



2023 IN REVIEW

SAI JOINS LEADERSHIP INSTITUTE'S 50TH SOIREE

SAI joined the Leadership Institute's Annual Fourth of July Conservative Soiree for its 50th Anniversary on July 4, 2023 as a Diamond Level sponsor.

SAI President Tyler Yzaguirre shared the stage with female champion athlete Riley Gaines and conservative titan Morton Blackwell.

Yzaguirre discussed the importance of SAI's work with more than 200 in the crowd.



SAI Joined Conservative Titan Morton Blackwell For 4th Of July

ANNUAL 2A CHAMPION CEREMONY HOSTED IN WASHINGTON, DC

SAI's annual *Second Amendment Champion Ceremony* was hosted this year in Washington, DC. More than 70 attended to meet and congratulate Rep. Chip Roy of Texas, and Dianna Muller, President/Founder of the DC Project.

“It is an honor to be recognized, but this award goes out to all the leadership and members of the DC Project that are showing up and making a difference in their communities across the nation.” said Muller upon receiving this award.



Congressman Chip Roy (TX) and Dianna Muller (DC Project) were the 2023 recipients.

SECOND AMENDMENT ACTIVIST DAYS



On February 28 and 29, SAI Board Members Col. Allen West, Sheriff Mike Lewis and Jan Morgan, along with SAI President Tyler Yzaguirre, met with 2A Congressional leaders on Capitol Hill.

Member Meetings:

Rep. Wesley Hunt, Rep. Paul Gosar, Rep. Lauren Boebert, Rep. Anna Paulina Luna, Rep. Mary Miller, Rep. Nathaniel Moran, Rep. Morgan Luttrell, Rep. Clay Higgins, and Rep. Jay Obernolte.

Bills Discussed:

H.R. 38 - National Reciprocity, H.R. 53 - Firearm Industry Non-Discrimination Act (FIND Act)
H.R. 152 - Hearing Protection Act, H.R. 450 - Repeal the NFA Act

Congressman Moran Mentions SAI to Supporters:



“I also hosted Lt. Col. Allen West and the Second Amendment Institute last week to discuss the importance of fighting to protect these rights for all Americans.

As a proud advocate for Second Amendment rights, I will fight for the right of every law-abiding American citizen to freely carry arms.”

(Photoed Right: Rep. Moran, Sheriff Lewis, Col. West, Tyler Yzaguirre)



SECOND AMENDMENT DEFENDER RECEPTION

SAI Hosted Its Annual 2A Defender Reception with Congresswoman Lauren Boebert with a sold out crowd of 80+ 2A Activists in Washington, DC

February 28, 2023 -- Washington, DC

Special guests included SAI Chairman Allen West, SAI Board Members Sheriff Mike Lewis and Jan Morgan, Congresswoman Lauren Boebert, and Dick Heller (*DC v. Heller*).



Photoed Left to Right: Official Event Poster, and SAI President Tyler Yzaguirre addressing attendees.

SAI ENTERS CONGRESSIONAL RECORD

March 23, 2023 -- Washington, DC

ATF'S ASSAULT ON THE SECOND AMENDMENT: WHEN IS ENOUGH ENOUGH?

JOINT HEARING
BEFORE THE
SUBCOMMITTEE ON ECONOMIC GROWTH, ENERGY
POLICY, AND REGULATORY AFFAIRS
OF THE
COMMITTEE ON OVERSIGHT AND ACCOUNTABILITY
AND THE
SUBCOMMITTEE ON CRIME AND FEDERAL
GOVERNMENT SURVEILLANCE
OF THE
COMMITTEE ON THE JUDICIARY
[Serial No. 118-11]
ONE HUNDRED EIGHTEENTH CONGRESS
FIRST SESSION
MARCH 23, 2023

“ Now I am pleased to introduce our witnesses today. ...Amy Swearer is a senior legal fellow at the Heritage Foundation. Ms. Swearer is an expert on the Second Amendment and firearms in the United States and in 2022 received the Second Amendment Institute's 2022 Gun Rights Champion award.

ALLEN WEST NAMED PREMIER CHAIRMAN

On May 11, Lt. Colonel Allen West, ret., was unanimously elected as the premier Chairman of the Board of the Second Amendment Institute.

Col. West had encouraging words for his new role.

“I look forward to my new position as Chairman of the Second Amendment Institute and believe it is a natural complement to my ongoing work as Executive Director of the American Constitutional Rights Union. Both roles support my personal efforts to fight Marxist attempts to subjugate Americans to totalitarianism - which begins by disarming Her citizens...”



