

**Total People Killed by Concealed Carry Killers
May 2007 to the Present**

The following vignettes describe the circumstances for all killings (private citizen, law enforcement, mass shootings, murder-suicide) not ruled self-defense by private individuals legally allowed to carry concealed handguns. The descriptions include the current, known status of any charges filed against the concealed carry killer as reported by news sources as well as noting instances where the perpetrator committed suicide.

The Violence Policy Center welcomes any new information regarding the status of any case (with verifiable source(s)). Use this link to contact the VPC: <http://www.vpc.org/contact.htm>.

Alabama

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Unidentified

UNINTENTIONAL

Date: November 14, 2018

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On November 14, 2018, two-year-old Ke'Anthony Jelks, Jr. found his father's gun and unintentionally shot himself in the face. He was pronounced dead at the scene. Ke'Anthony's father had a concealed carry permit. According to Ke'Anthony's great-grandmother, "The father had just gotten off work. And probably just set the gun somewhere, and like I said, children look around and play with stuff. And that just probably happened to fall in his eyesight. And he got it."

Sources: "Two-year-old toddler dies after he found father's loaded weapon and accidentally shot himself in the face," *meaww.com*, November 16, 2018.

Alabama

■ **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Dalton Martin Jowers

PENDING

Date: June 10, 2017

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On June 10, 2017, concealed handgun permit holder Dalton Martin Jowers, 19, allegedly shot and killed Lauren Wright, 17, outside a home where Wright was visiting friends. Wright and Jowers were known to each other and police were investigating whether the shooting was a homicide or unintentional death. Police said a 9mm handgun was used in the shooting. Jowers was arrested and charged with murder. According to press reports, the arrest warrant stated, "Jowers engaged in conduct that manifested an extreme indifference to human life and recklessly discharged a 9mm firearm causing the death of Wright."

Sources: "Slain Fairhope HS graduate was killed with a 9mm firearm, court documents reveal," www.al.com, June 13, 2017; "Demopolis chief: Shooter in Fairhope teen's death tells police it was an accident," www.fox10tv.com, June 12, 2017.

Alabama

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Ryan Clark Petersen

CONVICTED

Date: August 9, 2012

People Killed: 3

Circumstances: On August 9, 2012, concealed handgun permit holder Ryan Clark Petersen allegedly shot and killed Cameron Eubanks, 20, Tiffany Grissett, 31, and Thomas Robins, Jr., 39, at Teasers, a nightclub located 12 miles west of Dothan, Alabama. Surveillance videos showed Petersen going outside the club after becoming involved in an altercation with employees and others inside. He is alleged to have retrieved his handgun from his vehicle and, upon his return to the club, pulled the Glock pistol from his coat pocket and fired. According to the prosecution, Petersen lied about his mental and drug issues in order to join the Navy and obtain a pistol permit. Petersen is charged with capital murder.

UPDATE: In December 2016, Ryan Clark Petersen was found guilty of four counts of capital murder in the 2012 shooting at Teasers Nightclub. In January 2017, a jury recommended Petersen be put to death, voting 10-2 for the death penalty following two hours of deliberation.

Sources: *Petersen v. State*, 2019, Ala. Crim. App. LEXIS 5; "Jury recommends death penalty in Wicksburg nightclub murders," *Dothan Eagle*, January 5, 2017; "Petersen guilty of capital murder in 2012 Teasers killings," *Dothan Eagle*, December 22, 2016; "Valeska shows jury crime scene photos in capital murder trial," *www.wtv.com*, December 7, 2016.

Alabama

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Tykee Smith

PENDING

Date: August 2, 2014

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On August 2, 2014, concealed handgun permit holder Tykee Smith, 19, allegedly shot and killed Charles David Thomas, 20, following an argument. Thomas had reportedly been in an argument with Smith's mother, with whom Thomas had fathered two children. According to police, Thomas and Smith got into an argument outside a residence and after the argument escalated the two exchanged gunfire. Thomas was struck and died at the scene. Smith was questioned by detectives and released after claiming self defense in the shooting, but a warrant was later issued for his arrest. Smith turned himself in and was released a short time later on a \$2,500 bond. Smith has been charged with murder.

Source: "19-year-old killed the 20-year-old father of his 2 half-siblings in self-defense, attorney says," *al.com*, August 6, 2014.

Alabama

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Adrian Laroze Briskey

CONVICTED

Date: November 30, 2013

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On November 30, 2013, concealed handgun permit holder Adrian Laroze Briskey, 31, shot and killed Michelle Shepherd, 36, following an argument at a 2013 “Iron Bowl” party. Briskey and Shepherd were at a party to watch the football game between Alabama and Auburn, and began arguing after the game ended. Shepherd and her sister were joking around about the Miami Heat, and Briskey became angry that they were not more upset over Alabama’s loss to Auburn in the football game. Briskey then went to her car and got her gun as Shepherd and her sister were going to their car. Briskey shot Shepherd three or four times, killing her. Briskey was charged with murder and later pleaded guilty to reckless manslaughter. She was sentenced to 14 years and nine months in prison.

Source: “Fairfield woman sentenced for 2013 Iron Bowl party shooting death,” *al.com*, July 26, 2016.

Alabama

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Tracey Grissom

CONVICTED

Date: May 15, 2012

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On May 15, 2012, concealed handgun permit holder Tracey Grissom, 30, allegedly shot and killed her ex-husband Hunter Daniel Grissom, 28, as he stood next to his vehicle at the Binion Creek boat landing. Tracey Grissom told investigators that she pulled into the parking lot to take a picture for use in a pending lawsuit and her ex-husband saw her sitting in her car. According to Tracey “he gave her a mean look and an obscene gesture.” She told investigators that she exited her vehicle and “shot him until the gun was empty.” Deputies found Hunter Grissom lying face down next to his vehicle. According to the Tuscaloosa County Sheriff, there has been previous domestic violence cases involving the couple. Grissom was arrested and charged with murder.

UPDATE: On August 7, 2014, Tracey Grissom was found guilty of murder in the death of her ex-husband. On September 2, 2014, Grissom was sentenced to 25 years in prison.

Source: “Tracey Grissom sentenced to 25 years in prison for killing her ex-husband,” *myfoxal.com*, September 2, 2014; “Tracey Grissom convicted of murdering allegedly abusive ex-husband; prosecutors said she wanted \$103,000 in insurance,” *al.com*, August 7, 2014; “Updated: Woman charged with murder in ex-husband’s shooting death at Lake Tuscaloosa boat landing,” *al.com*, May 15, 2012.

Alabama

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Dontavious Stepford Macon

PENDING

Date: December 15, 2011

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On December 15, 2011, concealed handgun permit holder Dontavious Stepford Macon allegedly shot and killed Jade Morgan, following a dispute over stolen Christmas presents. According to Macon, prior to the shooting, the apartment where he, his fiancée, and five children lived had been “cleaned out,” with even the Christmas presents stolen. Macon’s cousin told Macon that he had bought some of the presents back from Morgan, his sister’s boyfriend. Macon went to his sister’s apartment to prove Morgan had taken them. Macon claims that when he arrived, Morgan and a friend were outside drinking and that Morgan fired at him and his family. Macon fired back, killing Morgan. Macon claims he fired in self defense. Macon had initially agreed to plead guilty to manslaughter, believing he would get community corrections or probation, but when he learned he would go to prison for up to two to five years, he changed his plea to not guilty. The case is slated to go to trial on January 28, 2019.

Source: “Macon rejects manslaughter plea, opts for trial,” *waltonsun.com*, October 6, 2018.

Alabama

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Bart Johnson

CONVICTED

Date: December 3, 2009

People Killed: 1

Law Enforcement Officers Killed: 1

Circumstances: On December 3, 2009, Bart Johnson shot and killed Pelham, Alabama, police officer Philip Davis during a routine traffic stop. Officer Davis had stopped Johnson for speeding. According to videotape from the officer's patrol car, Davis and Johnson spoke briefly, and Davis then went to write Johnson a ticket. Upon his return, Johnson told Davis that his brother was a police officer. Officer Davis replied, "Why didn't you tell me that before? Let me have his name and number so I can tell him what happened." Then, "unprovoked and without a word, Johnson fired one shot, striking Davis in the face." Johnson fled the scene, abandoned his Acura, and attempted to break into another vehicle. When he was noticed by someone, Johnson displayed his gun and waved the person away. He was later picked up by his brother and surrendered to authorities. A local pharmacist, Johnson obtained a concealed weapons permit in 2007 and renewed it in 2008 and 2009. He is charged with capital murder.

UPDATE: On May 12, 2011, Bart Johnson was found guilty of capital murder in the death of Officer Davis. He was convicted on two counts, one for the murder of an off-duty police officer and one for causing death by shooting into an occupied vehicle. On June 16, 2011, Johnson was sentenced to death by lethal injection.

Source: "Bart Johnson sentenced to death," *shelbycountyreporter.com*, June 16, 2011; "Bart Johnson guilty, jury recommends death," *www.myfoxal.com*, May 12, 2011; "Pharmacist charged in officer's killing had permit for weapon," *The Birmingham News*, December 8, 2009; "Pelham police officer's slaying baffles investigators," *The Birmingham News*, December 5, 2009.

