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NFOA LAWSUIT AGAINST LINCOLN TO BE HEARD BY NEBRASKA SUPREME COURT

When the Nebraska Legislature passed Legislative Bill 77 in 2023, it intended to enact constitutional carry statewide. For that reason, LB 77 also included strong preemption language blocking local interference with the right to keep and bear arms. Mayors in Omaha and Lincoln responded to this legislation by issuing executive orders directly defying the new law. After an early success in litigation against the City of Omaha, a similar case in Lincoln was dismissed by a district court judge in Lancaster County.

On Thursday, January 16, the Nebraska Supreme Court granted the Nebraska Firearms Owners Association's motion to bypass the Nebraska Court of Appeals in the Lincoln case. This means that the district court's dismissal order in NFOA v. Lincoln will be reviewed by the state's highest court. NFOA is encouraged by this extraordinary action by the Nebraska Supreme Court and looks forward to the opportunity to continue to fight the executive overreach by Omaha Mayor Jean Stothert and Lincoln Mayor Leirion Gaylor Baird.

NFOA President Patricia Harrold said "We are grateful for this opportunity to defend the rights of all Nebraskans in our state's highest court. When good people come together and take a stand, we make a difference." The laws and constitutions of Nebraska and the United States apply in Lincoln and Omaha just like they do in the rest of the state. A majority of Nebraskans live or work in these two cities. They are entitled to exercise their right to keep and bear arms both inside and outside of the city limits.

About Nebraska Firearms Owners Association

NFOA is the "Voice of Nebraska Firearms Owners" leading efforts to preserve Nebraskans' natural rights as guaranteed in Article 1 of our state constitution. Our members reflect the diversity within the firearms community. With over 10,000 active members, and 26,000 followers representing every district in Nebraska, NFOA is the most respected and most recognized grassroots organization relied upon by elected officials to draft effective legislation and stay informed about issues affecting firearms owners.