To whom it may concern,

I, as a concerned citizen, strongly believe that we need laws passed that will make us as safe as possible when it comes to the subject of guns and gun-related violence. I am tired of seeing an organization like the NRA being able to influence politicians and giving them money in order to vote against sensible gun control legisliation.

I think certain types of weapons need to be taken off the market entirely (regardless of what gun fanatics want).
There should be magazine clips that hold no more than 10 rounds of ammunition (possibly even less). I see no reason to having more than that, except to kill as many humans as possible.
I think there should be very strict sentences handed out to people who purchase and sell guns to known criminals.
Guns should not be allowed to be sold at gun shows or in private without a person having gone through all the necessary background checks. If you get caught selling or buying guns in that circumstance, you should pay stiff penalties.
There should be strict penalties against any gun owner who does not have guns properly stored and locked. The penalities should be even stronger if there are children in the house.
We should be doing more to stop illegal guns coming into the country.
You should not be able to buy guns in one state and bring them across the border of another state.
Ammunition or guns being sold over the internet should face severe punishment if caught.
There should be stricter laws for people who use their weapon in domestic disputes... or even use it to threaten people with. You should also never be allowed to own a gun again.
There should be laws forcing people to have to attend classes to know proper gun handling, shooting, etc. It should be like getting a driver's license.

I don't know exactly what laws are on the books and which ones are not. I also believe that gun control is not the only answer. There should be better access to health care for people who might be emotionally or mentally disturbed. We also need to enforce the laws that are currently on the books. Simply creating new laws won't change anything if we don't enforce them.

I think guns are dangerous. I have no use for them. I think there are far too many gun-related incidents and fatalities in this country committed by seemingly normal and law abiding citizens, who end up using their gun for the wrong reason. I do NOT think that more guns is the solution to our national problem. There are far too many guns already. I do NOT believe that arming teachers in schools, or letting people walk around armed into restaurants, banks, theaters, etc. is the answer. That is totally irresponsible and is a recipe for disaster. I don't think that guns should be outlawed, though. I just believe certain types should... and there should be greater regulation than there currently is. There are far too many mass shootings taking place these days and it frightens me to think that it can happen anywhere at anytime. This needs to stop... now!!

Thank you for listening,
Respectfully,

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