points of direct mail fund-raising — and then went and did otherwise for Carter. He did not fight the last financial war even though he was the general who had won it.

HE COULD NOT put the emphasis on direct mail for Carter, whose impact on the national scene would come too late for the development and working of good lists. In fact, in the current campaign, only Wallace could rely much on direct mail; and only then because Viguerie put up the initial expenses (which should have been counted a loan/donation by the new rules).

So Dees set up local finance committees with traveling advisers on how to work phones and branches to make lots of little contributions add up. While other treasuries evaporate, Dees is just hitting his stride.

"We brought in \$22,000 a day in March. Our income in February was higher than any other candidate's — \$79,000. In March we made \$550,000. I mean to make a million in April. All we need is one-hundred local committees raising \$2,000 a week. That is \$200,000 a week, enough to get us through the campaign."

Dees, who comes from Alabama farmland just sixty miles from Carter's home, is as confident of his abilities as Carter — and with cause. A self-made millionaire, he has given his life to his profession, the law, defending the defenseless in the South and elsewhere.

HE KNOWS EXACTLY where he is going — he has a mass-supported gun-control education program about to be launched. He claims it will bring gun control to a nation that has shown, by a large majority, that it desires it. "Within five years we'll break the National Rifle Association." He does not like small challenges.

If there is a new South, it is at least as much the South of Morris Dees as of Jimmy Carter.



Wills

Guest editorial

# Carter aide forms anti-gun center

By Neal Knox  
Editor - Publisher  
Handloader Magazine

Jimmy Carter, the currently leading contender for the Democratic Presidential nomination, says he "only" favors registration of handguns and prohibition of "Saturday Night Special" (undefined). But the chief fund-raiser for the Carter Campaign seems to have much broader prohibitions in mind, for he has established a new, and potentially powerful, anti-gun organization. The puzzling question is: why was it set up during the heat of the primary contests unless it is somehow related to Carter's multi-faceted fund-raising efforts?

In mid-April we received a call from Tom Gresham, the personable young editor of Southern Outdoors. Tom had received a tip that a Washington D.C.-based organization entitled the National Gun Control Center had opened a bank account in Montgomery, Ala., which seemed strange. Stranger yet, the tipster said the signator for the account was Morris Dees, head fund-raiser for Jimmy Carter. Further, by coincidence, a month or so earlier Dees had called an acquaintance at BASS, the Montgomery-based angler's society which published Southern Outdoors, inquiring about a source of decals for the "National Gun Control Center" — he had called from Carter's Atlanta, Ga., campaign headquarters.

Tom wanted to know if we had heard of NGCC. We hadn't. But we had heard about Dees, and by the next day

we knew quite a bit more about him. Dees was also the chief fund-raiser for George McGovern in the 1972 Presidential campaign.

## Millionaire attorney

He is a millionaire attorney with a penchant for controversial causes. For instance, he participated in the Selma civil rights march, is chief trial counsel for a free legal service entitled the "Southern Poverty Law Center" which operates from his Montgomery office address, and was a member of the legal team (and fund raiser) in the Joann Little case — until he judge threw him off for allegedly attempting to have a witness change his story, although he was later re-instated.

Because Carter's fund-raiser was setting up the "National Gun Control Center" during the campaign, at least partially from Carter Campaign Headquarters, with a reported bank account in a third state, we at first suspected that it was simply a phony "committee" set up for the quasi-legal laundering of contributions in circumvention of federal campaign financing laws. Dozens of such "committees" were set up by the McGovern campaign in 1972.

However, the National Gun Control Center isn't a fund-raising front for the Carter campaign. It's a legitimate — if unwelcome — organization which Dees told a syndicated columnist, will "within five years . . . break the National Rifle Association."

The chairperson of NGCC is Atlanta Mayor Maynard

Jackson who recently said he "wholeheartedly supports" prohibiting the sale and private possession of handguns. Co-vice-chairperson, and presumably the group's fund-raiser, since he's an expert, is Morris Dees.

Other members of the NGCC National Committee include Archibald Cox, former "Watergate" prosecutor and head speechwriter for John F. Kennedy during the 1960 campaign; June Pierson McMichael, executive director of the Nation's Women's Political Caucus; LeGrand Mellon; Charles Morgan, director of the Washington American Civil Liberties Union; Patrick Murphy, president of the Police Foundation and former New York City police commissioner; Theodore Sorensen, author and former member of the Kennedy Administration; and Congressman Andrew Young (Georgia).

## At NGCC's office

When we checked, the NGCC's office at 120 Connecticut Ave., Washington, had only one girl, and no signs. Solicitation literature stated that NGCC would "bring to the American people accurate, distortion-free information about the effects of private handgun ownership on crime, accidents and deaths" by preparing "public service" ads and television commercials, audio-visual aids for schools, debate materials and the like. Incorporation was in March; it will become "operative" in September.

Application has been made for tax-exempt status.

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allowing contributions to be tax-deductible. All who contribute would become members. (Those facts may be significant, for a six-month-old membership organization may "inform" its members on political issues without it being a campaign expenditure.)

## Referred to Levin

When Tom called for Dees and asked about NGCC, he was referred to a Southern Poverty Staff attorney, Joe Levin Jr., who said that the two organizations are not connected, but that "some

members of the Southern Poverty staff are working on NGCC in a voluntary capacity." Levin said NGCC is a "strictly non-partisan, educational effort," adding that it "doesn't advocate any position" and that it "will only lay out facts and statistics."

However, when Tom asked if NGCC would present both sides of the arguments, Levin said: "It certainly is going to be more partisan than that because it is a gun control group."

As for his own position, Levin said, "I am not for handgun con-

trol personally, I am for handgun abolition. Totally and completely." Further, he said he would "like to see rifles regulated for they can be used for the same purpose as handguns: to knock folks off."

Asked what he meant by "regulating," Levin said: "Maybe sporting clubs could be formed where rifles would be available, or shotguns." Levin added that he did not think people should be allowed to "have them in their own home — rifles particularly. Shotguns I have less concern about."