Alabama

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Laquintta Turk

CONVICTED

Date: July 23, 2009

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On July 23, 2009, concealed handgun permit holder Laquintta Turk, 23, shot and killed Rosetia Smith, 24, in a parking lot. The shooting occurred during a confrontation involving two other women—Tiffany Allen and Lashan Catlin, both 23—over the fact that Allen’s sister had had a baby with Catlin’s ex-high school boyfriend. Turk, Catlin, and two other women were waiting in a car in a parking lot to confront Allen in a pre-arranged meeting. Allen eventually arrived in a car driven by Smith containing Smith’s three children (all under age six) and her boyfriend Cameron Marshall. Smith then “profanely told the women to get out of their car” according to testimony. Lashan Catlin then got out of Turk’s car and slapped Smith through her car window. Marshall testified that he then saw Laquintta Turk’s gun go off and that he tried to drive away, steering from the passenger seat. Turk’s shot struck and killed Rosetia Smith, with the bullet that killed her landing at the foot of her oldest child. Turk testified that she fired only after seeing Marshall reach under his seat, although no gun was found in the car. During the trial, Prosecutor Mike Philpott told jurors, “This is a case about a woman who brought a gun to a fist fight, and the tragedy that resulted.” Laquintta Turk was convicted of reckless murder and faces up to life in prison.

Source: “Laquintta Turk guilty of reckless murder of Rosetia Smith,” *al.com*, August 12, 2010.

Alabama

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Michael McLendon

SUICIDE

Date: March 10, 2009

People Killed: 11 (including shooter)

Circumstances: On March 10, 2009, Michael McLendon, a self-proclaimed survivalist, killed his mother at their family home, beginning a shooting rampage that stretched across 24 miles. By the time McLendon took his own life in the midst of a police shootout at a factory where he had previously worked, he had shot four more relatives, including his 74-year-old grandmother, and five strangers, including the wife and 18-month-old daughter of a local sheriff's deputy. McLendon had a concealed handgun permit for two handguns. Police later found at the home he shared with his mother numerous how-to DVDs on committing acts of violence.

Source: "Officials: Alabama shooter depressed over failures," *Associated Press* at philstar.com, March 13, 2009.

Alabama

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Kathy Lowe

CONVICTED

Date: November 11, 2008

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On November 11, 2008, concealed handgun permit holder Kathy Lowe shot and killed her husband, David Lowe, in the backyard of the couple's home. Lowe claimed the shooting was in self-defense. Lowe told investigators that her husband, a retired District Attorney Sheriff's investigator, was ill and not expected to live beyond a year and that his temper had worsened as his health deteriorated. During an interrogation the night of the shooting, Lowe told investigators that when her husband had complained of feeling ill that night she had joked, "Are you wanting me to shoot you, David?" Her husband then picked up one of the 20 guns the couple kept in their home and followed her around the house, threatening to kill her, and not allowing her to leave. According to Lowe, her husband was a "hunter and collector" who "always made sure a gun was in reach in every room of the house." Kathy Lowe then got a gun of her own and eventually went out to the couple's backyard. David Lowe followed her outside and according to Kathy Lowe started yelling and prepared to shoot her. She shot him once in the arm and then "blindly" shot him twice more, killing him. During the trial, prosecutors argued that Lowe had planned to kill her husband. In support, they cited: discrepancies in her version of events as told to law enforcement; evidence of a boyfriend; three life insurance policies on David Lowe, one taken out a month before his death; her recent procurement of the concealed handgun permit; the recent signing by David Lowe of a long-drafted do-not resuscitate order; and, the fact that she had made phone calls the night of the killing, but never called 911. In August 2010, a mistrial was declared in Lowe's trial. A new date is being set for her retrial.

UPDATE: In March 2012, Kathy Lowe pled guilty to manslaughter and was sentenced to three years of probation in the shooting of her husband David Lowe.

Source: "Kathy Lowe pleads guilty to manslaughter, receives probation in shooting death of husband," *al.com*, March 19, 2012; "Mistrial declared in Kathy Lowe trial," *The Sand Mountain Reporter*, August 3, 2010; "Lowe relives moment the gun went off," *The Sand Mountain Reporter*, August 3, 2010; "Marshall County Jury Deliberates Murder Case," *whnt.com*, August 2, 2010; "Prosecutor: Insurance, lover led to death," *The Sand Mountain Reporter*, July 29, 2010; "Marshall County Woman Faces Jury for Killing Husband," *whnt.com*, July 28, 2010.

Alabama

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Jeffery Tyrone Riggs

CONVICTED

Date: January 10, 2008

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On January 10, 2008, concealed handgun permit holder Jeffery Tyrone Riggs, allegedly shot and killed his estranged girlfriend Norber Payne, 40, after she had ended their seven-year relationship. Riggs' attorney claims that Riggs acted in self defense, that he did not intend to kill Payne but shot her when he saw the black handle of a knife or fork in her hand in a dark hallway. The prosecution said that Riggs kicked in Payne's door, ran down the hall and "assassinated" her in her bed by shooting her four times with a 50 caliber Desert Eagle pistol before running away. After the shooting, Riggs called sheriff's dispatchers saying, "This is Jeffery Riggs. I just shot my baby mama. You can come and get me." Riggs had renewed his concealed carry permit annually for 15 years. In 2010 Riggs was convicted of capital murder and sentenced to death. In May 2013, the Alabama Court of Criminal Appeals overturned Riggs' death sentence and conviction because the trial judge did not accurately charge the jury, causing Riggs to be convicted of capital murder rather than manslaughter. Riggs' new trial on capital murder charges began in January 2015.

UPDATE: On February 4, 2015, Jeffery Tyrone Riggs was found guilty of capital murder in the death of Norber Payne. On April 20, 2015, Riggs was sentenced to life in prison without the possibility of parole.

Source: "Man won't return to Alabama death row for killing his estranged girlfriend, who was also his cousin," *al.com*, April 20, 2015; "Re-trial underway for Alabama Death Row inmate convicted of shooting woman 4 times," *al.com*, January 28, 2015.

Alabama

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Joshua Noel Jones

CONVICTED

Date: January 8, 2008

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On January 8, 2008, concealed handgun permit holder Joshua Noel Jones, 22, shot and killed 15-year-old Daniel Wayne “Danny” McKinnon. According to news reports, the two were traveling in a Chevrolet Z71 pick-up truck with two other friends—Alicia Algier, 23, and Justin Whiddon—after having visited a Wal-Mart and getting breakfast at a Waffle House restaurant. According to news reports, the three males were apparently “dry-firing” (pulling a gun’s trigger presumably without a bullet in the chamber) handguns at one another in the truck when Jones shot McKinnon with his 40 caliber handgun. When Algier was asked why she didn’t do anything to stop the males from dry-firing their guns, she stated, “It concerned me. They’re guys, I been told they do it all the time, dry firing their guns.” Whiddon also dry-fired a .22 handgun—owned by Algier—at Jones. In court, Algier stated, “I keep it for safety because I’m a woman.” Police retrieved three handguns and four rifles from the truck after the shooting. After allegedly shooting McKinnon, Jones did not give police an official statement, instead asking for an attorney. According to police he did, however, state that the handgun went off accidentally. Jones was charged with manslaughter and was convicted and sentenced to 12 years in prison.

Source: “Judge finds probably cause for manslaughter case in teen shooting,” *The Dothan Eagle*, February 2, 2008; “Top 10 of 2008: #10: Gun accidents claim lives of two Wiregrass teens,” *The Dothan Eagle*, December 21, 2008.

Arizona

■ Concealed Handgun Permit Holder: Ryan Schlesinger

CONVICTED

Date: November 29, 2018

People Killed: 1

Law Enforcement Officers Killed: 1

Circumstances: On November 29, 2018, concealed carry permit holder Ryan Schlesinger, 26, shot and killed Deputy U.S. Marshal Chase White with a multi-caliber rifle outside a house in Tucson, Arizona. White and other officers were serving an arrest warrant issued against Schlesinger for stalking a law enforcement officer. Schlesinger opened fired as the officers forced their way into the home, hitting White, who later died after being taken to Banner-University Medical Center. The other officers fired back, resulting in a standoff that lasted for approximately an hour. Schlesinger, wearing a ballistic vest and helmet, eventually surrendered to police. According to a federal complaint, Schlesinger had threatened to kill officers that were serving an emergency mental-health petition at his residence in August 2017. During the 2017 incident, Schlesinger was shocked by a stun gun and taken into custody. Officers also confiscated his Glock pistol and ammunition. In the following months Schlesinger sent emails to the Tucson police demanding the gun be returned. Although active injunctions prohibited Schlesinger from possessing firearms, he was still able to purchase a gun because he possessed a valid concealed weapons permit. The Arizona Department of Public Safety (DPS) confirmed that they are not notified when a protection order is issued and under Arizona Statute it is the responsibly of the individual to turn over a CCW permit to DPS if an injunction is made against them. It is unclear how Schlesinger obtained the gun used to kill White. Schlesinger was indicted by a grand jury on 13 counts related to the shooting. The charges were one count of first-degree murder of a federal officer, three counts of attempted murder of a federal officer, four counts of assault on a federal officer with a deadly weapon, and five counts of discharging a weapon while committing a crime.

UPDATE: In November 2023, Ryan Schlesinger was convicted of second degree murder of a federal officer, three counts of attempted murder of a federal officer, four counts of assault of a federal officer, and five counts of discharging a firearm during the commission of a violent offense. In January 2024, Schlesinger was sentenced to life in prison for second degree murder, plus consecutive sentences of 20 years for attempted murder and 50 years for discharging a firearm during the commission of a violent offense.

