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Alaska Marijuana Control Board Testimony

Re: License #13249 Application for Marijuana Manufacturing Facility, Talkeentna

Firearms and marijuana do not mix! Marijuana users, even those with medicinal cards, cannot own/possess firearms or ammo. This is under Title 18 USC Section 922 (g) (3).

The Alaska Dept. of Public Safety, doing the NCIC computer background checks, only check for convictions of previous crimes within the last 5 years. They do not ask, if they, are users of marijuana, or own/possess firearms or ammo. So I was told when the Mat-Su Valley Legislative Office called.

The AMCB does not have the Authority to ask applicants if they own/possess firearms or ammo! So I was told when I called the AMCB.

I called the local ATF office here in Anchorage, and was told, marijuana users cannot own/possess firearms or ammo! ATF Form 4473 Line 11e, says,"Warning: The use or possession of marijuana remains unlawful under Federal Law, regardless of whether it has been legalized or decriminalized for medicinal or recreational purposes in the state you reside. "

The US 4th Circuit Appellate Court and the 9th also, have ruled in such cases, and affirmed marijuana users cannot own/possess firearms or ammo! Penalties, are fines and 10 years imprisonment!

Obviously the marijuana license applicants are marijuana users. So if they own/possess firearms or ammo, they are Federal criminals and must be denied applications!

Therefore the question must be asked, if the license applicants own/possess firearms or ammo. Till they are asked, a freeze or denial of ALL applicants should be in effect.

The Alaska Marijuana Control Board, must ensure the license application process is not sanitized! By looking the other way!

Last, I oppose this marijuana manufacturing facility license #13249, Talkeetna. Where we have 9 churches, to counsel spirits, and 13 bars/liquor outlets to serve spirits, in the area from the Y to Talkeetna. It is not needed!

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PS The GCI Teleconference operator cut me off 2 times while listening , (Jan 24th) when I wanted to remark.