



## **AOC and the 2<sup>nd</sup> Amendment**

The Alaska Outdoor Council and its sister corporation the Alaska Fish and Wildlife Conservation Fund (AFWCF) are participating via an amicus brief in the US Supreme Court review of the D.C. v Heller case involving 2<sup>nd</sup> Amendment individual gun rights. In addition, the Sitka Sportsmen's Association, Territorial Sportsmen Inc., Juneau Gun Club, and Juneau Rifle and Pistol Club anticipate participating.

Dick Heller's challenge of certain restrictive gun laws in the District of Columbia was upheld by a lower federal court. D.C. chose to take the case to the Supreme Court. This is the first serious Supreme Court review of 2<sup>nd</sup> Amendment interpretation in about 70 years.

Jack McGee, a Juneau lawyer of long experience in state and private practice, an advocate of the individual right to keep and bear arms, and an active shooter, offered to prepare the amicus brief supporting Heller's 2<sup>nd</sup> amendment rights arguments without charge, if supporters would pay the printing costs. The AFWCF Board agreed to pay the costs, estimated at \$1000. On hearing of the effort, the clubs mentioned above acted to join also. **This effort still needs your support.** Other clubs and individuals may participate by donating to the Alaska Fish and Wildlife Conservation Fund, POB 73902, Fairbanks, AK 99707.