LTC Allen West is well known for his ability to create networks and alliances between individuals and organizations critical to the preservation of the American experiment.

SAI JOINS NATIONAL COALITION LETTER

On May 30, the Second Amendment Institute signed onto a coalition published by the National Taxpayers Union condemning the Federal Government from profiting from inflation.



Coalition Letter: Address Bracket Creep Now

“The undersigned organizations strongly encourage consideration of a simple policy to quickly address the impacts of inflation on working families, investors, and businesses across America – capital gains indexing.”

Organizations that SAI has worked with in the past and signed onto this letter include:

Americans for Tax Reform
Club for Growth
The Heritage Foundation
The Heartland Institute
Freedomworks

CHIP ROY AND DIANNA MULLER JOIN 2A CHAMPION LIST

June 22, 2023 -- Washington, DC

On June 22, Congressman Chip Roy and Dianna Muller joined the prestigious list of past SAI Second Amendment Champions including: Amy Swearer (2022), Philip Van Cleave (2022), Lauren Boebert (2021), and Dick Heller (2018).



Chip Roy currently serves as the Congressional Member from Texas's 21st Congressional District. Dianna Muller is the President and Founder of Women For Gun Rights, formerly known as The DC Project.

Muller accepted this award alongside Congressman Roy for their life-long defense of the Second Amendment.

Women For Gun Rights Arizona State Director and SAI Board Member Cheryl Todd, also joined.

Roy and Muller received eagle statues, photoed above, and the SAI Team Member lapel pin (featured to the right) reserved only for SAI Board Members and 2A Champion recipients.



This story was covered by the *OUTDOORWIRE*, the Outdoor Industry's Daily Transactions Newsletter.

SAI PROUD TO PARTNER WITH LI AGAIN

July 4, 2023 -- Lorton, VA



The Second Amendment Institute joined the Leadership Institute, for their 50th Fourth of July Soirée on July 4th, at Occoquan Regional Park in Virginia.

More than 1,000 Leadership Institute supporters gathered to celebrate the Fourth of July with live music, food, and drinks.

Conservative Activist Riley Gaines, headlined the event. Several local politicians also took part through 5 minute long speeches on the main stage.

SAI SIGNS COALITION LETTER OPPOSING FEDERAL CONFIRMATION

July 11, 2023 -- Washington, DC

Conservatives Oppose Confirmation of General Charles Q. Brown

Per the Letter:

“The conservative movement opposes the confirmation of General CQ Brown, Jr. as the next Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff – the nation’s highest-ranking military officer. Gen. Brown’s track record at the Air Force and his zealous commitment to race-based hiring metrics would jeopardize the unity, lethality and readiness of our armed forces. We urge all senators to oppose his nomination.”



Signers Included: The Honorable J. Kenneth Blackwell (Conservative Action Project), Lt. Col. Allen West Ret. (SAI / ACRU), Lt. Gen. William G. Boykin Ret. (Family Research Council), The Honorable Russ Vought (Office of Management and Budget, Fmr. Director), U.S. Senator Jim DeMint, Penny Y. Nance (Concerned Women for America), The Honorable Brooke Rollins (AFPI), Kevin Roberts, Ph.D. (Heritage Foundation), Bob Carlstrom (AMAC), L. Brent Bozell III (MRC), Tim Macy (GOA), and Star Parker (CURE).

BOARD MEMBER DANIA VIZZI TAKES HOME THE GOLD...AGAIN!

July 2023 -- Dania Vizzi wins the gold in the Women’s Skeet at the 2023 International Shooting Sport Federation (ISSF) Lonato, Italy, Shotgun World Cup, July 8-17.

Vizzi earned her Lonato first place medal after beating Simonton in the gold medal match. Vizzi’s victory brings her 2023 World Cup medal count to three. She earned silver medals in Mixed Team Skeet and Women’s Skeet team at the ISSF Rabat Shotgun World Cup in January.

“It’s amazing just to be out there with the best in the world and on such a big field here in Italy,” the Odessa, Florida, native said after securing the gold medal. “To come out on top is such a great experience and I am very blessed.”

