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Will you vote to support the Second Amendment?

This Election Day, when you cast your vote for who will be the President for the next 4 years, you are also casting a vote on who will determine Supreme Court decisions for the next 40 years.



Our next President will soon appoint a replacement for Justice Antonin Scalia who passed away in February at the age of 79. Justice Ruth Bader Ginsberg, the eldest member of the court celebrated her 83rd birthday on March 15 of this year. Her health is fragile after battling colon and pancreatic cancer. In 2014 she had cardiac surgery. Justice Anthony Kennedy turned 80 on July 23. Justice Stephen Breyer is 78. There is a good possibility that our next President may be appointing replacements for any or all of these Justices during their first term.

The future of the Second Amendment is at stake

The D.C. v. Heller decision, which affirmed that the Second Amendment is an individual right, was a 5-4 decision with Justices Scalia, Roberts, Kennedy, Thomas and Alito in the majority. Justices Stevens, Souter, Ginsberg and Breyer dissented.

The Second Amendment says that the right to “keep and bear arms” shall not be infringed. D.C. V. Heller only affirmed that the Second Amendment guarantees the right to possess (i.e., “keep”) a firearm—in your home. The decision did not address whether or not you have the right to “bear arms.” There are cases heading to the Supreme Court that will ask the Court to address whether the Second Amendment protects the right to “carry” a firearm. There are other cases that will allow the court to redefine the Heller decision. Whoever appoints the replacement for Justice Scalia will determine the fate of the Second Amendment. *Who do you want that person to be?*

Who do you want appointing Supreme Court Justices?

One of the major party candidates for president recently stated that the Heller decision was “wrongly decided.” They has also said that America’s gun laws should emulate Great Britain’s and Australia’s. Both countries have abolished the ownership of most firearms and have engaged in forcible confiscation of privately owned firearms. The other major party candidate for president has publically stated their support for the Second Amendment, has a concealed weapons permit and has been endorsed by the NRA. *Who do you want to determine who is on the Supreme Court and will decide the fate of the Second Amendment?*

If you honestly care about your right to keep and bear arms, do not sit out this election. It is imperative that you vote in November to protect the future of the Second Amendment.

2015 & 2016 Arizona State Legislatures

How They Voted

Name	Dist.	Party	2015						2016						
			HB 2320	HB 2431	HB 2509	HB 2527	SB 1189	SB 1291	HB 2224	HB 2338	HB 2446	HB 2524	SB 1257	SB 1266	SB 1487
House															
J. Christopher Ackerley	2	R	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●
John M. Allen	15	R	●	●	●	NV	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●
Lela Alston	24	D				NV									
Richard C. Andrade	29	D													
Brenda Barton	6	R	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●
Jennifer D. Benally	7	D													
Reginald Bolding Jr.	27	D				NV									
Sonny Borrelli	5	R	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●
Russell "Rusty" Bowers	25	R	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●
Paul Boyer	20	R	NV	NV	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	NV		
Kate Brophy McGee	28	R		●	●	●		●	●	NV	●	NV		●	
Noel W. Campbell	1	R	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●
Mark A. Cardenas	19	D													
Heather Carter	15	R	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●
Ken Clark	24	D													
Regina Cobb	5	R	●	●	●	●	●	●	NV	●	NV	●	●	NV	●
Doug Coleman	16	R	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	
Diego Espinoza	19	D											NV		
Karen Fann	1	R	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●
Eddie Farnsworth	12	R	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●
Charlene R. Fernandez	4	D													
Mark Finchem	11	R	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●
Randall Friese	9	D													
Rosanna Gabaldón	2	D													
Sally Ann Gonzales	3	D													
David M. Gowan Sr.	14	R	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●
Rick Gray	21	R	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●
Albert Hale	7	D						NV		●					
Anthony Kern	20	R	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●
Matthew A. Kopec	9	D	Not a Legislator in 2015												
Jonathan R. Larkin	30	D									●				
Jay Lawrence	23	R	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●
Vince Leach	11	R	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●
David Livingston	22	R	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●
Phil Lovas	22	R	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●
Stefanie Mach	10	D													
Debbie McCune Davis	30	D													
Juan Jose Mendez	26	D							NV		NV				
Javan D. "J.D." Mesnard	17	R	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●
Eric Meyer	28	D													
Darin Mitchell	13	R	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●
Steve Montenegro	13	R	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●
Jill Norgaard	18	R	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●
Justin Olson	25	R	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●
Lisa A. Otondo	4	D													
Warren H. Petersen	12	R	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●
Celeste Plumlee	26	D	Not a Legislator in 2015												

