

# Dean of Washington gun lobby John M. Snyder endorses Trump

The man known in the nation's capital as "the dean of Washington gun lobbyists" has come out and joined the growing number of United States VIPs and endorsed a true "Inside the Beltway" outsider – Donald J. Trump – who is expected to win the South Carolina and Nevada Republican primaries.

"GOP presidential candidate Trump is four-square on gun rights," former NRA publications editor John M. Snyder said in his office in Titusville, Florida, earlier today. "The attempt to undermine the Trump candidacy with firearm owners is an outrage," he added.

Snyder is referring to certain Democratic Party news media hacks and even some Republicans who claim Trump is not a strong advocate for America's gun owners who are under attack by the Obama-Clinton coalition.

"One Republican [presidential] opponent has even charged that Trump as president would nominate to the Supreme Court justices who would eviscerate the Second Amendment," Snyder noted. "This is shameful and desperate," he said.

"As far as I know, Trump is the only presidential candidate with a permit, issued by New York City, to carry a concealed firearm. [Trump also] believes a citizen with a [concealed handgun] permit issued by one state ought to be able to carry in other states as well," added Snyder, who serves on the Board of Advisors for the 15,000-member National Association of Chiefs of Police (NACOP).

"Trump has repeatedly defended the individual Second Amendment civil right of law-abiding citizens to keep and bear arms. He has criticized severely restrictive gun control laws as partially responsible for a number of high-profile murders,

including multiple murders. His book, Crippled America, even includes a chapter on the importance of Americans' gun rights."

Snyder said that, "Criticism of Trump on the right to keep and bear arms issue seems to have come about at least partially because his pro-gun rights position represents a reversal of previously-held attitudes."

"However, that is ridiculous. Our pro-gun rights, pro-individual freedom movement needs converts in order to continue expanding throughout the United States. Where would the United States be today if our Founding Fathers had continued to seek reconciliation with the English Crown rather than promoting American independence? Even modern conservative icon Ronald Reagan switched from Democrat to Republican."

Snyder asserts that, "Instead of voicing suspicion and even condemnation of Donald Trump, lovers of individual gun rights and personal freedom should welcome him and support his campaign to make America great again."

In the past, there have been a number of political leaders who changed their positions on key issues. For example, former Democratic Party presidential hopeful Al Gore was pro-life for many years until he became a liberal U.S. Senator. George H.W. Bush was a pro-choice Republican but changed his position on abortion when he became President Ronald Reagan's second-in-command.

A practicing Catholic, Snyder has been named "the dean of Washington gun lobbyists" by both the Washington Post and the New York Times. He's been dubbed "a champion of the right of self-defense" by the Washington Times, the "gun dean" by Human Events magazine, and "the senior rights activist in Washington" by Shotgun News.

He holds AB and MA degrees in government from Georgetown University. He has been an NRA magazine editor and official of

the Citizens Committee for the Right to Keep and Bear Arms and the Second Amendment Foundation. He directs Telum Associates, LL.C, and serves on boards of the National Association of Chiefs of Police, Council for America, and the American Federation of Police & Concerned Citizens.

## LARGEST POLICE ORGANIZATION ENDORSES TRUMP

During a Republican presidential campaign bash in Portsmouth, New Hampshire, a key primary state for both the GOP and Democratic Party, the 5,000-member New England Police Benevolent Association, that represents rank-and-file police officers from the Granite State, as well as Massachusetts, announced the PBA's "proud endorsement of Donald Trump."

Officials from the police officers association said during the Dec. 10, 2015 event, that they believe they have endorsed "the candidate who best serves our membership." Speaking to the powerful and influential law enforcement group the man known as "The Donald" promised that upon being elected as Commander in Chief and being inaugurated in January 2017, one of his very first actions will be to sign an executive order.

"Anybody killing a policeman, a policewoman, a police officer, anybody killing a police officer: Death penalty is going to happen, okay?" he told the cheering crowd. "The police and the law enforcement in this country – I will never ever let them down, just remember that."

Federal criminal procedure law already has a provision giving the federal government the power to execute cop-killers at the federal level. Former police lieutenant and a director of corporate security, Thomas Wollinsky, told the Conservative Base that he's heard numerous law enforcement officials praise Trump and criticize the majority of Democrats. "Trump reminds us of people like Reagan and Giuliani who didn't pander to the enemies of cops the way far too many politicians do today," said Wollinsky.

“They still use the tired, old narrative of racist cops oppressing blacks in order to garner votes and gain power over the blacks who are in the end the primary victims of lawless and violent individuals,” Wollinsky added.

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