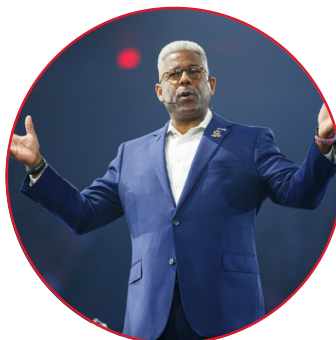
Vizzi has been a Board Member of the Second Amendment Institute since January 2021.



WORDS OF WISDOM

SAI Board Chairman Gives Liberty University Convocation

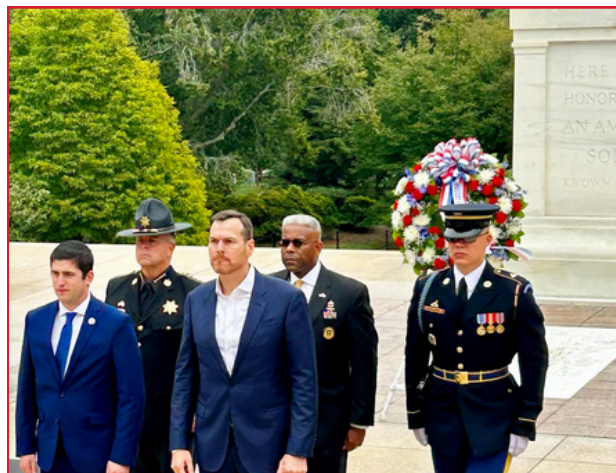
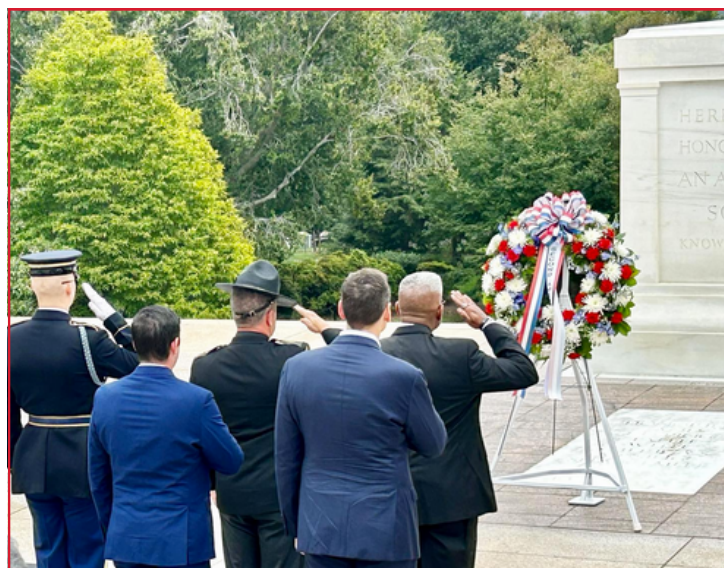
September 13, 2023 -- Lynchburg, VA



Liberty University President Dondi

E. Costin welcomed former Florida Congressman and retired Army Lt. Col. Allen West to the Convocation stage Wednesday morning, where West shared the 10 verses that have enabled him to be a Champion for Christ and challenged the students to “find your own 10.”

HONORING AMERICA'S HEROES



SAI Lays Wreath At Tomb Of The Unknown Soldier

September 22, 2023 -- Arlington, VA

SAI Board Chairman Colonel Allen West, ret., and Board Member Sheriff Mike Lewis (*Wicomico County, MD*), laid the Wreath at the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier, as SAI President Tyler Yzaguirre and SAI Life Member Nathaniel H. stood in the background with their hands over their hearts.

A “Call to Arms” was rendered, followed by the playing of *Taps*, and the conclusion of the ceremony when “Order Arms” was issued.

A special thanks to Nathaniel H. and Randy R. Jr., for their generous donations, which covered the cost of the Military Wreath.

DFAS 2023

Defending Freedom Action Summit Draws National 2A Heroes

September 23, 2023 -- Arlington, VA

DFAS 2023 drew 110 Second Amendment activists this year in Arlington, VA.

Headline speakers included Col. Allen West, Mark McCloskey, and Sheriff Mike Lewis.



Visit www.DFASummit.com for more information.