## Dees contacted

Tom then contacted Dees at Carter Campaign Headquarters. The conversation was short; Dees said he is a volunteer worker for Carter and a volunteer worker for "gun control," but that "gun control has nothing to do with the Carter campaign."

Levin told Tom that NGCC is presently "testing to see if gun control money is available." Considering the group backing it, and Dees' proven expertise in fund-raising, operating money probably will be found, and NGCC

is likely to become a formidable foe.

But for the moment, probably the most important thing about all this is what it reveals about the people around and behind Jimmy Carter. We know of members of the gun fraternity who are supporting Carter for the Democratic nomination, perhaps thinking that his Southern background indicates a friendly position toward firearms and firearms owners. But considering the activities of one of Carter's key aides, at a time when it appears that Carter might be the next President, there's not much doubt as to the firearms policies a Carter Administration would follow.

2513 Brookview Road  
Castleton, New York 12033

July 15, 1976

JIMMY CARTER CAMPAIGN  
PLAINS, GEORGIA

Dear Mr. Carter:

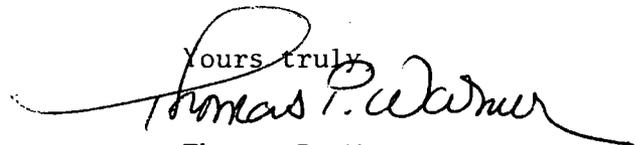
The enclosed literature has just cost you three (3) Democratic votes.

All of my friends and acquaintances hold the same point of view. It seems inconcievable to us that you would allow the name of your associates to become connected with this. We are absolutely fed-up with this kind of threat to what we feel are our rights as Americans.

My family will vote Republican for the first time in our lives for this reason ONLY.

We would be most interested to learn what your personal point of view is on this question and will look forward to hearing it.

Yours truly



Thomas P. Warner

*Ans.  
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**National Gun Control Center**

**HERE ARE YOUR DECALS**

Bend back and peel-off



Bend back and peel off

Please display these handgun control decals and join the National Gun Control Center by sending your contribution today.

**National  
Gun Control  
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**National Gun Control Center**



*"I believe if guns are outlawed, murderers and thieves will have control of our lives and property. We will have no defense."*

General Maxwell Rich, Ret.  
Executive Vice President  
Natl. Rifle Assn. of America

Dear Friend,

The above statement is from a recent letter seeking additional members for the most powerful gun lobby in the world.

Already the National Rifle Association has one million members who finance a massive education program to convince young and old that a free flow of handguns is essential to their freedom and safety.

Congress, because of N.R.A. pressure, refuses to enact meaningful handgun control laws.

Until now the public has seen only one side of the gun control debate... mainly through emotional, distorted N.R.A. propaganda. For example, the N.R.A. pamphlet Gun Laws Don't Reduce Crime states that most murders are committed by criminals. Yet the F.B.I. reports that 73% of the murders in 1972 were between spouses, lovers, families and acquaintances.

The facts are clearly on the side of handgun control.

There are over 40 million handguns in the United States. One is sold every 13 seconds. Over 25,000 people are shot to death each year, 69 each day. The majority are killed with handguns. One out of every 100 deaths, including those from disease and natural causes, is due to gun homicide, suicide or accident.

**THE NATIONAL GUN CONTROL CENTER**

1201 CONNECTICUT AVENUE, N.W. - WASHINGTON, D.C. 20036

Only guns can kill with such certainty.

During heated arguments, a person is more likely to kill someone when a handgun is within reach than when there is no gun handy. A firearm is tempting: a person can put it to use in a temporary rage, and regret his act a moment later.

Friends are killing friends with handguns. In only one-fourth of all homicides are offenders strangers to their victims.

Strict handgun control laws save lives. In Britain, where a police certificate of need is required to own a handgun, there are fewer than 500 handguns per 100,000 people. In the U.S., there are 12,000 per 100,000. The yearly handgun deaths in England and Wales, with over 50 million people, are less than 50. Houston, Texas, had 213 such deaths in 1974.

Guns purchased for protection actually cause innocent deaths.

Friends are mistaken for prowlers and shot down. Over 3,000 die accidentally each year from guns bought to "save lives." About 10,000 commit suicide annually with guns.

Ownership of handguns will be eliminated only after a massive educational campaign alerting the American public to the dangerous and appalling realities resulting from private possession of handguns.

The National Gun Control Center is seeking one million members to fund a national educational program to tell the complete handgun story.

The NGCC will do the following:

1. Become a visible public gun control force with "STOP HANDGUN" decals on millions of auto windows.
2. Prepare regular "Gun Control Facts" commercials for public interest television and radio placement.
3. Issue monthly "Public Gun Reports" (like the National Safety Council does for auto death projections) giving the number of handgun deaths, handgun purchases and handgun injuries.
4. Establish a "National Handgun Turn-In Arsenal" supervised by the trust department of a major bank to store handguns awaiting a federal gun control law redeeming all handguns.
5. Provide "Gun Debate Facts" to those presenting the gun control arguments on TV talk shows, letters-to-the-editor, public debates and speeches.
6. Develop and distribute free films, slide programs, booklets, cassettes, and other gun control educational material to all

schools, churches, civic and social clubs, union halls, and public meetings presenting the honest facts about handgun deaths and injuries.

Many good groups like the Natl. Council to Control Handguns, and the U.S. Conference of Mayors are lobbying for gun control laws.

But the pressing need now is for public education to present the true facts and counter distorted N.R.A. materials. The National Gun Control Center will concentrate on mass public education and not on lobbying.

Congress will act on effective handgun control legislation only when they believe the voters are ready.

When a Senator sees more "Stop Handgun" decals than N.R.A. emblems; gets news clippings of 4-H Club pro gun control debate winners; hears monthly news broadcasts of gun deaths; sees our thirty-minute handgun documentary at a PTA meeting back home... then and only then will handgun control legislation be taken seriously.