Sources: "Man sentenced to life in prison for killing deputy U.S. marshal during 2018 ambush," *Tucson Sentinel*, January 23, 2024; "Tucson man indicted on multiple charges in killing of deputy marshal," *Tucson.com*, December 29, 2018; "Man accused of killing deputy U.S. marshal points out gun loophole," *kvoa.com*, December 5, 2018.

Arizona

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Michael Voden

CONVICTED

Date: November 9, 2013

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On November 9, 2013, concealed handgun permit holder Michael Voden, 72, shot and killed his neighbor Randy Burnett following a dispute over a dog. According to news reports, Burnett entered Voden's yard to retrieve his dog Scooter who was running around Voden's yard and barking. Voden called 911 after hearing the dog, but despite the 911 dispatcher urging him to stay in his house, Voden went outside to confront Burnett. According to the 911 call, Voden was heard saying, "Get this, get this [expletive] dog out of my yard right now." Voden shot Burnett four times in the chest and back during the confrontation. Burnett's wife testified that her husband was not threatening Burnett and had his hands up in the air when Voden shot him. Voden claimed Burnett was walking toward him as though he intended to overpower him and take his Glock pistol. On May 29, 2015, Voden was found guilty of manslaughter and faces a sentence of seven to 21 years in prison.

Source: "Voden convicted of manslaughter," *Payson Roundup*, May 29, 2015; "Voden Murder Trial Court Date Det," *Payson Roundup*, September 2, 2014; "Payson man Michael Alan Voden accused of killing neighbor over dispute about dog," *abc15.com*, November 20, 2013.

Arizona

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Thomas Bodine

PENDING

Date: June 15, 2012

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On June 15, 2012, concealed handgun permit holder Thomas Bodine, 67, allegedly shot and killed his 64-year-old wife as she was sleeping. Bodine told police that he arrived at his home to find his wife dead with a pillow over her face and a gun in her hand. Yet, the police investigation quickly found numerous inconsistencies in his story, including the fact that wife had no blood on her hands which would indicate she was not shot at close range, ruling out suicide. Bodine, who was diagnosed with clinical depression approximately two years earlier, was arrested on suspicion of first degree murder.

Source: "Glendale man accused in wife's shooting death," *Tucson Citizen*, June 19, 2012.

Arizona

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Candice Lynne Wright

CONVICTED

Date: September 2, 2007

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On September 2, 2007, concealed handgun permit holder Candice Lynne Wright shot and killed her 73-year-old husband with a Kel-Tec .32 handgun. Wright frequently carried a .32 handgun at her side and she had fired a handgun during an incident outside her home a few weeks before the murder. Wright claimed that she left her husband to go the grocery store to obtain more steak for their dinner and was at the store for 35 to 45 minutes before returning home to find him dead, when she called 911. Video from the grocery store showed that Wright was only in the store for three minutes. Trial testimony revealed that Wright's relationship with her husband was marked by conflict, "stemming at least in part from Wright's chronic alcoholism." Wright's husband's daughter testified that Wright threw a drink in the victim's face on Father's Day. Wright was found guilty of second degree murder and sentenced to 18 years in prison. In July 2011, an appeals court upheld the conviction.

Source: *State of Arizona v. Candice Lynne Wright*, Court of Appeals of Arizona, Division One, Department B, July 7, 2011.

Arkansas

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Marvin Arrell Stanton

CONVICTED

Date: September 25, 2015

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On September 25, 2015, concealed handgun permit holder Marvin Arrell Stanton, 49, shot and killed Jessie James Hamilton at a Raceway gas station in Texarkana, Arkansas. The shooting took place after a 25-second physical confrontation in the gas pump area of the business. According to the prosecution, the confrontation took place over a parking space after Stanton told Hamilton to “move [his] f–ing truck.” According to Detective Jason Haak, Stanton started the physical confrontation by pushing Hamilton. After Hamilton gained the upper hand in the fight, he was pulled off Stanton by a female bystander. Immediately after, Stanton fired at Hamilton from a distance of approximately three feet. According to law enforcement, Stanton attempted to render medical aid to Hamilton before the police arrived by applying pressure to his wounds. When police arrived, Stanton’s 45 caliber pistol was still holstered to his belt and he had two magazines with 26 rounds of ammunition. Stanton had a permit to carry a concealed weapon and was certified to teach concealed carry classes. Stanton was found guilty of murder and was sentenced to life in prison plus 15 years.

Source: “Texarkana man found guilty of murder in parking lot shooting,” *KSLA.com*, May 4, 2016; “Trial underway for Texarkana man accused of killing over parking space,” *TXKtoday*, May 2, 2016.

Arkansas

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Chris Schnarr

CONVICTED

Date: May 2013

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: In May 2013, concealed handgun permit holder Chris Schnarr, 34, shot and killed Arista Lee “A.J.” Aldridge, Jr., 45, during a road rage confrontation after their vehicles nearly collided at an intersection. The two men exchanged profanities, but kept driving until Aldridge cut Schnarr off and got out of his vehicle to confront Schnarr. Schnarr testified he pulled out his gun when Aldridge leaned on his car and opened fire when Aldridge stepped toward him a second time. Aldridge was hit twice: once in the shoulder, and a fatal shot in the abdomen, where the bullet severed his aorta. Prosecutors cited the testimony of a bus driver who witnessed the shooting and said that Schnarr opened fire while Aldridge was facing away from him. While acknowledging that Aldridge was the initial aggressor, they said that Schnarr extended the confrontation and had plenty of time and opportunity to get away without shooting. Schnarr was initially charged with first degree murder and his first trial ended with a hung jury in September 2014. In September 2015 the jury in his second trial rejected the murder charge and he was convicted of manslaughter and sentenced to 10 years in prison. The Arkansas Supreme Court granted him a third trial in 2017 after finding that his constitutional right to a public trial was violated because his family was not allowed into the courtroom while jurors were being selected. In his third trial he was again convicted of manslaughter in November 2017. The Arkansas Supreme Court overturned that verdict, ruling that Schnarr was wrongly prevented from arguing that he acted in self-defense. In May 2019 Schnarr pleaded no contest to manslaughter, avoiding a fourth trial. He was sentenced to seven months in prison to be followed by a 30-month suspended sentence.

Sources: “Plea averts 4th trial in LR killing,” *arkansasonline.com*, May 25, 2019.

Arkansas

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Edgar Wilson

CONVICTED

Date: September 14, 2012

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On September 14, 2012, concealed handgun permit holder Edgar Wilson shot and killed Dale Levon Metcalf outside the Happy Times Liquor store which Wilson owned. On the night of the shooting, Wilson and Brenda Dolphin were working at the liquor store when Metcalf came onto the store's premises. According to Wilson, there had been prior incidents where Metcalf cursed at Wilson or threatened his employees. Wilson took Dolphin outside the store to point Metcalf out to her. Metcalf and Wilson got into a verbal argument and Wilson pulled a .25 pistol from his pocket and shot Metcalf in the head. Metcalf died at the scene. Wilson claimed he acted in self defense. Wilson was found guilty of second degree murder and was sentenced to 15 years in prison.

Source: *Travelers Home & Marine Ins. Co. v. Wilson*, 208 F. Supp. 3d 1002.

Arkansas

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Solomon Davis

PENDING

Date: September 15, 2010

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On September 15, 2010, concealed handgun permit holder Solomon Davis allegedly shot and killed Timothy Lemont Prackett at the Steeple chase Apartments in West Memphis. According to news reports, witnesses said that Prackett was in an argument with several people over parking spaces. After the shooting, Prackett ran and then collapsed.

Source: "Man shot over parking space, suspect in custody," *wmctv.com*, September 16, 2010.

Arkansas

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Vincent Williams

PENDING

Date: February 21, 2010

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On February 21, 2010, 30-year-old Lashawn Davis was allegedly shot and killed by Vincent Williams, 31, outside an E-Z Mart convenience store in Jefferson County. Several witnesses told police that the two men had shot one another. According to a police report, Davis was found slumped in the driver's seat of a 1999 gold Mercury Grand Marquis with his feet hanging out of the car and his body facing south. A .45 handgun was found nearby. Police found Williams on the south side of the store, bleeding, with a 9mm handgun nearby. Both men were transported to a local hospital where Davis was pronounced dead and Williams was taken into surgery. Williams reportedly told police that Davis had tried to steal his car. Williams had a concealed handgun permit.

Source: "PB Police Investigate 5th Slaying;" *Pine Bluff Commercial*, February 23, 2010.

Arkansas

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** William Phillips

CONVICTED

Date: November 1, 2009

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On November 1, 2009, concealed handgun permit holder William Phillips, 63, allegedly shot and killed 62-year-old auto dealer John Robert Baugh Jr. Phillips surrendered to Little Rock police approximately 10 minutes after Baugh's body was found in his crashed red Ford Crown Victoria. Phillips and Baugh, a father of two, reportedly knew each other from auto auctions Baugh conducted. Phillips told police that he had stopped to urinate by the side of the road when Baugh pulled up in his car, threatened to "knock his head off," and then attacked him with a weapon. Police became suspicious of Phillips' story when his description of the alleged weapon used by Baugh was inconsistent and the weapon itself was never found. Their suspicions increased when, despite the fact that Phillips claimed that the shooting occurred outside the vehicle, a bullet was found inside the car. Phillips son, Billy, testified that there had been a prior confrontation between the two men. Billy stated that his father told him that if there were any further conflict he would "take care" of the situation himself. Phillips was charged with first-degree murder and released on \$25,000 bond.

