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Biden's Radical Anti-Gun Agenda

- David Chipman, Joe Biden's nominee to lead the ATF, is a gun control extremist who attacks law-abiding gun owners and the Second Amendment instead of criminals.
- Chipman's nomination proves that Biden is committed to a far-left gun control agenda.
- Chipman is a far-left ideologue who wants to trample the Second Amendment rights of every American. Chipman is advocating for:
 - "Federal authorities" to take charge of a "national comprehensive" gun control approach that would [supersede state gun laws](#).
 - [Banning all private gun sales](#).
 - Regulation of commonly owned semi-automatic rifles "[just like machine guns](#)."
 - Banning "[assault weapons](#)" (but he can't even define what an "assault weapon" is).
 - [Banning](#) the manufacture of these so-called "assault weapons."
- It's abundantly clear that Chipman holds law-abiding gun owners in contempt. Chipman has:
 - Mocked first-time gun owners last year, suggesting they were doomsday preppers and comparing them to [Tiger King](#): "They might think that they're die-hard, ready to go, but unfortunately they're more like Tiger King."
 - Compared gun owners to people who "[want a muscle car](#)" so they can have "outsized power."
 - [Explained](#): "I think there's also an element for people who chose not to serve [in the military] that this somehow allows them to connect with that service without them having to do it — like you can kind of act patriotic without having to do it."
 - Expressed he believes people own guns because they're "[afraid](#)" and want to "[feel safe](#)."
 - [Recommended](#) gun owners should "secure that gun locked and unloaded and hide it behind the cans of tuna and beef jerky that you've stored in a cabinet and only bring that out if the zombies start to appear."
- Chipman has suggested that some people should be arrested even before they [commit a crime](#), but is bizarrely [open](#) to reinstating felons' ability to own a gun after they are released from prison.
- As radical as his views are, Chipman's service record also raises serious questions on his competence:



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- Senators on the Judiciary Committee have received information suggesting that [Chipman misplaced or lost his service weapon](#) when he was at the ATF.
- Chipman allegedly made a racially charged comment in 2007, saying to multiple coworkers “[wow, there were an unusually large number of African American agents that passed the exam this time. They must have been cheating.](#)” The comment “[spread like wildfire](#)” at the ATF.
- During the campaign, Joe Biden said “[Bingo](#), you’re right” to the suggestion that “A Biden Administration means they’re going to come for my guns.” Chipman’s nomination is proof that Biden meant what he said – he’s coming after Americans’ Second Amendment rights.
- [RNC Research](#): Biden’s Anti-Gun Radical