The handgun lobby is pulling out all stops making their public case for the free flow of handguns.

G. Gordon Liddy, writing in the April, 1975 issue of Guns and Ammo, stated:

"There is a profound sense of security felt by some forty-five million firearms-owning citizens in the knowledge that they have in their homes a gun.

"Years ago someone engraved on the barrel of a Colt revolver: 'Be not afraid of any man, no matter what his size. When danger threatens, call on me. I will equalize.'"

You can equalize the gun control debate by helping insure that misleading N.R.A. claims are countered at every level with true facts.

You can start the long, hard effort that may some day save the life of a future Robert Kennedy, Martin Luther King, or your next-door neighbor.

Please accept my invitation and become a charter member of the National Gun Control Center. Your membership decals are enclosed.

In less than a year, the NGCC educational programs listed in my letter and explained in the enclosed brochure will be in full swing.

In the ancient wisdom of Ecclesiastes, "To everything there is a season, and a time to every purpose under the heavens." I believe the time has come to disarm, the time to cast away personal weapons of death, the time to reduce the level of violence and carnage with handguns.

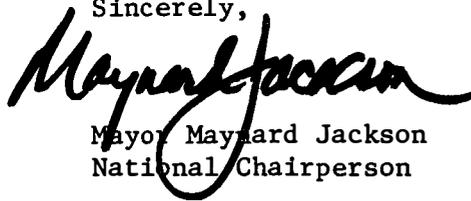
In my work as mayor of one of America's largest cities and in my activities with the U.S. Conference of Mayors' handgun control project, I have become acutely aware of the threat posed by uncontrolled handguns.

That is why I feel a deep commitment to the National Gun Control Center's work and purpose. I hope you will share that commitment with me.

Please use the enclosed membership envelope to join the National Gun Control Center and become one of the one million Americans being asked to contribute an average of \$25 or more.

It's important to do all you can to help today... it could mean the difference between our success or failure.

Sincerely,



MJ:dc

Mayor Maynard Jackson  
National Chairperson

P.S. When we receive your contribution, I will send you a packet of eight stop-gun decals for your friends. Beginning in September, you will receive Gun Control News, our bi-monthly newspaper, as part of your membership.

P.P.S. Please do me a personal favor by displaying your free stop-gun decals today. This is an important first step in our national movement.

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July 16, 1976

Mr. Jimmy Carter  
Plains, Georgia

Dear Mr. Carter

You haven't said much about where you stand on issues, but you really haven't had to say much, as your actions are louder than words. The fact that your right hand man, Morris Dees plans to confiscate all fire arms under your orders, when the ninth rule for communist revolution is to "Confiscate all fire arms under some pretext, leaving the population helpless." The fact that you have been given the support of Leonard Woodcock of the United Auto Workers. A man who is an admitted socialist. A man whos views on government ownership of private industry are communistic. The fact that you have chosen Walter Mondale, another socialist. A man who wanted to take children out of the home and put them in state run institutions. You have said all we need to hear, Mr. Carter. Unless this country is ready to become socialist or communist, you will not win in November.

Sincerely

Kenneth G. Paynter

cc: Lubbock Avalanche-Journal  
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Hon. Jimmy Carter  
Plains, Georgia

July 6, 1976

Dear Governor Carter:

First, I wish to extend my hearty congratulations on your phenomenal campaign success in capturing the Democratic nomination, as it now seems, and to express my sincere best wishes and support for the election in November. Your campaign success demonstrates, in my judgment, not only a major revitalization of the Party, but it also holds forth the promise for great progress by the Nation under your Presidency. The next few years will provide opportunities for dramatic progress and improvement, both domestically and abroad, but they will also require decisive action, since the issues now facing us are crucial to the very survival of our society. I am confident you can and will rise to this challenge.

One issue, I believe, holds the key to social progress in this country, and I urge you to direct your attention to it immediately. That is the desperate, crying need for effective national gun control legislation and enforcement. Here we are, purportedly the most socially and materially advanced nation on the face of the earth, yet we are gripped by an unprecedented crime wave that is turning our cities into enclaves of terrorism. I find this simply appalling.

One example may illustrate the utter irony of the free prevalence of guns in our society. On a recent rainy evening in Chicago, a family detoured from their normal route to avoid a flooded viaduct. A roving gang of armed youths attempted to block their way and, failing to do so, shot the mother fatally and wounded the father. Of course this is only one example of the many senseless, brutal shooting incidents occurring throughout our country every day, as I am sure you are well aware.

Now I realize that guns are not the cause of crime. But it is very apparent that the prevalence of guns in our society is not only a major contributing factor in the incidence of crime, by readily facilitating its commission, but also the key aggravating factor, by overwhelmingly increasing its brutality. Moreover, and perhaps most importantly, guns are now the very foundation of the subculture which traffics in dope, prostitution, and other illegal activities. We simply must get the guns out of the hands of people who have no business using them or even having them, if we are ever to make our streets liveable and our cities decent again.

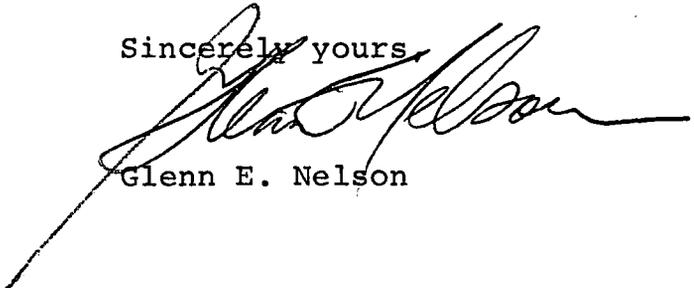
Hon. Jimmy Carter  
July 6, 1976  
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I am not addressing these remarks to any social class or racial group. Quite the contrary; the social illness plaguing our country, which is indicated by our tolerance for violence and which is fostered by guns, is now utterly endemic. Therefore, only the most comprehensive and forceful action on the national level can effectively improve this grave situation.