UPDATE: On September 28, 2011, a court upheld William Phillips' conviction of second degree murder and sentence to 20 years in prison plus an additional eight years for the use of a firearm.

Source: *Phillips v. State of Arkansas*, No. CACR11-270, (Ark. Ct. App., Sep. 28, 2011); "Murder suspect's bond restored 'Stay away' from witnesses and slain man's family, judge warns," *Arkansas Democrat-Gazette*, July 2, 2010.

California

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Craig Sumer Elliot

PENDING

Date: September 28, 2023

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On September 28, 2023, concealed carry permit holder Craig Sumer Elliot, 68, allegedly shot and killed Antonio Garcia Avalos, 40, after an altercation on a sidewalk. According to prosecutors, Elliot was jogging with his two dogs while pushing a pushcart at around 3:00 PM when he encountered Avalos, who was sleeping on the ground. Elliot bumped Avalos with his cart in an attempt to wake him up, after which Avalos woke up and yelled for Elliot to stay away from him. Video taken by Elliot showed that Avalos stood up and threw a shoe at Elliot. Elliot ducked to avoid the shoe, retrieved a handgun from his pushcart, and allegedly shot Avalos three times, resulting in fatal injuries. Elliot was charged with voluntary manslaughter with a felony enhancement for personal use of a firearm and faces up to 21 years in prison if convicted.

Sources: "Garden Grove man charged in deadly shooting of homeless man who threw shoe at him," *nbclosangeles.com*, November 21, 2023; "Garden Grove man charged with voluntary manslaughter for shooting, killing homeless man who was blocking sidewalk while sleeping," Office of the District Attorney, Orange County, California, November 20, 2023.

California

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** John Snowling

SHOT AND KILLED DURING INCIDENT

Date: August 23, 2023

People Killed: 4 (including shooter)

Circumstances: On August 23, 2023, concealed carry permit holder John Snowling, 59, shot and killed three people and wounded six others at Cook's Corner Bar in Trabuco Canyon. Snowling had been a member of the Ventura Police Department from July 1986 to February 2014 when he retired as a sergeant. The incident took place at around 7:00 PM during an evening of live music and an \$8 Spaghetti Night special at the bar. According to law enforcement, Snowling targeted his estranged wife, who was injured in the shooting. Betty Fruichantie, a friend of Snowling's estranged wife, accompanied her to the bar that evening. She said, "We were sitting there listening to the band and all of sudden, from behind us, we hear shooting. A bunch of shooting...I thought it was just firecrackers, she didn't say anything. People were getting shot." Fruichantie said Snowling made his way toward them and began shooting. According to police, Snowling entered the bar with two handguns. He then went back to his truck where he retrieved a third handgun and a shotgun, which he fired at law enforcement when they arrived before he was killed. All of Snowling's weapons were acquired legally.

Sources: "OC bar shooter who killed 3 identified as an ex-SoCal police officer," *nbclosangeles.com*, August 25, 2023; "Who's the retired Ventura sergeant tied to the O.C. bar shooting? Here's what we know," *vcstar.com*, August 24, 2023.

California

■ Concealed Handgun Permit Holder: Jeffrey Ferguson

PENDING

Date: August 3, 2023

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On August 3, 2023, concealed carry permit holder Jeffrey Ferguson, 72, allegedly shot and killed his wife Sheryl Ferguson, 65, following an argument in their home. According to prosecutors, the Fergusons had an argument about finances at a restaurant, where Jeffrey Ferguson made a gun gesture with his hands. After they returned home, they began watching *Breaking Bad* on television. The argument continued and Sheryl Ferguson said something to the effect of, “Why don’t you point a real gun at me?” Jeffrey Ferguson then pulled a pistol from his ankle holster and shot her in the chest. After the shooting, Jeffrey Ferguson, who is an Orange County Superior Court Judge, texted his court clerk and bailiff and said, “I just lost it. I just shot my wife. I won’t be in tomorrow. I will be in custody. I’m so sorry.” The Fergusons’ adult son reported the shooting to police and claimed that his father was drunk. When officers arrived at the scene, they reported that Jeffrey Ferguson was outside saying “shoot me, shoot me.” They claim that he smelled of alcohol and appeared in shock. According to one officer, Ferguson “spontaneously stated, and used the words ‘I just killed my wife.’” According to prosecutors, police recovered 47 weapons, including rifles, shotguns, and handguns, and more than 26,000 rounds of ammunition from Ferguson’s home. Ferguson was charged with felony murder with two felony enhancements for personal use of a firearm and discharge of a firearm causing great bodily injury and death. A preliminary hearing in June 2024 found there was sufficient evidence for the case to proceed, and Ferguson remained free on a \$1 million bond and is required to wear monitoring devices for GPS and alcohol content. On the renewal form for his permit to carry, Ferguson had stated, “I wish to renew my CCW (Concealed Carry Weapon permit) for self-protection and protection of my immediate family due to my current, ongoing and past service in Orange County.”

Sources: “Orange County judge can stand trial for murder in wife’s shooting death, judge says,” *Associated Press*, June 20, 2024; “Orange County judge accused of murdering wife wanted his concealed weapon permit to protect family,” *Orange County Register*, August 29, 2023; “O.C. judge confessed to coworkers after fatally shooting wife, prosecutors say,” *ktla.com*, August 11, 2023.

California

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Jeremy Don Fennell

CONVICTED

Date: March 15, 2019

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On March 15, 2019, concealed handgun permit holder Jeremy Don Fennell, 38, shot and killed Lawrence Walker, 25, following an argument in the parking area behind the Sin Cal Industries tattoo and body piercing shop. Walker and his wife Jessica Estrada, who were experiencing homelessness, were sitting on the curb behind the tattoo business when Fennell arrived at work. According to trial testimony, Fennell parked in the stall where Walker was seated, and got out of his vehicle with a gun wrapped in a sweatshirt and approached the couple. Estrada testified that Fennell was immediately aggressive and said, “You need to get your homeless s--- and get the f--- out of here.” Fennell testified that he informed the couple that they would be open for business soon and asked them to take their belongings and leave. He claimed that the couple began shouting profanities at him and that Walker “popped up” from the ground and came toward him. Fennell claimed he acted in self defense, firing once when Walker stepped off the curb. The Chief Deputy District Attorney said that Fennell had an unreasonable justification for shooting Walker based on stereotypes about homeless people with drug addictions. In statements to police and on social media posts before the shooting, Fennell called homeless people “druggie bush people” and said they carry diseases and are less than human. In one social media post he wrote, “If we can not kill them all like we can other pests then we must not feed the wild drug addicts.” In December 2020, Fennell was convicted of second degree murder and a gun enhancement. On May 18, 2021, Fennell was sentenced to 15 years to life for second degree murder and 25 years to life for the gun enhancement, for a total of 40 years to life in prison.

Source: “Modesto business owner was convicted of killing homeless man. Judge gave him 40 years,” *Modesto Bee*, May 19, 2021.

California

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Richard Vithya Tauch

CONVICTED

Date: January 19, 2010

People Killed: 2

Circumstances: On January 19, 2010, Richard Vithya Tauch allegedly shot and killed his ex-girlfriend Jenny Van Sor and her new boyfriend Wen Chao. The shooting occurred at the senior facility where Chao's father lived. Tauch had a permit to carry a firearm as a security guard. Tauch was booked for investigation of the double murder and held in lieu of \$1 million bail.

UPDATE: On November 19, 2013, Richard Vithya Tauch was found guilty of two counts of first degree murder in the deaths of Jenny Van Sor and Wenwa Chao. On June 19, 2014, Tauch was sentenced to life in prison without the possibility of parole.

Source: "Corona man sentenced to life in prison," *Los Angeles Times*, June 20, 2014; "Man accused of gunning down ex-girlfriend and companion in Monterey Park senior housing complex," *Los Angeles Times*, January 20, 2010..

California

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** James Thomas Boll

CONVICTED

Date: December 18, 2009

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On December 18, 2009, concealed handgun permit holder James Thomas Boll, 68, shot and killed Charles John Morrison, 48, his neighbor at the Mount Vista Mobile and RV Park. Boll fired at Morrison 15 times with a 45 caliber pistol, hitting him with 11 rounds. Aiming at his head and center of his body, Boll stopped to reload after firing his first eight shots, and continued shooting Morrison as he lay on the ground. Conflict between the two men had been building for months. Morrison had parked his trailer on a space formerly used by Boll, an “avid cat lover.” He soon found 30 to 40 cats frequently defecating around the trailer, having become accustomed to visiting it when Boll occupied the space. Morrison reportedly told Boll that he hated cats and would shoot them. Boll’s efforts to clean up around Morrison’s trailer led to an additional confrontation when Morrison accused Boll of spying on his girlfriend through a trailer window. The triggering event occurred when Morrison left his truck running in the space between the two men’s trailers. The exhaust set off Boll’s carbon monoxide detector, leading him to claim that Morrison “...almost got away with the perfect murder.” The shooting occurred when Boll left his trailer to confront Morrison over the idling truck. Boll was found guilty of second-degree murder and faces a possible 40 years to life in prison.

