

Dear Supporters:

It's been too long since I last wrote, but I've been taking a little time off since the trial and also coming to grips with the possibility of having to spend a year or more in jail (some of my convictions have a one year minimum sentence). The sentencing hearing is scheduled for March 17 and my family and I are hoping and praying that I won't have to serve any jail time. Regardless of the sentencing outcome I will not be dissuaded from my principled stand against the Firearms Act (Bill C-68).

After sentencing we will have 30 days to launch our appeal to the Supreme Court of Ontario. As promised to you, we will be appealing this lower court decision to the next higher level. As long as you (our supporters) continue to fund this constitutional challenge I am fully committed to putting my time and energy into it as well. We are very happy with our lawyer Doug Christie and will continue to use him during the appeal process.

I've been getting a lot of calls and e-mails since the trial in personal support and also wanting to know where the constitutional challenge stands right now. First of all I'd like to thank those who e-mailed or wrote in support but didn't give me a return address. This has been a very stressful time for our family and we really appreciate all your kind words of support. Without people like you we would be unable to continue in this fight.

Secondly I will give a brief point form list of where we are in the constitutional challenge:

1. Get charged under the Firearms Act (bill C-68) so that we would have standing to challenge the constitutionality of this law in the courts. I was charged Sept 11, 2004.
2. Our constitutional hearing was held in the Ontario Superior court in Kenora October 2007. We lost this hearing but the judge did recognize our right to firearms for personal defence.
3. As a result of losing this first constitutional hearing my wife (Donna) and I had to stand trial. We were both found guilty of possession of firearms without a license. This is an important point, because we NEEDED to be found guilty of this charge in order to continue our constitutional challenge of the Firearms Act.
4. **This is where we are right now;** Sentencing hearing will be held on March 17, 2008. We have 30 days from this hearing to file our appeal to the Supreme Court of Ontario. (We plan on doing just that.)
5. Assuming the Supreme Court of Ontario will hear our appeal we will have to argue our case in Queen's Park (Toronto).
6. Regardless of who wins in the Ontario Supreme Court it will likely be appealed to the Supreme Court of Canada. This of course will be heard in Ottawa.

For more detailed information about some of the technicalities of what I mentioned above please visit our website at www.BruceMontague.ca or feel free to call or write me.

On another note; if your business or organization has donated towards this charter challenge we'd like to post your name on our website as a supporter. If you would like your business or organization displayed please e-mail me directly (bmontague@mail.drytel.net) with the name and contact info you would like shown along with a small graphic if you have one. This may also be an advertising aid to your organization that I hope you'll find beneficial.

Yours in Liberty, Bruce.

"The government has created a nation of paper criminals. People can be put in jail and lose civil rights and liberties through bureaucratic procedures."

"The only thing that is keeping you out of jail is government goodwill."

- Ayn Rand