I urge you to take such action. I urge you to begin now to map out a strategy that can effectively rid us of the menace of guns in our society. I also urge you to declare your position on this issue promptly. Politically, gun control is an issue whose time has come, and I am convinced you will have broad support for your efforts. Furthermore, I deeply believe that one of the greatest legacies your Presidency can leave would be to rid society of its current plague of guns and violence.

I would appreciate receiving your views on this vital issue. You may reply to the above address. I also stand ready to provide you such assistance as I can in developing your program in this area.

Sincerely yours,



Glenn E. Nelson

GEN/kjw

22 Sunset Drive  
Severna Park, Md.  
21146  
June 12, 1976

Mr. Jimmy Carter  
Plains, Georgia

Dear Mr. Carter,

I just picked-up the June issue of the American Rifleman and was shocked to read the following headline on page 39, "Carter Fund-Raiser Mounts Attack On NRA". In it Mr. Dees is quoted to say that "within five years we'll break the National Rifle Association". I hope that Mr. Dees does not reflect your views.

The best of luck in the campaign.

Yours truly,

  
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Hilliard Bernstein  
918 West 31st Street  
Richmond, Virginia 23225  
April 2, 1976

Mr. Jimmy Carter  
Presidential Aspirant  
~~aka Democratic National Committee~~ P.O. Box 1976  
~~1801 Connecticut Avenue N.W.~~ Atlanta, Georgia  
~~Washington, D.C. 6~~ 30301

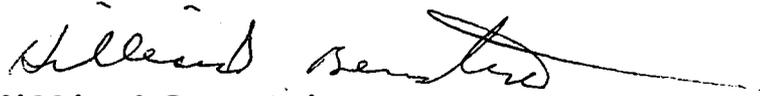
Dear Mr. Carter:

Some time ago, before the Florida primary, I received some literature from your headquarters asking for my financial support to help you win the Florida race. You did that without my help, and you shall continue to run without my help until you have repudiated your stand which places you in the ranks of those who openly betray our Constitution. When you became Governor of Georgia you swore an oath to protect and defend the Constitutions of the USA and of G<sub>a</sub> against all enemies both foreign and domestic. The Second amendment to the Constitution of the USA declares simply that our right to keep and bear arms shall not be INFRINGED but in the literature I got from you there was a statement declaring that you favored infringement of our Second Amendment right. This, to me, is treasonable betrayal of your oath. Of course you are not alone, for many members of Congress and the Courts have declared it Constitutional to infringe upon our Second Amendment right. After all Chief Wooden Face Ford has swallowed the hook and proposes some infringement on our right.

In my opinion, the militia, which of course means all the people able to bear arms, should take the advice of our Declaration of Independence and the Second Amendment and change the government to one more responsive to the rights granted the people in the Constitution.

I inclose copy of a poll we are taking of candidates and hope you will answer via the inclosed envelope. And when we say INFRINGED we mean just that.

Yours for a continuing American  
Revolution.

  
Hilliard Bernstein

Jimmy Carter

Several groups of voters have agreed on the below list of statements. We are asking each candidate for public office to register his agreement or disagreement with these statements.

Crime, pollution, and shortages are caused by the fatal belief that unending mindless growth means progress. This is a fatal mistake. Growth means more crime, more pollution and more shortages. Progress should mean an improvement in the quality of life. This can only come about by stabilizing the population; followed by a reduction to a rational level.

I agree: ( ). I disagree: ( ).

All men are created equal. They are endowed with certain rights. To secure these rights governments are instituted. When ever any form of government becomes destructive of men's rights, it is the duty of the people to alter or abolish it and to institute new government.

I agree: ( ). I disagree: ( ).

The right of the people to keep and bear arms shall not be infringed.

I agree: ( ). I disagree: ( ).

Corporate power is becoming so great that our Nation is becoming a Corporate Fascist State. Unless the people take control of these monopolistic monsters we are headed for a totalitarian government worse than Nazi Germany, Fascist Italy, or Communist Russia.

I agree: ( ). I disagree: ( ).

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Please sign this sheet and return in the inclosed envelope, with items checked or unchecked.

918 West 31st St.  
Richmond, Virginia  
23225

Hilliard Bernstein, Campaign Mgr.  
Save Our Species Coalition

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Dear sirs:

Enclosed is a check for \$1.24 to pay for the postage of the previous letter sent to me by Mr. Charles Colot III, and for the postage of any subsequent letter sent to me (assuming a postal rate of 62¢/letter) (why so much?).

Earlier I had intentions of making a meager contribution of \$10 - \$15 to the Carter campaign. However, in light of the remarks made by a ~~Mr.~~ Mr. Morris Dees at a Carter fund-raiser, ~~in~~ I felt that the \$10 - \$15 would be better spent if it was given to another Carter, that being Harlon Carter of the Institute for Legislative Action branch of the National Rifle Association (NRA).

Having voted for Jimmy Carter ~~in~~ in the Wisconsin primary on April 6th, I am now bitterly disappointed in him for his asinine support of handgun registration + owner licensing, an idea no doubt put (no, forced) into his position paper by the hard-assed Mayor of Atlanta, Maynard ~~Heath~~ Jackson. Too, I am extremely rankled at his refusal to support mandatory prison terms for those convicted of having a firearm in their possession while committing a crime, a measure LEGITIMATE firearm owners have advocated for years. Since a 1968 Supreme Court ruling states that criminals cannot be coerced to register their firearms (i.e., prevents self-incrimination, since it is a felony for a

criminal to own a gun), and since no one in his right mind would think that a criminal would register his weapon anyway, what Carter is saying is that he prefers to harass the lawful firearms owner ~~rather than~~ rather than combat illegal use of firearms. On April 6th of this year I thought I was voting for Jimmy Carter; apparently I voted for Edward Kennedy instead. If Carter continues this advocacy of asinine gun laws, I will not make the same misceue in November.