Source: “Man found guilty of murder in shooting,” *ChicoER.com*, September 7, 2011; “Man charged in shooting takes stand,” *ChicoER.com*, September 2, 2011.

California

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Thomas Crenshaw Smith

CONVICTED

Date: July 30, 2009

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On July 30, 2009, concealed handgun permit holder Thomas Crenshaw Smith, 68, shot and killed his son Joshua Smith, 26, following an argument in their home. According to Smith's wife Victoria, the father and son were "kind of putting each other down" and saying hurtful things to each other. At one point, Thomas Smith left the room, and Victoria and Joshua Smith heard a "pop." They went down the hall to investigate and noticed a hole in the ceiling. Thomas Smith was holding a gun to his head, telling Joshua to "pull the trigger." Joshua replied, "No, dad, I can't, I love you." After both men turned to walk away, Thomas Smith fired one shot, hitting Joshua in the right side of his chest, killing him. On July 22, 2010, Thomas Smith was found guilty of voluntary manslaughter. He was sentenced to nine years in prison. On February 6, 2012, Thomas Smith's conviction was affirmed on appeal.

Source: *The People v. Thomas Crenshaw Smith*, Court of Appeal of California, Fifth Appellate District, February 6, 2012; "Father convicted of voluntary manslaughter in death of son," *Bakersfield Californian*, July 22, 2010.

Colorado

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Mark Nielsen

CONVICTED

Date: July 28, 2020

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On July 28, 2020, concealed handgun permit holder Mark Nielsen, 56, allegedly shot and killed John Achterkirch, 64, following an argument at Achterkirch's home. That night, police received a call from Nielsen stating that he had been physically assaulted and had shot his attacker. When police arrived, Achterkirch was found lying on the floor with a gunshot wound to the face. He died a few hours later. Nielsen was placed into custody and taken to the hospital with lacerations to his forehead. Danyelle Shatto, Nielsen's fiancé and Achterkirch's niece, was also present at the scene. Shatto told investigators that Achterkirch blamed her and Nielsen for the arrest of Joleigha Johnson — who Achterkirch had recently moved into the home — on an outstanding warrant, and that as a result he would have to evict them from the house. Shatto and Nielsen claimed that Achterkirch had threatened to kill them and had attacked Nielsen, and that Nielsen had acted in self defense. Nielsen carried a gun at all times, even while in the house. On the night of the shooting, he was reportedly armed with a Ruger .380 pistol and Llama .45 pistol. As the investigation continued Nielsen's story changed over time. He claimed his poor recollection might be the result of alcohol intoxication and marijuana use that night. Nielsen was arrested on suspicion of second degree murder.

UPDATE: In March 2022, Mark Nielsen was found guilty of manslaughter in the death of John Achterkirch.

Source: "Mark Nielsen found guilty of manslaughter," *canoncitydailyrecord.com*, March 12, 2022; "Arrest affidavit: Dispute between roommates led to fatal shooting in Florence," *canoncitydailyrecord.com*, September 25, 2020.

Colorado

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Patrick Salazar-Bustamante

CONVICTED

Date: December 3, 2018

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On December 3, 2018, concealed handgun permit holder Patrick “Little Pat” Salazar-Bustamante, 23, allegedly shot and killed his father Patrick “Pat” Bustamante, 50, inside their home in Colorado Springs, Colorado. Salazar-Bustamante originally told investigators that he was not at home when his father was shot. However, he later revealed that he was showing his father how to ‘field strip’ his pistol but forgot to remove the loaded ammunition magazine. The gun fired, killing the older Bustamante. Salazar-Bustamante had a concealed handgun permit. He was arrested and charged with manslaughter.

UPDATE: In August 2019, Patrick Salazar-Bustamante was sentenced to three years in a community-based prison alternative after admitting he was careless when he fatally shot his father while demonstrating how to disassemble a gun.

Sources: “Colorado Springs man avoids prison in father’s deadly shooting,” *gazette.com*, August 14, 2019; “Family of father and son involved in deadly shooting say it was a ‘tragic accident,’” *fox21news.com*, December 8, 2018.

Colorado

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Jared Haley

SUICIDE

Date: April 30, 2016

People Killed: 2 (including shooter)

Circumstances: On April 30, 2016, concealed handgun permit holder Jared Haley shot and killed his ex-wife Jessie Powell Haley before turning the gun on himself. According to court records, the Haley's divorce had closed about a month before the murder-suicide. According to a police report, officers found a note listing pros and cons of the couple moving back in together in the room where their bodies were found. At least three children were present in the home at the time of the shooting. Relatives told police that Jared Haley had previously discussed suicide, had a bad temper, and had grabbed his gun during a prior argument, as well as commenting to a relative that, "If I take myself out, I won't be going alone." A neighbor told police that Jessie Haley was upset that Jared had recently obtained a concealed carry permit. Police records show at least five prior visits by police to the Haley's home.

Source: "String of domestic violence murder-suicides orphan children, stun communities," *thedenverchannel.com*, September 18, 2016.

Colorado

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Stefan Bloom

PENDING

Date: March 15, 2015

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On March 15, 2015, concealed handgun permit holder Stefan Bloom, 26, allegedly shot and killed David Edwards, 53. A police “shot spotter” detected three gunshots at approximately 10:45 PM. When police arrived on the scene they found Edwards, shot in the head, lying partially inside the driver’s-side door of Bloom’s Subaru. Bloom, who claimed he acted in self-defense, was arrested and charged with first-degree murder. No further details about the circumstances of the shooting have been released by police.

Source: “Concealed carrier arrested in deadly shooting,” *9news.com*, March 17, 2015.

Colorado

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Daniel Baker

CONVICTED

Date: April 17, 2012

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On April 17, 2012 concealed handgun permit holder Daniel Baker, 30, allegedly shot and killed Nicholas Carpenter, 21, and shot and injured Benjamin Williams, 33, and Joshua Fenderbosch, 29. According to news reports, Baker accompanied Fenderbosch's girlfriend to the home she shared with Fenderbosch. She told Baker that she and Fenderbosch had been fighting and that she was afraid she'd be assaulted if she went to the home alone. The girlfriend had told a friend that she brought Baker along for protection and that he had a gun, but that he should use it only to injure, not kill. The girlfriend paid Baker with drugs in advance for the protection. When they arrived, Carpenter, who also lived at the home, called Fenderbosch and told him that the two were talking about how she would "get back at him." Eventually, Fenderbosch and Williams arrived at the home. An argument ensued, and Baker claimed that Fenderbosch and his friends held him down and beat him. He then went into "fight mode to survive," drawing his gun and shooting the three men. But according to Fenderbosch and Williams, only Baker and Fenderbosch were fighting, Williams and Carpenter were not involved. They claim that Baker opened fire on the two unarmed men and that even after the fight between Fenderbosch and Baker had ended, Baker kept shooting. Williams recalled saying, "Dude, why are you shooting people?" Williams told police that Baker shot Carpenter a second time while he was on the ground, and then turned the gun on him, firing twice. Baker faces charges of first degree murder.

UPDATE: On July 24, 2013 Daniel Baker pleaded "no contest" to charges of criminally negligent homicide and misdemeanor drug possession in the death of Nicholas Carpenter. Baker was sentenced to a four-year deferred sentence on the homicide count and 435 days in jail for drug possession. In May 2013, Baker was acquitted on attempted murder charges for the wounding of Benjamin Williams and Joshua Fenderbosch. The jury hung on the first degree murder charge and Williams accepted the plea deal to avoid another trial and a potential life sentence.

Source: "Pueblo murder suspect who claimed self defense reaches plea agreement," *The Pueblo Chieftain*, July 24, 2013; "Judge To Decide Triple Shooting Suspect's Fate," *11news*, May 23, 2012; "One killed, two hurt in Pueblo shooting," *www.coloradoconnection.com*, April 18, 2012.

Colorado

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** David Lee Noriega

CONVICTED

Date: September 16, 2008

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On September 16, 2008, David Lee Noriega allegedly shot and killed Clay Frank Eldred at 11:00 PM outside a scrap yard where Noriega was employed as a security guard. Noriega said he fired five shots from his AR-15 assault pistol to warn Eldred—who he claimed charged him with a baseball bat—and another unidentified man. Detectives stated, however, that there were no signs Eldred had tried to enter the scrap yard. According to an affidavit, after the shooting Noriega reportedly made comments to a fellow security guard that they needed to move Eldred's body onto the scrap yard property and "make it look like the guy he shot had a weapon." The fellow security guard eventually pled guilty to a misdemeanor count of prohibited use of a firearm. Felony charges of accessory to reckless manslaughter and tampering with physical evidence were dismissed as part of a plea agreement. The night of the shooting Noriega was also armed with a 454 caliber handgun and had loaned his fellow security guard a 40 caliber handgun. Noriega, who had a concealed handgun permit, was charged with reckless manslaughter and tampering with physical evidence. On December 31, 2009, Noriega pleaded guilty to criminally negligent homicide.

Source: "Scrapyard security guard pleads guilty in fatal Colo. shooting," *amm.com*, January 4, 2010; "Police arrest second guard as accessory: The man is held on suspicion of tampering with physical evidence in a fatal shooting at a scrap yard," *The Pueblo Chieftain*, September 20, 2008; "Security guard pleads guilty to misdemeanor," *The Pueblo Chieftain*, February 27, 2009.

