

Georgia is one of the strictest states in the union concerning the legal carrying of firearms by its citizens. While the nation has enjoyed almost universal firearms carry law reform and the freedoms of millions of Americans have been restored, Georgia's citizens are still living under vague, unclear and terribly restrictive carry laws.

Georgia's constitution provides that, "The right of the people to keep **and bear** arms *shall not be infringed*, but the General Assembly shall have power to prescribe the **manner** in which arms may be borne." (emphasis ours).

GCO has accomplished or is working on the following issues:

- Successfully forcing counties and cities to repeal their local gun bans throughout the state.
- Working with the General Assembly to remove state law restrictions on where peaceable citizens may carry a gun.
- Forced three recalcitrant probate courts to issue temporary renewal licenses to members.
- Forced the State of Georgia to abandon its unlawful requirements that an applicant for a firearms license disclose his Social Security Number and employment information to apply.
- Filed a lawsuit over the refusal of probate courts to issue firearms licenses within 60 days as allowed by law.
- Forced a settlement on the State of Georgia after filing a lawsuit over the State's refusal follow the Open Records Act and disclose documents relating to the firearms license process.

Is your current gun rights organization tightly focused on these important, Georgia-specific issues? If not, please give very careful consideration to joining the group that is fighting for the state constitutional right of its members to keep and bear arms.

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