

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA

File No.

In The General Court Of Justice
District Court Division

_____ County

Name Of Plaintiff

VERSUS

Name And Address Of Defendant

MOTION FOR RETURN OF WEAPONS SURRENDERED UNDER DOMESTIC VIOLENCE PROTECTIVE ORDER AND NOTICE OF HEARING

G.S. 50B-3.1(f), (g)

MOTION BY DEFENDANT FOR RETURN

As required by the Court in the domestic violence protective order in this case, I surrendered the following property to the Sheriff of _____ County: *(check all that apply)*

- ☐ firearm(s).
☐ ammunition.
☐ permit(s) to purchase firearms.
☐ permit(s) to carry a concealed weapon.

The domestic violence protective order that required the surrender of the property listed above expired on the date listed below and has not been renewed. There ☐ is ☐ is not a pending motion to renew. As indicated in the Applicant Information section on Pages 2 and 3, I am not precluded by any State or federal law from owning or possessing a firearm and I have no pending criminal charges in State or federal court alleged to have been committed against the person who is protected by the domestic violence protective order. I request the Court to order the sheriff to return the items I surrendered.

Date Protective Order Expired

Date

Signature Of Defendant

MOTION BY THIRD-PARTY OWNER FOR RETURN

Pursuant to the domestic violence protective order entered in this case, the defendant surrendered to the Sheriff of _____ County the firearms, ammunition, and gun permits on the date listed below.

☐ *(required only for items surrendered before December 1, 2025)* This motion is filed not later than 30 days after the surrender of those items.

I, and not the defendant, am the owner of the surrendered property described below. I request the Court to return this property to me. I am not precluded by any State or federal law from owning or possessing a firearm as indicated in the Applicant Information section on Pages 2 and 3.

(Describe firearms, ammunition, and gun permits that belong to person filing motion.)

Name And Address Of Third-Party Owner (type or print)

Date Weapons Surrendered

Date

Signature Of Third-Party Owner

APPLICANT INFORMATION

WARNING: This section must be filled out completely and truthfully. False statements may result in criminal prosecution.

Name (Last, First, Middle)			Maiden Name, Nickname, Alias		
Current Residence	Street	Apartment No.	Previous Residence	Street	Apartment No.
	City, State, Zip Code			City, State, Zip Code	
Other States Of Residence					
Are You A U.S. Citizen? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No			If No, List Country Of Citizenship		
Home Telephone			Work Telephone		
Social Security Number			Drivers License/ID No.		State
Employer			Occupation		
Employer Address (Street, City, State, Zip Code)					
Race		Sex	Date Of Birth		Place Of Birth
Height		Weight		Hair Color	Eye Color
Distinguishing Scars, Piercings, Tattoos, Etc. (describe)					

1. Do you have any criminal charges in State or federal court, including traffic offenses, pending against you? ☐ Yes ☐ No
 What type of charge and where is it pending? _____
 Name alleged victim and relationship to you _____
 2. Have you ever been convicted of a misdemeanor crime of violence (including domestic violence) in either a State or federal court? ☐ Yes ☐ No
 What was the crime? _____
 When and where were you convicted? _____
 Who was the victim of the crime? _____
 3. Have you ever been convicted of a felony in either a State or federal court? ☐ Yes ☐ No
 What was the crime? _____
 When and where were you convicted? _____
 4. Have you ever been convicted of driving while impaired in either a State or federal court? ☐ Yes ☐ No
 When and where were you convicted? _____
 5. Are there any outstanding warrants for your arrest? ☐ Yes ☐ No
 Where and for what reason? _____
 6. Are you under indictment for a crime at this time? ☐ Yes ☐ No
 Where and for what reason? _____
 7. Are you currently subject to a domestic violence protective order or any other order that restrains you from harassing, stalking, threatening or engaging in any conduct that would place anyone in reasonable fear of bodily injury? ☐ Yes ☐ No
 What court issued the order? _____
- IMPORTANT: You must attach a copy of the protective/restraining order to this motion.**
8. Are you currently on probation (supervised or unsupervised) in North Carolina, for any level of offense? ☐ Yes ☐ No
 9. Were you ever a member of the military? ☐ Yes ☐ No
 If yes, what kind of discharge did you receive? _____
 10. Are you currently using or are you addicted to any controlled substance, including marijuana, cocaine, methamphetamine, or heroin? ☐ Yes ☐ No