Connecticut

■ **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Richard Dabate

CONVICTED

Date: December 23, 2015

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On December 23, 2015, concealed handgun permit holder Richard Dabate, 40, allegedly shot and killed his wife, Connie Dabate after their two children had left for school. Dabate initially told detectives that he had returned to his home after leaving for work when he realized he forgot his laptop. He said when he arrived home, he heard a noise and went upstairs to investigate and was confronted by a masked intruder. Dabate then said he heard his wife return home and yelled for her to run, but the intruder shot her twice before tying Dabate to a chair and burning him with a torch. Dabate stated that he turned the torch on the intruder, causing him to flee, and then called 911. Police found no signs of an intruder on the Dabates' property and records from Connie Dabate's Fitbit contradicted her husband's timeline. Dabate eventually told police he had been having an affair and had gotten another woman pregnant. Investigators found a Note in Connie's iPhone titled "why I want a divorce." Five days after his wife's murder, Dabate attempted to make a claim on her life insurance policy. Dabate was charged with murder, tampering with evidence, and providing a false statement. At his April 28, 2017 hearing, Dabate pleaded not guilty to the murder of his wife and is free on \$1 million bond.

UPDATE: In May 2022, Richard Dabate was found guilty of murder, tampering with evidence, and making a false statement to police in the death of Connie Dabate. In August 2022, Richard Dabate was sentenced to 65 years in prison.

Sources: "Richard Dabate gets 65 years in CT 'Fitbit murder' of his wife," *ctinsider.com*, August 18, 2022; "Fitbit murder case: Richard Dabate pleads not guilty in wife's death," *NBC News*, April 29, 2017; "Cops use murdered woman's Fitbit to charge her husband," *CNN*, April 25, 2017; "State police: Richard Dabate charged with 2015 murder of his wife," *Fox61*, April 14, 2017; State of Conn. Superior Court, Arrest Warrant Application, April 13, 2017.

Connecticut

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Guillermo Rodriguez

SUICIDE

Date: August 2, 2015

People Killed: 2 (including shooter)

Circumstances: On August 2, 2015, concealed handgun permit holder Guillermo Rodriguez, 43, shot and killed his girlfriend Ingrid Del Rio-Garcia with a 45 caliber handgun, 37, before using a 10mm handgun to kill himself. Officers investigated after family members reported having no contact with Del Rio-Garcia for about 24 hours. After entering the home shared by the couple, police found Rodriguez dead from an apparent gunshot wound to the head, and Del Rio-Garcia dead from multiple gunshot wounds to the chest and arm. According to police, the couple had been together for at least 10 years and there was no reported history of domestic violence between the couple.

Source: "East Haven Police: Shooter Threatened Girlfriend Before Murder-Suicide," *The Hartford Courant*, August 5, 2015; "Update: East Haven Police Provide Details of the Murder/Suicide on Foxon Boulevard," *patch.com*, August 5, 2015.

Connecticut

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** William Sapone

SUICIDE

Date: April 14, 2015

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On April 14, 2015, concealed handgun permit holder William Sapone, 61, died of a self-inflicted gunshot wound to the head. When Sapone failed to return as expected from a boating trip, his wife went to look for him. After she was unable to locate his car she alerted police. A search ensued, assisted by the U.S. Coast Guard. Police found Sapone's rowing scull on Cockenoe Island. Officers searched the island on foot and discovered his body a short distance away. The state's medical examiner ruled Sapone's death a suicide caused by a gunshot to his head.

Source: "Autopsy: Fairfield boater died from self-inflicted gunshot," *Connecticut Post*, April 15, 2015.

Connecticut

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Angela Grasso-Cunha

CONVICTED

Date: April 9, 2014

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On April 9, 2014, concealed handgun permit holder Angela Grasso-Cunha, 27, allegedly shot and killed Jose Mendez, 23. She had been dating Mendez for three weeks and said Mendez had threatened to kill her and her family. Grasso-Cunha told police that Mendez had accused her of flirting with his sister, cheating on him, and giving him an STD, and had threatened to kill her and her family if she didn't give him \$600. During a car ride in West Hartford, Connecticut, while Mendez was driving, Grasso-Cunha pulled out a Glock 9mm pistol from her handbag and fired a round into his head. After the shooting, the car crashed into a fence and Grasso-Cunha called 911. According to the judge in the case, a person claiming self-defense must have a reasonable expectation that deadly force is about to be used against them. According to police, Grasso-Cunha admitted that there was no immediate threat or danger posed to her, but she said when Mendez turned to look at the Wendy's restaurant where he had decided to eat, she saw this as her only opportunity to stop him from following through on his threats. Grasso-Cunha was charged with first-degree manslaughter with a firearm.

UPDATE: On February 10, 2016, Angela Grasso-Cunha was found guilty of first degree manslaughter in the death of Jose Mendez. She was sentenced to 25 years with a minimum of five to be served.

Sources: "Bail Bond Agent Charged With Manslaughter Sentenced to 25 Years," *nbconnecticut.com*, April 13, 2016; "Guilty: Plainville woman convicted of manslaughter," *New Britain Herald*, February 11, 2016; "Plainville woman charged with manslaughter," *The Bristol Press*, April 11, 2014; "Woman Claims Self-Defense In Fatal West Hartford Shooting," *Hartford Courant*, April 10, 2014.

Connecticut

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Alanna Carey

CONVICTED

Date: January 2, 2012

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On January 2, 2012, concealed carry permit holder Alanna Carey, 35, allegedly shot and killed her boyfriend Edward Landry, 44, at the Carrier Motor Lodge motel in Newington. Carey pleaded “not guilty” to a charge of murder and claimed that she shot Landry in self-defense when he threatened her with a knife.

UPDATE: On October 7, 2015, Alanna Carey was found guilty of murder in the death of Edward Landry. On January 6, 2016, Carey was sentenced to 50 years in prison.

Source: “Alanna Carey gets 50 years in murder of ex-boyfriend at Newington motel,” *Hartford Courant*, January 6, 2016; “Alanna Carey found guilty in Newington motel murder,” *Hartford Courant*, October 7, 2015; “Woman pleads not guilty to Connecticut town motel shooting,” *NorwichBulletin.com*, March 20, 2012.

Connecticut

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Omar Thornton

SUICIDE

Date: August 3, 2010

People Killed: 9

Circumstances: On August 3, 2010, concealed handgun permit holder Omar Thornton, 34, went on a shooting rampage at the beer distributorship where he worked, killing eight co-workers before taking his own life. The shooting began at a meeting where Thornton, a driver for the distributor, resigned after being shown video evidence of having stolen beer from the company. Then, according one witness in the meeting, “[H]e went out on this rampage. He was cool and calm. He didn’t yell. He was cold as ice. He didn’t protest when we were meeting with him to show him the video of him stealing....He just agreed to resign. And then he just unexplainably pulled out his gun and started blasting.” It was believed that Thornton had hidden the two handguns he used, including a Sturm, Ruger SR9 pistol, in his lunch box. According to his girlfriend’s mother, Thornton had planned to teach her daughter how to use a gun. Thornton had complained of racial harassment at the company but had not filed a complaint with the Connecticut Commission on Human Rights and Opportunities (the company denied the allegations). On his Facebook page Thornton listed Hoffman’s Gun Center & Indoor Range among his interests. According to documents obtained by the Violence Policy Center from the State of Connecticut, Thornton had a current Connecticut pistol permit that allowed him to carry concealed. The reason for the permit was “job.”

Source: “Man kills 8, self in Connecticut shooting rampage,” *Associated Press*, August 4, 2010; “Shooter: ‘Tell Everybody I Love Them and Goodbye,’” *Associated Press/NBC Connecticut*, August 4, 2010; Documents obtained by Violence Policy Center from State of Connecticut Department of Public Safety, September 24, 2010.

Delaware

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Dean Sutton Jr.

CONVICTED

Date: April 2, 2021

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On April 2, 2021, concealed carry permit holder Dean Sutton Jr., 34, shot and killed Larry Porter, 44, following a fight with Porter and Porter's son. During the fight, Sutton produced a gun, which caused Porter's son to flee. Sutton fired multiple rounds as the son ran away. Sutton then turned to Porter, who backed away, saying, "no." Sutton fired three times at Porter, fatally wounding him. Sutton claimed that he acted in self-defense. Prosecutors argued that Sutton lacked remorse and displayed excessive cruelty in killing Porter, noting that Sutton shot Porter a final time after his body was motionless and that he did not attempt to render aid to Porter as he was dying. Prosecutors also referenced social media posts that illustrated that Sutton believed his permit to carry a concealed firearm was a "license to kill." Sutton was convicted of manslaughter and reckless endangering 1st degree and was sentenced to 10 years in prison. Sutton was also involved in another fatal shooting in the killing of a man outside a bar in November 2020. Sutton also claimed that he acted in self-defense in that incident which is still under investigation.

Sources: "DOJ secures decade in prison for Delaware man in fatal shooting – State of Delaware News," news.delaware.gov, September 11, 2023; "Wilmington fight in 2020 that ended in fatal shooting lands man 10-year prison sentence," delawareonline.com, September 1, 2023.

