

To Whom it May Concern,

The following is the testimony I plan on presenting to The Gun Control Working Group public hearing, Monday January 28, 2013, Legislative Office Bldg. 10:00am, Room 2C.

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On April 19th 1775 The Controlling Government Authority, the British Crown marched on the towns of Lexington and Concord, Massachusetts with the intent of imposing strict Gun Control. It was the intention of General Gage to disarm the Colonials. His intent was to deprive the "citizens" of their arms, their powder, and ball, and thus prevent a rebellion. Without the extreme prejudice shown toward the Crown by the Colonials, we would not be the United States of America.

Today, the citizens of Connecticut are on the precipice of an assault upon their inalienable rights. Rights are not granted by Government, nor are they dependent upon Government for their existence. Government can try and impose restrictions upon rights and if the governed allow this they ultimately loose not only their rights they also loose their freedom and ultimately they loose themselves.

We elect individuals bound by an oath to support our Constitution. This oath is scared, however, I believe many who take this oath do so with reservation, and some with malice, some also take the oath with no intent of keeping their word, and some take the oath out of ignorance. Any of those upon whose shoulders this sacred oath is placed, must understand that to break that oath makes them initially a liar, but more devastatingly than this is the fact that they are indeed Traitors to that oath. Such actions make them a danger to the Freedom and the Liberty of those persons our sacred Constitution and Bill of Rights supposedly protect.

Liberty does not come without a cost, sometimes that cost is the blood of patriots and sometimes of tyrants. Unfortunately, too that cost sometimes involves the blood of innocents. All are sacrificed upon the alter of Freedom.

Today, we are present at this public hearing where well meaning and some not so well meaning individuals have proposed "laws" that infringe upon those inalienable rights that precede our Constitution. They tell us our Founders did not mean what they said and that these proposals are not infringements. Well they are wrong they are deceitful and they by their proposed actions are detrimental to Liberty and Freedom.

Some would say that we need to sacrifice some of our Liberty for the sense of security that they say these “changes” will bring and that it will not hamper our Liberty nor lessen our Freedom. To them I say Nay. You shall not have our Rights Nor shall you have our Freedom. As they both come from God Almighty and neither you nor your minions will remove either from us. We are Free Men & Women; we are guided by the Constitution.

Many of the people in this room have served in the military, I unfortunately did not. Those who did also took a sacred oath, to protect and defend the Constitution of the United States from All Enemies Foreign and Domestic. On Saturday January 19th 2013, well over 1000 individuals on the grounds of the Capital, swore an oath to the Constitution of the United States. I am one of those individuals. I pledged my Life, my Fortunes, and my Sacred Honor to the same. I wonder how many legislators are will to pledge their Lives, their Fortunes, and their **Sacred Honor** to take our LIBERTY from us?

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