

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
FOR THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

TOM G. PALMER, et al.,	)	Case No. 09-CV-1482-HHK
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Plaintiffs,	)	<b>DECLARATION OF</b>
	)	<b>EDWARD RAYMOND</b>
v.	)	
	)	
DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, et al.,	)	
	)	
Defendants.	)	
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**DECLARATION OF EDWARD RAYMOND**

I, Edward Raymond, am competent to state, and declare the following based on my personal knowledge:

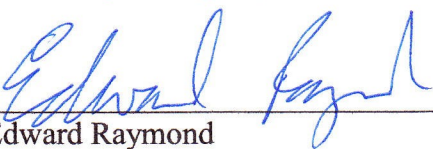
1. I am an honorably discharged Navy veteran and citizen of the United States.
2. I own a home in Waldorf, Maryland, and am currently enrolled as a student in the Franklin Pierce Law Center in New Hampshire while also maintaining employment as a Patent Examiner. I hold a Master of Business Administration degree, as well as a Master of Science degree in Electrical Engineering, and have started various successful businesses.
3. On April 6, 2007, I was stopped by District of Columbia Police for allegedly speeding.
4. At the time the police stopped me, I held licenses to carry a handgun issued by the states of Maryland and Florida, which I still hold.
5. Although I was not charged with a traffic violation, I was charged with carrying a pistol without a license because my loaded handgun was located in my car's center console.
6. I subsequently pled guilty to misdemeanor possession of an unregistered firearm and unregistered ammunition, and successfully completed a sentence of probation.

7. I would carry a functional handgun in public for self-defense, but refrain from doing so because I fear arrest, prosecution, and fine, as I do not possess a license to publicly carry a handgun in the District of Columbia.

8. On June 26, 2009, I sought to register a handgun in the District of Columbia, but was refused an application form on account of my lack of residence in the District.

I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

Executed this the 26<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2009.

  
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Edward Raymond