Florida

■ **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Lloyd Preston Brewer

PENDING

Date: February 13, 2023

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On February 13, 2023, concealed handgun permit holder Lloyd Preston Brewer, 57, allegedly shot and killed Garrett Hughes, 21, outside a bar in Key West, Florida. According to news reports, Brewer was in the parking lot behind Conch Town Liquor & Bar when he noticed an allegedly drunk Hughes urinating on the side of a neighboring building. Brewer alleged that Hughes had “come at him” and claimed that he shot Hughes in self-defense. According to prosecutors, security footage of the incident does not back up that claim. Brewer has a criminal history which includes a 2021 domestic battery incident where he allegedly punched his girlfriend in the face and retrieved a gun from the kitchen pantry but did not fire it. Brewer was also arrested in Georgia in 2005 for possession of methamphetamine and possession of a gun by someone under a temporary restraining order. Brewer was charged with first degree murder, aggravated assault with a deadly weapon, and a violation of his concealed weapon permit for having a gun in a business where alcohol is served and consumed.

Sources: “Accused shooter Preston Brewer indicted on 3 felonies,” *keysweekly.com*, June 14, 2023.

Florida

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Charles Tyree Moore

CONVICTED

Date: May 23, 2022

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On May 23, 2022, concealed carry permit holder Charles Tyree Moore shot and killed Durrell Dupree Palmer, 35, following an argument at a convenience store. At approximately 7:30 AM Palmer stopped at a gas pump at the Circle K in Cantonment and initiated an argument with Moore. The argument was apparently regarding Palmer's wife and began on social media before the incident at the Circle K. Video of the incident showed approximately five minutes of "intense discussion" before Moore suddenly pulled a handgun from his waistband and shot Palmer four times at close range. Moore fled the scene in his vehicle before calling 911 to turn himself in. During the 911 call, Moore claimed that he had blacked out and didn't know what happened. At trial, Moore claimed that he acted in self-defense. In May 2024, Moore was convicted of second degree murder in the death of Durrell Dupree Palmer. On July 16, 2024, Moore was sentenced to 50 years in prison.

Sources: "Man gets 50 years in prison for 2022 Murder at Cantonment Gas Station," *northescambria.com*, July 17, 2024; "Man convicted of 2022 murder at Cantonment gas station," *northescambria.com*, May 21, 2024.

Florida

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Bryan Riley

PENDING

Date: September 5, 2021

People Killed: 4

Circumstances: On September 5, 2021, concealed handgun permit holder Bryan Riley, 33, allegedly shot and killed Justice Gleason, 40, an unidentified 64-year-old woman, an unidentified 33-year-old woman, and a three-month-old boy during a shooting rampage at a home in Lakeland, Florida. An 11-year-old girl was also wounded. Riley also allegedly shot the family's dog. Sheriff's deputies, Lakeland Police, SWAT, and other agencies responded to multiple 911 calls around 4:30 AM that morning about an active shooter. According to a police report "deputies came under attack" when they arrived on the scene. The Sheriff stated that 100 rounds were fired between Riley, who was wearing a bulletproof vest, and law enforcement. Riley was shot once, but no deputies were wounded. Gleason and the 33-year-old female were found inside the home, with the woman still holding the deceased infant. The 64-year-old woman, believed to be the baby's grandmother, was found in a separate home behind the first house. The 11-year-old who was wounded said that she survived by playing dead and praying. The Sheriff said the crime scene was one of the worst he had ever seen and described Riley as "evil in the flesh." After the shooting, Riley claimed he was on meth and a survivalist. Riley's family said that he was an honorably discharged Marine sharpshooter who served in Afghanistan and Iraq and suffered from PTSD. Riley's girlfriend said that he had been acting erratically over the past week after returning from his job as a security guard at an Orlando church, claiming that he could talk directly with God. Riley was charged with four counts of first degree murder, one count of attempted first degree murder, and seven counts of attempted first degree murder on a law enforcement officer.

UPDATE: In January 2022, the defense attorney for Bryan Riley was given a 90 day extension to file a notice of intent to claim insanity in Riley's trial on multiple counts of murder. In April 2022, Riley's attorney filed the intent to rely on a defense of insanity.

Source: "Lakeland family massacre suspect may use insanity defense, court filing shows," *wfla.com*, April 20, 2022; "North Lakeland quadruple homicide: Bryan Riley's defense gets extension to file intent to claim insanity," *theledger.com*, January 11, 2022; "Sheriff: Chilling confession in Lakeland shooting rampage," *baynews9.com*, September 8, 2021; "Polk Sheriff: 'Shooting rampage' in Lakeland left 4 dead, including a baby," *baynews9.com*, September 5, 2021.

Florida

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Corey Weedon

PENDING

Date: August 1, 2020

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On August 1, 2020, concealed handgun permit holder Corey Weedon, 27, allegedly shot and killed an unidentified 27-year-old man while practicing “defensive scenarios.” Weedon and two other men had returned to a home from a local shooting range and were cleaning their guns when they began practicing “defensive scenarios,” according to the police report. Weedon told police they had emptied their guns to clean them, but “for unknown reasons he loaded the gun.” Weedon pointed the gun in the direction of the 27-year-old victim and allegedly pulled the trigger, shooting the victim in the chest. Weedon claimed he did not mean to shoot the person, saying he’d only owned his gun for about a month. Weedon took a six-hour training course and obtained a concealed weapon permit in July 2020. He told police he had smoked marijuana before the shooting. Witnesses told police they had not seen or heard the two men argue prior to the shooting. Weedon was charged with manslaughter.

Source: “St. Pete man shoot, kills man while ‘playing defensive scenarios,’ Pasco deputies say,” *tampabay.com*, August 5, 2020.

Florida

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Yvonne Serrano

PENDING

Date: November 23, 2019

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On November 23, 2019, concealed handgun permit holder Yvonne Serrano, 51, allegedly shot and killed Daniela Tabares Maya, 21, outside her home in Coral Springs. According to an affidavit, Serrano and Maya were part of a group of acquaintances that went to see a movie before going to the World of Beer pub. Serrano and Maya were seen “conversing, laughing and drinking for several hours,” according to the court document. The pair were filmed by surveillance cameras leaving the pub together and additional footage showed them arriving at Serrano’s driveway around 2am. At 5:55am Serrano called police to say there was a dead woman in front of her home. Serrano initially told officers that she did not know Maya before admitting that she did. Police discovered Maya lying on her back with one foot hanging in the open door of her Nissan Kicks SUV with a gunshot wound through her forehead. Serrano initially told police that she had “blacked out” at World of Beer and had no idea how she got home when she woke up in her bed. She later told detectives that she woke up in the passenger seat of Maya’s car. Serrano has a concealed carry permit and owns three handguns, including a Sig Sauer P365 9mm pistol which she told police she took with her to the pub. Blood was found on the Sig Sauer and its holster, and investigators say that Serrano had recently washed a dark tank top and deleted Ring video footage filmed on a smart doorbell. Serrano was charged with second degree murder and tampering with, or fabricating, physical evidence.

UPDATE: In March 2022, Yvonne Serrano was arrested due to “numerous program violations” at the 12 Step Fellowship Living Facilities center where she was being housed while awaiting trial. In June 2021, Serrano had been released from jail and moved to the live-in drug rehabilitation facility. Serrano is awaiting trial in the death of Daniela Tabares Maya on a reduced charge of manslaughter.

Source: “Accused Coral Springs Killer Rearrested for Bullying Roommates at Halfway House,” *Coral Springs Talk*, March 8, 2022; “Woman, 51, is arrested for ‘shooting dead woman, 21, after bar outing,’” *dailymail.co.uk*, November 25, 2019.

Florida

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Andre Sinclair

SHOT AND KILLED DURING INCIDENT

Date: June 7, 2019

People Killed: 2

Circumstances: On June 7, 2019 concealed handgun permit holder Andre Sinclair, 22, shot and killed Keith Byrne, 41, during a road rage incident in Davie, Florida. Byrne was on the phone with a friend while driving when he accidentally cut off a BMW driven by Sinclair's girlfriend. According to the friend on the phone, Byrne wanted to apologize for the mistake at the next light. However, despite pleas from his girlfriend to stay in the car with her and their toddler daughter, Sinclair got out of his car and shot Byrne in the chest. Byrne, who was also a concealed handgun permit holder, fired back at Sinclair. Byrne died at the scene and Sinclair died of his injuries two days later. Police Sgt. Mark Leone called the incident "pointless and silly." He added that if Sinclair had survived, the police would have identified him as the primary aggressor and charged him with murder.

Source: "He wanted to apologize for cutting off another driver. It turned into a deadly shootout," *sun-sentinel.com*, June 12, 2019.

Florida

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Muhammad Rakibul Haque

PENDING

Date: May 20, 2019

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On May 20, 2019, concealed handgun permit holder Muhammad Rakibul Haque, 42, allegedly shot and killed Rafat Saeed, 36, following a scuffle outside the Islamic Society of Tampa Bay. The shooting took place just outside the mosque's parking lot following a Ramadan prayer service. A wrongful death suit was filed by Saeed's family against the mosque and Haque. According to the lawsuit, Saeed and Haque knew each other prior to the shooting and reportedly "had been at odds for years." On the day of the shooting Haque, who was a member of the Islamic Society's congregation and a volunteer on its "security team," stopped Saeed for speeding through the parking lot and the two men fought. Haque then shoved Saeed "face-first" to the ground and allegedly shot him twice in the back with a 9mm pistol. A preliminary medical examiner's report confirmed that Saeed was killed by a bullet in the "left aspect of (Saeed's) back." The wrongful death suit seeks damages from the mosque because of "negligent retention, training, and supervision" of the "security team." Haque was charged with second degree murder.

