

A SPECIAL NEWSLETTER FOR
OUR SPORTSMEN AND



HERITAGE. TRADITION. VALUES.

See inside for a special message for our sportsmen and women.



ASSEMBLYMAN WILL BARCLAY UNDERSTANDS THE IMPORTANCE OF:

- ★ Repealing the ill-conceived NY SAFE Act;
- ★ Our constitutional rights;
- ★ The conservation of our environment and wildlife;
- ★ Protecting and maintaining the Conservation Fund; and
- ★ The quality of hunting and making sure hunting rights are not diminished by government regulations and policies.



ASSEMBLYMAN WILL BARCLAY KNOWS THE VALUE OF PRESERVING OUR SPORTING HERITAGE AND PROTECTING OUR FAMILY TRADITIONS FOR FUTURE GENERATIONS

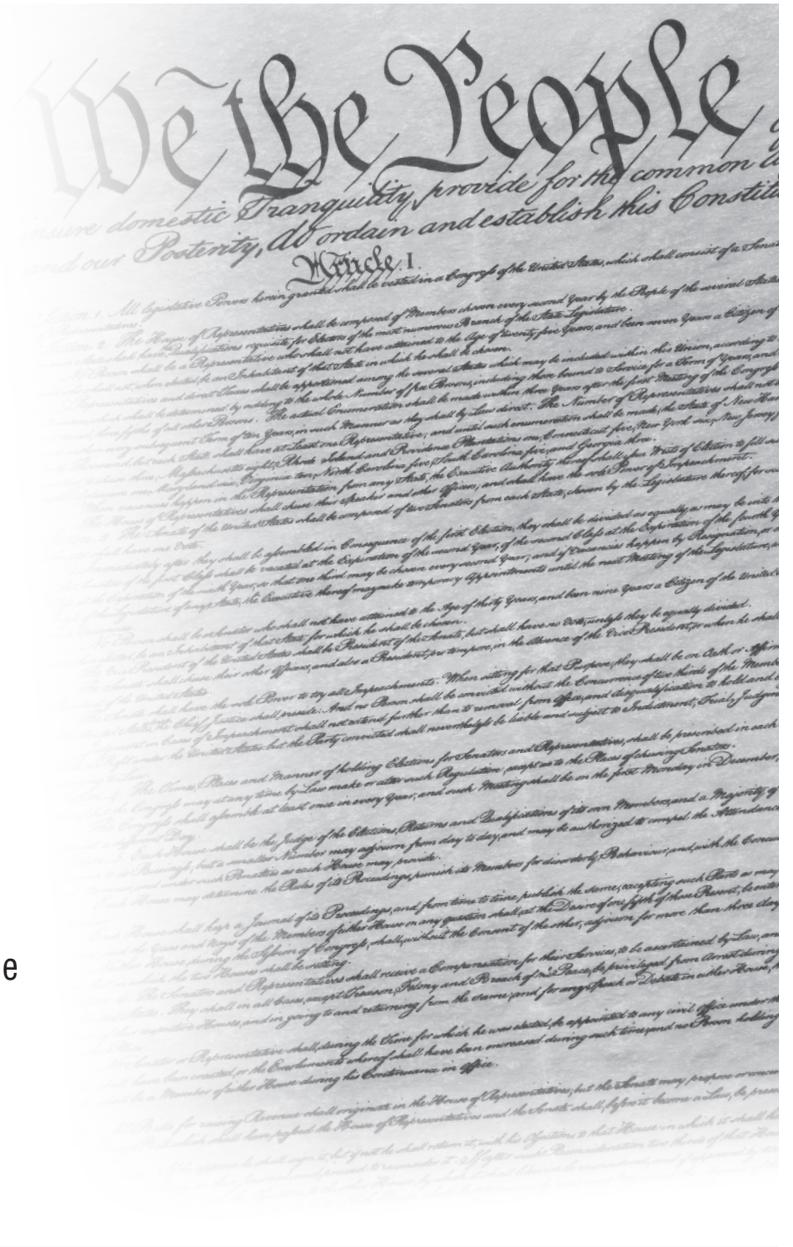


Legislation that Assemblyman Will Barclay supports for our sportsmen and women:

- ★ **Making Hunting, Trapping, and Fishing Your Right:** This proposed constitutional amendment would preserve the rights of New Yorkers to hunt, trap, and fish (**Assembly bill 1159**);
- ★ **Use of Snowmobiles for Hunting, Trapping, and Fishing Areas:** Establishes a non-trail snowmobile registration for snowmobiles that will be used solely for the purpose of gaining access to hunting, fishing, and trapping areas (**Assembly bill 1427-A**);
- ★ **Allowing UTV Registration in NYS:** Raises the defined weight of an ATV to 1,500 pounds of dry weight to allow certain utility vehicles (UTVs) to be registered in New York (**Assembly bill 1951**);
- ★ **Teach Hunting and Fishing in School:** Promotes hunting, fishing, and outdoor activities in a high school physical education classes (**Assembly bill 3256**);
- ★ **Handicap Accessibility on State Land:** Authorizes handicapped people special access to hunting and fishing grounds on state land (**Assembly bill 803**);
- ★ **Passing Down Family Traditions:** Lowers, to 12, the minimum age at which an individual may obtain universal hunting licenses (**Assembly bill 8358**); and
- ★ **Lifetime Sportsmen License for Veterans:** Allows honorably discharged disabled veterans to purchase a lifetime sportsman license at a reduced rate (**Assembly bill 773**).

Legislation Assemblyman Will Barclay supports and sponsors that defends and protects our communities without infringing on our constitutional rights:

- ★ **Full Repeal of NY SAFE Act:** Repeals the NY SAFE Act in its entirety (**Assembly bill 3943**);
- ★ **Right to Keep and Bear Arms:** Amends the New York State Constitution to include the right to keep and bear arms (**Assembly bill 5538**);
- ★ **Passing on Firearms to Family:** Allows the transfer of a firearm upon the death of a family member. Recipients restricted to immediate family (**Assembly bill 3730**);
- ★ **Fee Prohibition of Firearms:** Prohibits fees from being imposed for recertification of pistol permits and registration of “assault weapons” (**Assembly bill 1696**);
- ★ **Changes the Definition of an “Assault” Weapon:** Removes pistol grips, muzzle breaks, and muzzle compensators from the definition of “assault rifle;” removes thumbhole stock from the definition of “assault shotgun;” and removes a shroud attached to, partially or completely, encircling the barrel from the definition of “assault pistol” (**Assembly bill 4974**);
- ★ **Ammunition Sales Exclusions:** Authorizes a licensed shooting preserve or organized target shooting club to sell ammunition for exclusive use on the premises without being deemed a “seller of ammunition” (**Assembly bill 1809**);
- ★ **Hunting on SUNY ESF:** Restores hunting rights on the State University of New York College of Environmental Science and Forestry (SUNY ESF) at Syracuse University by exempting from the class E felony crime of Criminal Possession of a Weapon on School Grounds, possession of a rifle, shotgun, or firearm on the forestry lands held in trust for the benefit of SUNY ESF (**Assembly bill 1126**); and
- ★ **Rights of Military Personnel:** Allows qualified military personnel, both on and off duty, to possess large capacity ammunition feeding devices issued to them (**Assembly bill 6521**).



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Assemblyman Barclay Named Sportsman Advocate of the Year

Assemblyman Will Barclay received the Sportsman Advocate of the Year Award from the Oswego County Sportsmen Federation on Saturday, April 16. The federation represents more than 20 sportsmen's organizations throughout the county and meets regularly.



"Since being elected, Assemblyman Barclay has worked to create and defend laws and policies that help protect sportsmen's and Second Amendment rights," said Chuck Parker, president of the Oswego County Sportsmen Federation. "He has long been recognized as a friend to those who are stewards of our rich lands and natural resources."

Barclay Argues Against NY SAFE Act at S.U.



Assemblyman Will Barclay tactfully argued against the New York SAFE Act at a civil debate at Syracuse University. He and John Lott, a political commentator and author of "More Guns, Less Crime," questioned the law's effectiveness at increasing public safety. Arguing against Barclay and Lott were Leah Barrett, executive director of New Yorkers Against Gun Violence, and Robert Spitzer, a SUNY Cortland professor and author of *The Politics of Gun Control*. Barclay voted against the bill in the Assembly and has been a vocal opponent of the law.

NY SAFE Act NEWS ALERT

Since the passing of U.S. Supreme Court Justice Antonin Scalia, the New York State Rifle & Pistol Association (NYSRPA), is no longer pursuing its lawsuit contesting the constitutionality of the law. According to multiple reports and the NYSRPA website, President Tom King said that, given what we know or believe about the current makeup of the U.S. Supreme Court, the best case scenario would be a 4-4 decision, which would likely leave the law in place, resulting in the Second Circuit's decision being affirmed. Even worse, however, is the possibility the high court could vote to uphold the SAFE Act, establishing a new precedent in favor of gun regulation nationwide. According to King, NYSRPA is, "eager and ready to reengage in this fight. And we will do so at the first opportune moment."

ASSEMBLYMAN WILL BARCLAY
"I'D LIKE TO HEAR FROM YOU!"

If you have any questions, comments, or feedback on what I can do better to represent you in Albany, please let me know!



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