Description of Bills

2015 Legislation

HB 2320 - Failed in Senate COW

Would exempt CCW permit holders from being disarmed in gov't buildings if security was limited to "no guns" sign

HB 2431 - Held in Senate Rules Cmte

Interstate Firearms Compact to defeat Gun Owner Registration ballot measure
Last Vote = Senate Approvs. Cmte.

HB 2509 - Failed in Senate Jud. Cmte

Would add taking (or attempt) of legally possessed firearm to definition of Aggravated Assault
Last Vote = Senate Judiciary Cmte.

HB 2527 - Signed by Governor

Prohibits political subdivisions from regulating the transfer of firearms

SB 1189 - Signed by Governor

Restores right to keep and bear arms when conviction is set aside

SB 1291 - Failed in Senate

Would allow civil actions against political subdivisions violating Arizona firearms preemption statutes.
Last Vote = House Third Read
Senate failed to act on House Amendments before adjournment

2016 Legislation

HB 2224 - Signed by Governor

Prohibits private firearms transfer from being subject to fees, liens, etc.

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Footnotes

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Franklin M. Pratt	8	R	NV	NV	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	
Rebecca Rios	27	D								●		NV				
Tony Rivero	21	R	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	NV	●		
Bob Robson	18	R	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●			
Macario Saldate	3	D														
Andrew C. Sherwood	26	D							Filled Senate Vacancy November 5, 2015							
Thomas "T.J." Shope	8	R	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	
Victoria Steele	9	D							Resigned January 11, 2016							
David W. Stevens	14	R	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	NV	●		
Bob Thorpe	6	R	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	
Kelly Townsend	16	R	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	NV	●		
Michelle B. Ugenti-Rita	23	R	●	●	●	●	●	NV	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	
Ceci Velasquez	29	D														
Jeff Weninger	17	R	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	
Bruce Wheeler	10	D														
Senate																
Ed Ableser	26	D		*	*		NV		Resigned September 30, 2015							
Sylvia Allen	6	R	●	●	*	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	
Nancy Barto	15	R	●	*	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	
Carlyle Begay	7	R		*	*		●	●	●	●	●		●	NV		
Andy Biggs	12	R	●	*	*	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	
David Bradley	10	D		*	*											
Judy Burges	22	R	●	*	*	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	
Olivia Cajero Bedford	3	D			*				NV	NV	NV	NV				
Lupe Contreras	19	D		*												
Andrea Dalessandro	2	D		*												
Jeff Dial	18	R	●	*	*	●	NV	●	●	●	●	●	NV	●	●	
Susan Donahue	5	R	Not a Legislator in 2015						●	●	NV	●	●	●	●	●
Adam Driggs	28	R		*		●	●	●	●	●	●			●	●	
Steve Farley	9	D			*											
David C. Farnsworth	16	R	●	*	*	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	
Gail Griffin	14	R	●	*	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	
Katie Hobbs	24	D			*											
John Kavanagh	23	R	●	●	*	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	
Debbie Lesko	21	R	●	●	*	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	
Barbara McGuire	8	D	NV	*	*	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	NV			
Robert Meza	30	D		*	*											
Catherine Miranda	27	D		*	*	NV										
Lynne Pancrazi	4	D		*	*	●	●	●	●							
Steve Pierce	1	R		*	*	NV	●	●	●	●	●		●	●		
Martin Quezada	29	D		*		●										
Andrew C. Sherwood	26	D	Served in House in 2015													
Don Shooter	13	R	●	●	*	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	
Steve Smith	11	R	●	*	*	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	
Kelli Ward	5	R	●	●	*	●	●	●	Resigned to run for U.S. Senate							
Bob Worsley	25	R		*	●	●	●	●	NV	●	●	●		●	●	
Steve Yarbrough	17	R	●	*	*	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	
Kimberly Yee	20	R	●	*	*	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	