Name Of Defendant		<div style="display: inline-block; width: 10px; height: 10px; background-color: black; transform: rotate(45deg);"></div> File No.
11. Are you illegally or unlawfully in the United States? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No		
12. Are you admitted to the United States under a nonimmigrant visa? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No What are the circumstances of your nonimmigrant visa? _____		
13. Have you ever renounced your United States citizenship? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No		
14. Have you ever been a patient in any mental institution or hospital? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No When and where? _____		
15. Have you ever been adjudicated incompetent by a court? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No When and where? _____		
Date	Name Of Applicant (type or print)	Signature Of Applicant
NOTICE OF HEARING		
Pursuant to a motion made by <input type="checkbox"/> the defendant <input type="checkbox"/> a third-party a hearing will be held before a district court judge at the date, time, and location indicated below to determine whether <input type="checkbox"/> to return the weapons surrendered to the defendant. <input type="checkbox"/> the third-party claiming the weapons surrendered is the owner of the items listed in the motion and is entitled to have the items returned to him/her. The plaintiff has a right to appear and be heard at this hearing.		
Date Of Hearing	Time Of Hearing <div style="text-align: center;"><input type="checkbox"/> AM <input type="checkbox"/> PM</div>	Location Of Hearing
Date	Signature Of Clerk	<input type="checkbox"/> Deputy CSC <input type="checkbox"/> Assistant CSC <input type="checkbox"/> Clerk Of Superior Court
NOTE TO CLERK: You must give a copy of this notice of hearing to the defendant or third-party when the motion is filed, and you must mail a copy by first class mail to the plaintiff and give a copy to the sheriff. If the motion is filed by a third person, you must also mail notice of the hearing to the defendant.		
CLERK'S CERTIFICATION		
I certify that on the date of mailing shown below, a copy of this Motion And Notice Of Hearing was served on the plaintiff at the address listed below, by depositing a copy in a postpaid properly addressed envelope in a post office or official depository under the exclusive care and custody of the United States Postal Service. <input type="checkbox"/> On the same date a copy was served on the defendant at the address listed on this motion by the same method.		
Address Of Plaintiff (type or print)	Date Of Mailing	Date Of Certification
	Signature Of Clerk	
	<input type="checkbox"/> Deputy CSC <input type="checkbox"/> Assistant CSC <input type="checkbox"/> Clerk Of Superior Court	

(See Page 4 for a non-exhaustive list of Federal firearms restrictions)

NON-EXHAUSTIVE LIST OF FEDERAL FIREARMS RESTRICTIONS

18 U.S.C. § 922(g) and (n) provide:

(g) It shall be unlawful for any person—

- (1)** who has been convicted in any court of, a crime punishable by imprisonment for a term exceeding one year;
 - (2)** who is a fugitive from justice;
 - (3)** who is an unlawful user of or addicted to any controlled substance (as defined in section 102 of the Controlled Substances Act (21 U.S.C. 802));
 - (4)** who has been adjudicated as a mental defective or who has been committed to a mental institution;
 - (5)** who, being an alien—
 - (A)** is illegally or unlawfully in the United States; or
 - (B)** except as provided in subsection (y)(2), has been admitted to the United States under a nonimmigrant visa (as that term is defined in section 101(a)(26) of the Immigration and Nationality Act (8 U.S.C. 1101(a)(26))) *[means those aliens not admitted for permanent residence; does not prohibit aliens who possess “green card” from possessing guns or ammunition]*;
 - (6)** who has been discharged from the Armed Forces under dishonorable conditions;
 - (7)** who, having been a citizen of the United States, has renounced his citizenship;
 - (8)** who is subject to a court order that—
 - (A)** was issued after a hearing of which such person received actual notice, and at which such person had an opportunity to participate;
 - (B)** restrains such person from harassing, stalking, or threatening an intimate partner of such person or child of such intimate partner or person, or engaging in other conduct that would place an intimate partner in reasonable fear of bodily injury to the partner or child; and
 - (C)**
 - (i)** includes a finding that such person represents a credible threat to the physical safety of such intimate partner or child; or
 - (ii)** by its terms explicitly prohibits the use, attempted use, or threatened use of physical force against such intimate partner or child that would reasonably be expected to cause bodily injury; or
 - (9)** who has been convicted in any court of a misdemeanor crime of domestic violence,
- to ship or transport in interstate or foreign commerce, or possess in or affecting commerce, any firearm or ammunition; or to receive any firearm or ammunition which has been shipped or transported in interstate or foreign commerce.

[. . .]

(n) It shall be unlawful for any person who is under indictment for a crime punishable by imprisonment for a term exceeding one year to ship or transport in interstate or foreign commerce any firearm or ammunition or receive any firearm or ammunition which has been shipped or transported in interstate or foreign commerce.

18 U.S.C. § 922(k) and (o) and **26 U.S.C. § 5861** make it unlawful to possess a machine gun or firearm with altered or obliterated serial number except under certain specified circumstances.