Carter can ~~not~~ mollify his position somewhat by selecting FRANK CHURCH as his Vice-Presidential candidate. Church has consistently supported the right of Americans to own firearms without Federal interference. He would also deliver crucial electoral votes in the West (Oregon, Idaho, etc.). I am an NRA member. Many other NRA members ~~not~~ in this area that I know of voted for Carter despite his anti-gun stance. Now, like me, they are having second thoughts. We would like to see someone in the White House, like Carter, who is ready to end the ravaging of the land and rivers by the Army Corps of Engineers. But, we are not ready to relinquish our rights guaranteed under the Second Amendment to the Constitution to achieve this. If Carter cannot square himself with the American sportsmen on this issue, we will be more than glad to lend our support to Ronald Reagan or Gerald Ford.

In case you do happen to respond to this letter, here are some questions:

① HOW (specifics please) does Carter intend to prevent the Corps of Engineers from continuing their dam-building adventures? Must he go through Congress to do so, or can he do so directly?

② By saying that he will end dam-building by the Corps, does this mean that he will end dam building COMPLETELY or does it mean that other groups will pick up where the Corps left off?

③ Under Public Law 556 (or 566; I can't remember the exact number), the Corps + the Soil Conservation Service have been ditching, straightening, + destroying many of our nation's streams. Does Carter plan to allow this to go on or does he propose changes in the law (or its abolition)?

④ The SCS + the Corps are presently engaged in ditching + diking the Cache River bottoms in Arkansas, a very important wintering ground for waterfowl of the Mississippi Flyway. Dr. Rex Hancock of Stuttgart, Ark., and his group (Citizens Committee to Save the Cache) have been fighting the Corps for several years now over this. As President, could Carter directly intervene in this matter to stop the project? If so, would he?

That ends the questions. One last thing: persons NOT acceptable to me as V-P candidates are: Mondale, Glenn,

Steenerson, Rodino, Jordan, and Bayh. Only Church or Brown  
would be acceptable.

Thank you for listening.

Sincerely,

Mitchell D. Bent  
1282 Monterey St.  
De Pere, Wis. 54115

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5 July 76

Governor Jimmy Carter,  
State Capitol,  
Atlanta, Georgia



Dear Governor Carter:

The advocacy of your financial man Dees for anti gun laws plus the advocacy of Laura Fermi of the atomic industry for anti gun laws plus the widespread conspiracy against me personally through means in part of the anti gun laws, the Mellons, later Dillon, Fowler, possibly even now Simon all being concerned with multifarious aspects of Virginia Industrial Development and Real Estate speculation in the exact center of which I have a key "sphere of influence" - all these matters make me consider that your colleague Mr Regenstein might also be concerned with the anti gun business, and that you, too, for this reason, would become a threat to the liberties of the United States if you were to become nominated and or/elected President of the United States.

Can you confirm to me that this conjecture of mine is NOT true?

That is to say, your remark about declaring a moratorium for five years on atomic tests etc. was most interesting, since one of the great hazards in the atomic industry is the disposal of radioactive wastes. There is some indication, as much by silence as by affirmation, that Jackie Onassis' cousin John Andre Bouvier Jr was concerned with the storage of atomic wastes in this mountain's cavern system under the name of the Iron Mountain Atomic Storage Vault Co Inc. -since Bouvier has a broken wrist or otherwise incapable of civilly replying to an enquiry as to the location of the business of that above name, of which he is a Director, I must assume from other facts and evidence that it was intended to be constructed here in this mountain as part of the \$30,000,000 project of Cabot, Cabot & Forbes for the Kennedy Library etc. which was to utilize my home in the center of its project.

Without bothering to consult with me about it.

A most remarkable series of offenses have been raised against me world wide (though I am but a small importer I do trade world wide, and so these offenses eventually became visible to me since they tried, and tried, and tried, and failed, and failed, and failed, to "git" me - and gradually I became cognizant these were not just "the breaks" but that, as a fellow I made a millionaire fold a fellow I supported as a free lance writer, that "everything I did seems to fall apart." This of course is not true, and an awareness of this vendetta has been the means of my remedying it. Which I now seek to do as regards your man Dees promoting an anti-gun clique, the efficacy of which must in part be a reflection of the prestige and honor of your name and his association with you and your Campaign.

I have already enquired of Mr Regenstein as to the degree of influence which his trusteeship position in the Foundations of Chicago which he

represents - the Regenstein foundation is about fifty million dollars and of course intimately associated with the University of Chicago economic complex - may have had in paving the way for your good reception in Chicago politics.

Since this Chicago scene is one previously dominated by the Marshall Field US Steel Merchandise Mart Joseph P Kennedy alliance which had become escalated in the 1960s into the North American Water And Power Alliance, which would have been an enormously profitable means of pouring concrete, all of interest to the steel industry, it is important now to know to what extent you are simply another face on the same old body of planning?

And if as a "new face" you choose merely to use the same tired and time worn means to "git" Edwards whose principal sin is a desire to live quietly in my own home, no matter what engineering drawings might be dreamed up by R.T.K.L. Inc of Baltimore for the benefit of the Kennedys' economic advancement.

I notice you are a member of the Tri-Continental Economic Committee, Japan-US-Europe, along with Mr Nelson Rockefeller.

Is this true?

I must confess to sharing with Governor Brown of California a rather dim view now of Big Planning - and wonder if it is really wise for you as a Democratic candidate to be so closely associated with the Republican Vice President pro tem?

The participation of the Japanese in Virginia economy has not been profitable, it has resulted in their acquiring a lot of land in Bedford County in connection with expected coal development here for export to Japan, which development has not become reality. If this was a result of the Tri-Continental planning, it would seem to be defective. If, on the other hand, the Tri-Continental planning was intimately or directly associated with Virginia Development, perhaps it is the Tri-Continental Committee and or its members which should stand respondents to my civil complaints for the wrongs and injuries which I have suffered - or at least enjoyed - in the course of this vendetta against me and my freehold?

I would be obliged if you would be so kind as to confirm that you are, or that you are not, a member of this Committee and also advise as to the address of the secretary or registered agent of the committee, and aid me to obtain information about the work of the Committee, its members, meeting places, etc.

