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Chief Joe Logan
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RE: UNLAWFUL FIREARM PERMIT DELAYS

January 11, 2024

Dear Chief Logan,

It has come to our attention that the Honolulu Police Department is violating the provisions of Hawaii law, including Act 52 of 2023, by delaying firearm permit applications submitted before Act 52's effective date of January 1, 2024.

Firearm permit applications submitted prior to the effective date may not be delayed under the provisions of a law that had not yet taken effect, and to do so violates not only state law, but also the United States Constitution's Second Amendment.

This has come to our attention not through public outcry, but through National Association for Gun Rights members whose rights are being directly infringed by the Honolulu Police Department's unlawful delay of permits applied for prior to January 1, 2024. As any attorney will be happy to confirm, one affected member is all a national Second Amendment organization needs in order to establish legal standing to seek relief for affected members.

Your actions violate the Second Amendment of the United States Constitution, as well as the Equal Protection Clause of the Fourteenth Amendment.

Act 52 itself is an egregious violation not only of the Second Amendment, but the U.S. Supreme Court's precedents in *D.C. v. Heller* and *NYSRPA v. Bruen*. It is both highly surprising and deeply concerning that the Honolulu Police Department – already open to litigation over its enforcement of this statute – further lays itself open to direct legal action by trampling the Second Amendment in ways Act 52 never authorized or even contemplated.

You are advised to reverse course and approve all carry and firearm permit applications submitted in 2023 pursuant to the provisions of the Hawaii laws in effect at



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the time of submission rather than unlawfully subjecting them to the provisions of Act 52 which were not yet in effect.

Failure to do so may result in referral of this matter to our foundation for additional legal action.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Hannah Hill". The signature is fluid and cursive.

Hannah Hill
Director of Legal Affairs
National Association for Gun Rights