***Special thanks to DFAS top-sponsor HSP Direct.**



DC PROJECT HITS DC

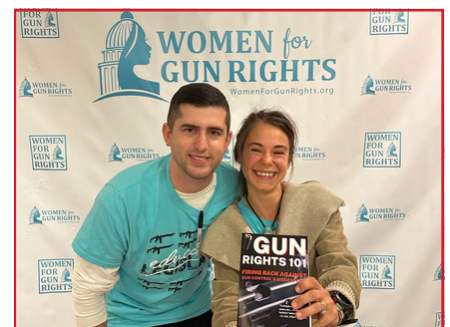


SAI Proud To Join Women For Gun Rights

October 16, 2023 -- Washington, DC

The Second Amendment Institute joined Women For Gun Rights (previously the DC Project) for their annual 2A Lobby Days in Washington, DC and activist training.

SAI President Tyler Yzaguirre is a longtime friend of WFGF Founder and President, Dianna Muller, who is a retired police officer.



END OF YEAR BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

SAI Board of Directors Board Meeting & Team Building Event

December 7, 2023 -- Fort Belvoir, VA

SAI's Board of Directors, President, and CFO had a productive end of year meeting. Key takeaways included nominating new Board Members and ending Defending Freedom Action Summit with a replacement.

The Board and Executive Officers also visited the National Museum of the U.S. Army, and were given a private tour by the Foundation's President, General Burt Thompson.

Dick Heller (*DC v. Heller*) and home defenders Mark & Patricia McCloskey joined the tour as well.

**A special thanks to museum senior staff for the private tour.*



INAUGURAL HOLIDAY PARTY

SAI's Premier Winter Wonderland Soiree Brings Out Big Crowd

December 7, 2023 -- Washington, DC



This is the first year that SAI has hosted four staple events in its seven year history.

During this two-hour event, 45 Second Amendment supporters from across the DMV joined Board Members Col. Allen West, George Lyon, and Sheriff Mike Lewis, along with SAI President Tyler Yzaguirre and CFO Zakery Tretton. Special guests at our sold out Christmas party included home defenders Mark & Patricia McCloskey and Dick Heller (*DC v. Heller*).

(Photoed Above: SAI Supporters and the McCloskeys)

SAI DEFENDS 2A AT U.S. HOUSE JUDICIARY HEARING

SAI President Tyler Yzaguirre Joined Women For Gun Rights At Their U.S. House Judiciary Committee Hearing

December 13, 2023 -- Capitol Hill, Washington, DC

Women For Gun Rights (formerly the DC Project) sent down a star-studded witness lineup for the United States House Judiciary Committee's "Second Amendment Rights Empower Women's Rights" on Wednesday, December 13th on Capitol Hill.

Pro-2A witnesses included Beth Alcazar (USCCA Editor-At-Large), Shirley Watral (Florida Director, Women For Gun Rights), and Geneva Solomon (Redstone Firearms).

Members present included the House Judiciary Subcommittee on Crime and Federal Government



Left to Right: Tyler Yzaguirre, Beth Alcazar, Chmn. Andy Biggs, Shirley Watral, Geneva Solomon

Surveillance Chairman Andy Biggs (R), Sheila Jackson Lee, Ranking Member (D), Troy Nehls (R), Barry Moore (R), Laurel Lee (R), Lucy McBath (D), Madeleine Dean (D), and Henry C. "Hank" Johnson (D). Other Members present who are not Members, but were yielded time to speak included Jim Jordan (R), Wesley Hunt (R), and Jerry Nadler (D).

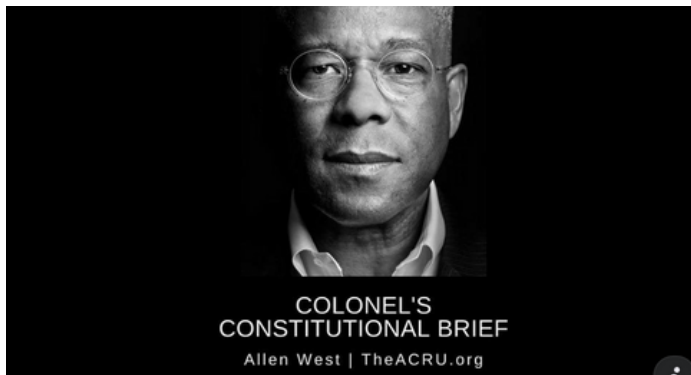
While Republican Committee Members focused on the issue at hand, self-defense with firearms empowering women, radical gun-grab Democrats focused their questioning and opening statements on the fact that firearms "are not the great equalizer" and how can "women be empowered while abortion bans exist?"



A Moment For The History Books

Women For Gun Rights Members reach across the aisle by offering to take photos of the Moms Demand Action Group at the Subcommittee Hearing on 12/13/23 on Capitol Hill.

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