As a sort of "triune" entity it smacks much of the secret Jesuit Roman Catholic planning which was implicit in this Bicentennial Celebrations festivities, those which have NOT been displayed, since the coming together into the Holy Catholic Church which Baptist bank advisors in these parts were saying we were all going to do about this time. (Indeed the Catholic Church triumphant in America in the 1970s was a frequent theme of 1930s journalism in prognosis. "Prophecy" in religion is like cheating at cards.) My researches in this field have shown me Jesuit "invasions" in the past, with resulting apostacy. Yesterday a local Jesuit acting as a Baptist came by and in his discussion indicated his disaffection with the Church economic planning and his role in it, and suggested he had become somewhat angry or disgusted if not actually apostate or heretic.

Now this leaves it up to you, as a so-called Southern Baptist = are you a Jesuit in disguise?

Apparently some elements of the peanut industry have been much concerned about me in the recent past, and this suggests to me the question, if your role in the peanut industry is to sit upon oil lands? Like the Texas peanut ranches? By paying taxes and keeping lands in relatively low yield, control through agribusiness is kept over oil lands, and they are kept out of production since the worst thing for the industry is to go through that glut of overproduction of the late 1920s and early 1930s when "an excessive potential supply of oil has been drilled."

This oversupply of oil drilled then was capped and while kept in hidden or secret inventory, is generally concealed from public view since among the few things which are classified in the National Archives public records are logs of wells, "geological and geophysical information from wells."

Now the mountain forming processes which heated all that limestone to make Georgia Marble might have distilled a lot of oil underneath the red dirt, as well as the suppressed development of gold, iron, copper, manganese - I am sure a research of Georgia minerals would show more valuable resources which have been carefully suppressed in the uncompetitive fashion of management instituted by the Boston banks in that economic flurry called the American Civil War. It was not because they liked the tamarack that the Confederate Ordnance Department chose to plan the world's largest small arms factory at Macon - brick machine shop sheds 800 feet long - but because of the natural resources conveniently at hand in Georgia. The present proportional poverty of Georgia, its management in a sort of colonial agricultural economy, suggests that the carpetbaggers have not yet given up control - we call them here, from Cabot, Cabot & Forbes Land Trust, "cabotbaggers."

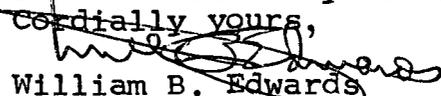
As the symptom of this control is the anti gun law (in Mass., New York, elsewhere that the Catholic political structure has its control) it is quite disturbing to find you in any shape or form advocating such anti-people legislation.

I would be very pleased to have an expression of views on these lines, as to whether you and Mr Rockefeller are simply coincidentally on the same board or whether this tends to influence your political and economic planning - that is, does Mr Rockefeller work for you, or do you work for Mr Rockefeller? Is a vote for Jimmy Carter a Vote For Standard Oil?

With all due respect to your probable skill as an agriculturist, and honesty as a farmer with full measure and no culls in the bags, yet the overall picture of Georgia as a state carefully kept in a downtrodden status as regards its mineral resources, suggests too much manipulation in public affairs - a manipulation which must be understood and public recognized to be worth risking in National Affairs with you as President.

A positive disavowal of anti gun laws, and some clarification of the relationship between you and Republican Rockefeller on the Tri-Continental Economic Committee would be welcome. It the "Tri" Jesuit joke for Roman Catholic, the Trinity so omnipresent in American money making today?

Cordially yours,

  
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May 8, 1976

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Dear Sir or Madam:

Allow me to inquire about a specific statement made by Morris Dees, a fund-raiser for candidate Jimmy Carter.

I am familiar with Mr. Carter's position on guns and gun laws; therefore, please do not send me any material in any form on that issue.

The specific remark by Mr. Dees is in relation to his setting up of a new anti-gun-ownership organization, claiming (quote)" within five years we'll break the National Rifle Association." (close quotes)

Since it is reported that Mr. Dees is one of the behind-the-scenes motivating forces of Jimmy Carter's campaign, it would seem logical that someone in your group respond to this public statement.

As I said at the outset, please do not send me general material pertaining to your candidate's stance of the past and present, gunwise.

I am inquiring after specific responses, should you care to give them.

Thank you.

*Roy Traband*

Yours,

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# CARTER FUND-RAISER MOUNTS ATTACK ON NRA

**S**PEARHEADING a proposed new mass movement against gun ownership, the chief fund raiser for Democratic Presidential Candidate Jimmy Carter has declared publicly that "within five years we'll break the National Rifle Association?"

The assertion by Morris Dees, multi-millionaire Alabama attorney who also raised funds for George McGovern in 1972, appeared in mid-April in *The Washington Star* in reference to a new anti-handgun organization, the National Gun Control Center. It apparently had no connection with the Carter campaign, but Dees could not be reached for comment.

A brochure for the new organization lists Dees as "Vice-Chairperson" and Atlanta Mayor Maynard Jackson as "Chairperson." The brochure and an accompanying letter made a direct attack on the NRA. Appealing to "one million Americans . . . to contribute an average of \$25 or more," the literature was mailed in envelopes proclaiming "Now The National Rifle Association has competition!" Included with a photograph of NRA Headquarters in Washington, D.C. was an accusation: "The NRA has distorted or suppressed the truth about handgun control for years."

The brochure then outlined plans to use contributions and dues to finance "Handgun Education Programs" in schools, churches, civic and social clubs; "Public Gun Reports" to include the number of handgun deaths, injuries and purchases as "stark reminders of the tragedy inflicted on thousands of Americans each year by these weapons," and even a "National Handgun Turn-In Center" to provide, "under the care of a major bank's trust department," storage for those who own handguns "until a Federal gun control law provides either direct compensation or a tax credit to the owners."