Description of Bills

2016 Legislation (continued)

HB 2338 - Signed by Governor

Prohibits educational institutions from banning firearms on public rights of way

HB 2446 - Signed by Governor

Updates reference on NFA firearms

HB 2524 - Vetoed by Governor

Interstate Firearms Compact to defeat Gun Owner Registration ballot measure

SB 1257 - Failed in Senate Final Read

Would exempt CCW permit holders from being disarmed in gov't buildings if security was limited to "no guns" sign. *GOP Senators Begay, Pierce and Worsley switched to "No" votes & GOP Sen. Dial left the chamber causing bill to fail Final Senate vote*

SB 1266 - Signed by Governor

Allows civil actions against political subdivisions violating Arizona firearms preemption statutes (See SB 1291 in 2015)

SB 1487 - Signed by Governor

Requires AZ Attorney General to investigate local ordinances violating Arizona Constitution or state law

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Join us at AzCDL's Annual Meeting in Phoenix!

Mark your calendars!

AzCDL members and their guests are invited to attend AzCDL's [Eleventh Annual Meeting of Members](#) on

Saturday, October 8, 2016

This year's annual meeting will be held at the Sheraton Crescent Hotel, 2620 W. Dunlap Ave, Phoenix, Arizona.



As with all our annual meetings, the tasteful open carrying of holstered firearms is appreciated

All luncheon attendees will be eligible for our door prize drawings.

This year's keynote speaker will be David B. Kopel, an American author, attorney, political science researcher, gun rights advocate, and contributing editor to several publications. He is currently Research Director of the Independence Institute in Golden, Colorado, Associate Policy Analyst at the Cato Institute, contributor to the National Review magazine



and Volokh Conspiracy legal blog. Previously he was Adjunct Professor of Law, New York University, and former Assistant Attorney General for Colorado.

We are expecting a huge turnout!

Entrée selections this year are guajillo rubbed flat iron steak, guajillo rubbed chicken breast, or Vegetarian spinach and ricotta ravioli.

Luncheon tickets are \$20 per person and are available at AzCDL's [online store](#). Those preferring to pay by check may mail their payment to:

**AzCDL Membership
PO Box 86256
Tucson, AZ 85754**

When mailing your payment, please enclose a note with the number of tickets you are buying and the entrée selection for each person in your party.

For further information, please contact treasurer@azcdl.org, or leave a **voice mail** message at (623) 242-9086.

Silent Auction Donations Wanted!

For several years, we have conducted a silent auction in conjunction with our annual meeting of members. We are doing it again this year. Proceeds go to AzCDL and help offset the cost of the annual meeting.

If you have an item you would like to contribute to this year's silent auction, please contact treasurer@azcdl.org.

AR-15 Raffle

AzCDL is raffling off TWO custom built AR-15's with:

- Mil-spec parts
- Match grade barrel
- Anderson upper, lower & bolt carrier
- Gas impingement system
- Low profile gas block
- Free float slim key mod rail
- Adjustable butt stock



The drawing for these rifles will be held during AzCDL's [Annual Meeting](#) on Saturday, October 8, 2016.

Only 900 tickets will be sold. Each ticket represents TWO chances to win.

Tickets are \$10 each and can be purchased at gun shows and other events where AzCDL has a table.

Tickets may also be purchased at AzCDL's [online store](#).



AzCDL 2016 Director Election Results



To promote continuity in leadership, the terms of office for [AzCDL's directors](#) are staggered. This year, the director positions held by John Wentling and Drake Mitchell expired. Both sought reelection. No other nominations were received.

Per AzCDL's bylaws, a balloting process is not required when any individual runs unopposed. As a result, John and Drake have been reelected to 3 year terms.

The expiration dates for all AzCDL directors' terms of office are as follows:

- 2017—Fred Dahnke & Tom Woodrow
- 2018—Dave Kopp
- 2019—John Wentling & Drake Mitchell

Pursuant to AzCDL's bylaws, following the election of directors, the Board appointed the following officers to one year terms:

- Dave Kopp—Chairman of the Board
- Dave Kopp—AzCDL President
- John Wentling—Vice President
- Tom Woodrow—Secretary
- Fred Dahnke—Treasurer
- Cap Lund—Assistant Treasurer
- Charles Heller—Media Coordinator

