Remarks

Task Force on Citizen Safety and Protection

Meeting #6

Tuesday, October 16, 2012

\*Pledge of Allegiance.

\*Opening Prayer.

\*Roll Call.

\*Minutes.

\*Just a reminder that Task Force members should not communicate on Task Force matters outside of these public meetings.

\*Welcome to Edward Waters College, Florida's oldest independent institution of higher learning as well as the state's first institution established for the education of African Americans.

\*Thank you President Nathaniel Glover.

\*Today we will hear from three 2nd Amendment organizations followed by public comment.

\*Each organization will have 50 minutes to make their presentation and take questions from the Task Force members.

\*If Q&A runs long with any group, we will simply take that time out of lunch hour.

\*For lunch John will be collecting $10 from each Task Force member that would like to have lunch.

\*At 1:00pm sharp we will begin taking public comment. Citizens wishing to make comment must sign up first in the lobby. Each citizen will be able to speak to the Task Force for three minutes.

\*Our first presenter today is from the Florida Carry who is represented by Eric J. Friday

\*Eric J. Friday is a trial attorney with the Jacksonville firm of Fletcher & Phillips, who concentrates his practice on, criminal defense, firearms law, and civil litigation, in addition to the firm’s focus on family law. Prior to joining Fletcher and Phillips he practiced with a complex personal injury firm as well as owning his own practice. He is regularly called on to discuss current legal issues in the news on different local media outlets and consults with other attorneys on firearms related issues.  He is admitted to both the Florida and Alabama Bar, as well as the Middle District of Florida.  Eric has been actively involved in firearms issues since 1996, when he began working on campaigns through the NRA's election volunteer program.  Eric is currently lead counsel for Florida Carry, Inc., and is involved in several active cases regarding firearms preemption, 2nd Amendment rights, and self defense.

\*Thank you Mr. Friday.

\*Next we will hear from Florida Unified Sportsmen represented by Al Hammond.

\*Al Hammond is a Florida resident and handles hunting and outdoor recreational issues involving firearms safety and self-defense in the out-of-doors for Unified Sportsmen of Florida.  For 19 years he has held this position and has worked closely with the Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission and the NRA on issues involving firearms, hunting and sportsmen.

\*The final subject matter expert we will hear from is Marion Hammer of the National Rifle Association.

\* Marion Hammer represents the National Rifle Association, a position she has held for 34 years.  In 1995 she became the First Woman President in NRA's history 125 year history.  She handles NRA's legislative activities in Florida and worked closely with sponsors of the 2005 "Castle Doctrine" legislation.

**Closing remarks outline**

\*Next meeting will be Tuesday, November 13 at WSRE Amos Studio, Pensacola State College

1000 College Blvd., Pensacola Fl  32504.

\*At our next meeting will reverse the usual order and hold public comment first and spend the rest of the meeting in a report drafting workshop. We will work from a draft outline that staff has prepared and work to complete the language of draft final report during the meeting.

\*With this in mind, use the time between these two meetings to study your notes and the documents and information provide to us during the past six meetings.

\*As a reminder to the Task Force Members and the general public, all citizen input, all documentation and video recordings of every meeting.

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\*Thank you and see you all in a month.