The Center also plans to distribute "millions" of "Stop Handgun" decals for display on automobiles as "visible votes for handgun control"; to produce "public



This decal for homes and cars, slashed with the international symbol for "No", conveys not only opposition to handguns but in some opinions is a potential invitation to robbers.

interest commercials for television and radio" to "show how our present lack of control threatens every citizen[sic]" and to publish "Gun Debate Facts" for TV talk show guests, letters to the editor writers, debaters and speech makers."

The organization's direct-mail appeal includes a promise that all its programs would be in effect within a year.

In addition to Jackson and Dees, its literature listed as its national committee former Justice Department official Archibald Cox, now a Harvard law professor; Charles Morgan, Washington ACLU director; Patrick Murphy, president of the Police Foundation and former police commissioner of New York City, Washington, Syracuse; Marjorie Benton, Chicago Better Government Ass'n; June P. McMichael, National Women's Political Caucus, and others.—C.E.A.



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Dear Mr. Carter:

I have never before in my life voted for a Republican, but political events of the present are very much different than in the past.

There is one issue I would like for you to clarify yourself on. After receiving your reply I plan to inform several hundred local voters of your answer.

You stated many times that you would never tell the voters a lie. You have also stated that you believe there is too much Government control of our lives. Then you turn around and state you favor more Government control by saying you favor registration of handguns, a ban on the sale of cheap handguns, and licensing provisions.

You can't have it both ways, and your 'no lie' statement looks pretty flimsy. Also, a high-ranking member of your staff has stated that "within five years we'll break the National Rifle Association." (see enclosed copy from national magazine) He wasn't speaking in reference to your campaign, but just his making such a statement since he is your chief fund raiser does raise questions an how you feel about private handgun ownership.

If you follow through with your present ideas you will be making law-breakers out of honest, law-abiding citizens who will not register their firearms out of fear that later the Government will take them up. Don't say that can't happen because it's coming close to happening in Washington, D. C. now. They passed a law that you have to register your guns. Now Councilman John Wilson is pushing for a bill to ban possession of all handguns and shotguns already registered.

I hope you change your views and leave the law-abiding citizens alone - free from handgun registration. I believe those convicted of crimes and those mentally incompetent should not be allowed to own guns, but you should not harass the law-abiding people of this Nation.

I would appreciate knowing your views concerning this letter, and would also like to know your views concerning Morris Dees' statement.

Sincerely,

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May 25, 1976

The Hon. Jimmy Carter  
Campaign Headquarters  
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Dear Governor Carter,

Up until recently I had found myself attracted by your candidacy.

Then I obtained information about your position on gun control.

You are so far removed from my own position that I have lost my interest in your candidacy. I find Messrs. Church and Udall much more acceptable.

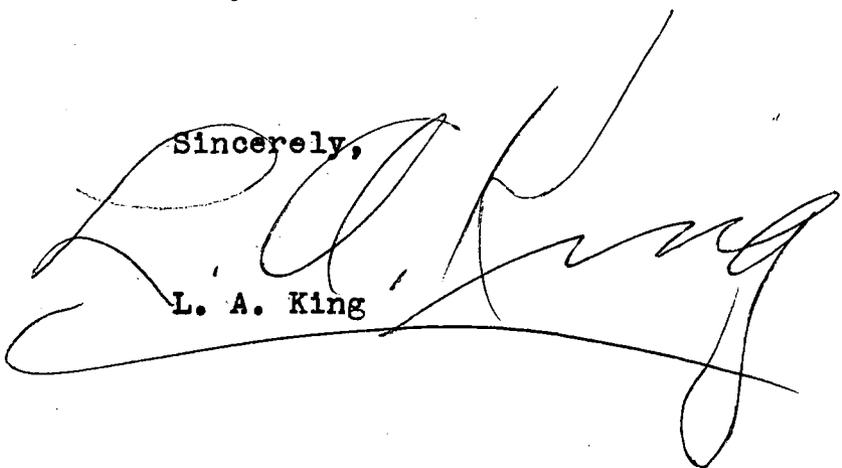
Three-fourths of guns used by criminals are already obtained illegally. Any registration scheme will simply increase that proportion toward 100%. Criminals are not going to register their tools of trade and so set up evidence against themselves. Indeed, a court decision has ruled that the fifth amendment protects them from so doing.

So registration is aimed against the common citizen, the little, decent, law-abiding man who wants to hunt and defend himself and his family.

I am sorry to find you taking the position that you do.

Sincerely,

L. A. King



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Dear Mr. Carter,

Attached is an article which ties you very closely with a position of ultimately banning private firearms ownership. Your stand on handgun registration alone is unacceptable although other issues have made your candidacy the better choice.

Like many gun owners, where I'm concerned, there is no area of doubt. Any connection with Edwin Rees and others connected with the National Gun Control Center - the title is gun control, not handgun control - creates doubt in the extreme.

Under the circumstances count me -

An ex-Carter supporter.

R. Rose, Jr.

# Carter Aide Forms Anti-Gun 'Center'

**JIMMY CARTER**, the currently leading contender for the Democratic Presidential nomination, says he "only" favors registration of handguns and prohibition of "Saturday Night Specials" (undefined). But the chief fund-raiser for the Carter Campaign seems to have much broader prohibitions in mind, for he has established a new, and potentially powerful, anti-gun organization. The puzzling question is: why was it set up during the heat of the primary contests unless it is somehow related to Carter's multi-faceted fund-raising efforts?

In mid-April we received a call from Tom Gresham, the personable young editor of *Southern Outdoors*. Tom had received a tip that a Washington D.C.-based organization entitled the National Gun Control Center had opened a bank account in Montgomery, Alabama, which seemed strange. Stranger yet, the tipster said the signator for the account was Morris Dees, head fund-raiser for Jimmy Carter. Further, by coincidence, a month or so earlier Dees had called an acquaintance at BASS, the Montgomery-based angler's society which publishes *Southern Outdoors*, inquiring about a source of decals for the "National Gun Control Center" — he had called from Carter's Atlanta, Georgia campaign headquarters.

Tom wanted to know if we had heard of NGCC. We hadn't. But we had heard about Dees, and by the next day we knew quite a bit more about him. Dees was also the chief fund-raiser for George McGovern in the 1972 Presidential campaign. He is a millionaire attorney with a penchant for controversial causes. For instance, he participated in the Selma civil rights march, is chief trial counsel for a free legal service entitled the "Southern Poverty Law Center" which operates from his Montgomery office address, and was a member of the legal team (and fund raiser) in the Joann Little case — until the judge threw him off for allegedly attempting to have a witness change his story, although he was later re-instated.

Because Carter's fund-raiser was setting up the "National Gun Control Center" during the campaign, at least partially from Carter Campaign Headquarters, with a reported bank account in a third state, we at first suspected that it was simply a phony "committee" set up for the quasi-legal laundering of contributions in circumvention of federal campaign financing laws. Dozens of such "committees" were set up by the McGovern campaign in 1972.

However, the National Gun Control Center isn't a fund-raising front for the Carter campaign. It's a legitimate — if unwelcome — organization which Dees told a syndicated columnist, will "within five years...break the National Rifle Association."

The chairperson of NGCC is Atlanta Mayor Maynard Jackson who recently said he "wholeheartedly supports" prohibiting the sale and private possession of handguns. Co-vice-chairperson, and presumably the group's fund-raiser, since he's an expert, is Morris Dees. Other members of the NGCC National Committee include Archibald Cox, former "Watergate" prosecutor and head speechwriter for John F. Kennedy during the 1960 campaign; June Pierson McMichael, executive director of the National Women's Political Caucus; LeGrand Mellon; Charles Morgan, director of the Washington American Civil Liberties Union; Patrick Murphy, president of the Police Foundation and former New York City police commissioner; Theodore Sorensen, author and former member of the Kennedy Administration; and Congressman Andrew Young (Georgia).

When we checked, the NGCC's office at 120 Connecticut Ave., Washington, had only one girl, and no signs. Solicitation literature stated that NGCC would "bring to the American people accurate, distortion-free information about the effects of private handgun ownership on crime, accidents and deaths" by pre-

operative in September. Application has been made for tax-exempt status, allowing contributions to be tax-deductible. All who contribute would become members. (Those facts may be significant, for a six-month-old membership organization may "inform" its members on political issues without it being a campaign expenditure.)

When Tom called for Dees and asked about NGCC, he was referred to a Southern Poverty staff attorney, Joe Levin, Jr., who said that the two organizations are not connected, but that "some members of the Southern Poverty staff are working on NGCC in a voluntary capacity." Levin said NGCC is a "strictly non-partisan, educational effort," adding that it "doesn't advocate any position" and that it "will only lay out facts and statistics." However, when Tom asked if NGCC would present both sides of the arguments, Levin said: "It certainly is going to be more partisan than that because it is a gun control group."

As for his own position, Levin said, "I am not for handgun control personally, I am for handgun abolition. Totally and completely." Further, he said he would "like to see rifles regulated for they can be used for the same purpose as handguns: to knock folks off." Asked what he meant by "regulating," Levin said: "Maybe sporting clubs could be formed where rifles would be available, or shotguns." Levin added that he did not think people should be allowed to "have them in their own home — rifles particularly. Shotguns I have less concern about."

Tom then contacted Dees at Carter Campaign Headquarters. The conversation was short; Dees said he is a volunteer worker for Carter and a volunteer worker for "gun control," but that "gun control has nothing to do with the Carter campaign."

Levin told Tom that NGCC is presently "testing to see if gun control money is available." Considering the group backing it, and Dees' proven expertise in fund-raising, operating money probably will be found, and NGCC is likely to become a formidable foe.

But for the moment, probably the most important thing about all this is what it reveals about the people around and behind Jimmy Carter. We know of members of the gun fraternity who are supporting Carter for the Democratic nomination, perhaps thinking that his Southern background indicates a friendly position toward firearms and firearms owners. But considering the activities of one of Carter's key aides, at a time when it appears that Carter might be the next President, there's not much doubt as to the firearms policies a Carter Administration would follow. — Neal Knox

June 28, 1976

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Dear Sir or Madam:

Knowing full well that no one would answer my inquiry of May 8 this year, about Carter's fundraiser Morris Dees and his pledge to "break the NRA within five years," let me say that this is par for the campaigning on the part of your candidate.

I will spare you details of how millions have undoubtedly reacted to Mr. Dees' proclamation and it just may cost you some votes.

But since Jimmy has already asked President Ford for the briefings needed for the time right after election this fall anything as trivial as the deepest feelings of legitimate gun-owners would be trivial in comparison.

Another bit of information has it that one Lewis Regenstein, a professional weeper for animals, is in line for Secretary of the Interior where he undoubtedly will press for an end to all sport hunting on federally-owned lands.

With Dees as U.S. Attorney General and the clown Regenstein esconced elsewhere in the cabinet it will be an interesting year, one we will all enjoy.

Frankly, I think it is the best news I have heard in a long time.

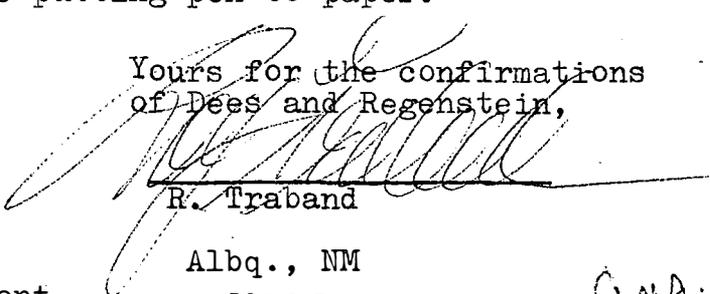
All of this, and more, will hasten the day when Mr. Carter is shown for exactly what he is.

No amount of help from the networks will lessen his exposure.

There are still a few honest people putting pen to paper.

CC: some truthseekers

Yours for the confirmations  
of Dees and Regenstein,

  
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PS: how come no network correspondent has told the country of these two individuals and Mr. Carter's plans for them?

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