Source: "Arrest made in deadly shooting outside Tampa mosque," *Tampa Bay Times*, June 30, 2019; "Tampa man was shot twice in the back in mosque melee, lawsuit says," *Tampa Bay Times*, May 30, 2019.

Florida

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Ian Stefan

CONVICTED

Date: February 5, 2019

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On February 5, 2019, concealed handgun permit holder Ian Stefan, 26, allegedly shot and killed his neighbor Slobodan Jakovljevic, 68, during a dispute about an unleashed dog. Stefan was walking his dog through the Park Place Apartments complex without a leash when Jakovljevic confronted him about it. According to investigators, Stefan's response upset Jakovljevic, who then charged at Stefan with his fists clenched. Stefan then pulled out his gun and allegedly shot Jakovljevic in the chest. According to a probable cause affidavit "no words or physical altercation ensued as Jakovljevic was moving toward Stefan." Stefan claimed that he feared for his life when he pulled out his gun. Stefan was charged with second degree murder.

UPDATE: In November 2021, Ian Stefan pleaded guilty to manslaughter with a deadly weapon in the death of Slobodan Jakovljevic. Stefan was sentenced to 11 years in prison and was credited with 930 days of time served.

Source: "West Palm Beach man sentenced to 11 years in shooting death of neighbor over dog dispute," *The Palm Beach Post*, November 11, 2021; "South Florida man arrested after fatally shooting neighbor during dog dispute," *local10.com*, April 26, 2019.

Florida

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Unidentified

PENDING

Date: October 2, 2018

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On October 2, 2018, a concealed carry permit holder shot and killed Treyvis Gooch, 21, during a shootout near Altamonte Springs, Florida. The name of the man who shot Gooch has not been released but authorities said the suspect claimed he shot Gooch in self-defense after Gooch fired at him first. Authorities stated that the two men knew one another and that the shooting was not random. Both Gooch and the suspect had concealed carry permits. Commenting on the gunfight, Sheriff Dennis Lemma stated, “The real victims in this case are the people who live in the neighborhood: law-abiding citizens who should not be subject to shootouts.”

Sources: “Man dies after shootout near Altamonte Springs – shooter claims self-defense, cops say,” *orlandosentinel.com*, October 3, 2018; “Man critically wounded in shooting near Altamonte Springs, sheriff says.” *orlandosentinel.com*, October 2, 2018.

Florida

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Lucson Laguerre

PENDING

Date: September 7, 2018

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On September 7, 2018, concealed carry permit holder Lucson Laguerre, 39, allegedly shot and killed Terrence Wilson, 22, in Lake Park, Florida. Laguerre initially told police that he had parked his SUV and left it running with his five-year-old daughter in the back seat as he went into a barber shop to pick up his 12-year-old son. According to Laguerre, Wilson jumped into the driver's seat of the SUV and attempted to steal the vehicle. Fearing for his daughter's safety, Laguerre said he opened fire at Wilson, killing him. Initially, no charges were filed. But later a surveillance video from a nearby business raised questions as to whether Laguerre's daughter was ever in the car or if he had made that portion of his story up to justify the use of deadly force. Laguerre was arrested on manslaughter charges.

Sources: "Man initially cleared in fatal shooting now arrested," *wpbj.com*, November 1, 2018; "Man faces manslaughter charge in Lake Park fatal shooting," *The Palm Beach Post*, October 31, 2018; "Man arrested for manslaughter after new video of shooting surfaces," *wptv.com*, October 31, 2018.

Florida

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Michael Drejka

CONVICTED

Date: July 19, 2018

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On July 19, 2018, concealed handgun permit holder Michael Drejka, 47, allegedly shot and killed Markeis McGlockton, following an altercation in the parking lot outside a convenience store. McGlockton parked his vehicle in a handicapped parking space before going into the convenience store with his five-year-old son. While they were in the store, Drejka approached McGlockton's girlfriend who was in the vehicle and yelled at her for parking in a handicapped spot without a permit. Surveillance footage shows McGlockton walking out of the store and shoving Drejka to the ground before Drejka pulled out a handgun and allegedly fired a single shot striking McGlockton in the chest. McGlockton died at a nearby hospital. Drejka claimed he acted in self defense and the local sheriff's office initially declined to bring charges in the case, citing Florida's "stand your ground" law. On August 13, 2018 Drejka was arrested and charged with manslaughter.

UPDATE: On August 23, 2019, Michael Drejka was found guilty of manslaughter in the death of Markeis McGlockton. Drejka is scheduled to be sentenced on October 10, 2019.

Source: "Jury finds Michael Drejka guilty of manslaughter in 'stand your ground' case," *cbsnews.com*, August 24, 2019; "Florida man charged with manslaughter in 'stand your ground' shooting," *cbsnews.com*, August 13, 2018.

Florida

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Jonathan Oxendine

PENDING

Date: June 23, 2018

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On June 23, 2018, concealed handgun permit holder Jonathan Oxendine, 23, allegedly shot and killed Darrell Jenkins on a street near RJ Middle School in Jacksonville, Florida. Oxendine identified himself as the shooter when law enforcement arrived at the scene. He turned over his gun and concealed weapon permit. Oxendine was arrested and charged with manslaughter on March 5, 2019, nine months after the shooting. He was booked in the St. Johns County Jail on a bond of \$250,000.

Sources: "St. Augustine man arrested for manslaughter had originally identified himself as shooter," *wokv.com*, March 6, 2019.

Florida

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Tyler Bardin

CONVICTED

Date: December 28, 2017

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On December 28, 2017, concealed handgun permit holder Tyler Bardin, 22, allegedly shot and killed his mother's boyfriend, Brian Vessel, 46. Bardin claims Vessel was abusive towards his mother, and killing Vessel was an act of self-defense. Bardin's neighbor, Robert Colvin described his sense of dread when he learned that Bardin had acquired a gun, "I said, 'This ain't gonna be no good, not with Brian's temper when he's drinking....They had a fight before, but Tyler wasn't carrying (a gun). He finally got one and I guess things came to a head last night.'" Another neighbor, Demetrius Norfleet, said that in the two years he had lived there he had heard Bardin and Vessel argue frequently. On the night of the shooting, Norfleet said he was awakened by Vessel's raised voice saying, "You want some of me?" Norfleet added, "The next thing I know – pop, pop, pop. About three shots." According to authorities, deputies did a cursory search of the apartment before encountering a roughly 100 pound pit bull and securing the scene. Authorities believed Bardin was still in the apartment, and after attempting to make contact, saw him run out through the back door of the apartment. He was eventually taken into custody. Bardin was initially charged with one count of tampering with physical evidence, a felony, for allegedly disposing of the gun that was used in the shooting. On April 12, 2018, Bardin was charged with second degree murder.

UPDATE: In January 2020, Tyler Bardin pleaded guilty to second degree murder in the death of Brian Vessel and was sentenced to 10 years in jail.

Source: "Man accused of killing mom's abusive boyfriend sentenced to 10 years," *fox13news.com*, January 14, 2020; "Tampa man charged with murder in fatal shooting of mom's boyfriend," *baynews9.com*, April 13, 2018; "Tampa man disposed of gun after shooting, deputies say," *www.tbreporter.com*, December 31, 2017.

Florida

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Ashlyn Salomon

CONVICTED

Date: August 23, 2016

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On August 23, 2016, concealed handgun permit holder Ashlyn Salomon, 26, shot and killed Jonathan Maciel, 34, his neighbor and the boyfriend of his girlfriend's mother, Anna Calcagno. Maciel and Calcagno were arguing over another woman when Salomon became involved, leading to a scuffle between the two men. Maciel left, went to his apartment, and then returned, walking towards Salomon with one hand behind his back. Salomon, who stated that he believed Maciel had gone to get a gun, went to his car and retrieved his own gun, firing 17 shots at Maciel hitting him seven times, mostly in the back. Salomon claimed he acted in self-defense but was convicted of second degree murder with a firearm. He was sentenced to 25 years in prison.

Source: "Fort Pierce man convicted of killing his neighbor sentenced to 25 years," www.tcpalm.com, February 22, 2018.

Florida

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Everett Miller

CONVICTED

Date: August 18, 2017

People Killed: 2

Law Enforcement Officers Killed: 2

Circumstances: On August 18, 2017, concealed handgun permit holder Everett Miller, 45, allegedly shot and killed Kissimmee Police Officer Matthew Baxter, 27, and Sgt. Sam Howard, 36, following a scuffle. During a patrol, Baxter was “checking out” three people, including Miller, when the officer got into a scuffle with Miller. Sgt. Howard responded as backup. Miller allegedly shot and killed the two officers who did not have an opportunity to return fire. Sheriff’s deputies from a neighboring agency located Miller at a bar and approached him. When Miller reached for his waistband, the deputies tackled him and subdued him. Miller was carrying two handguns when he was arrested. Prior to the shooting, the Orlando Police Department warned its officers about Miller in a memo, saying he should be approached with caution. The memo said Miller was seen in a Facebook Live video in which he allegedly said, “If this cop comes out with his gun, I’m going to shoot me a cop.” According to the memo, Miller had a gun in the video and said, “No cop is going to get Glen Miller today.” Miller was charged with first degree murder in the death of Officer Baxter and is awaiting charges in the death of Sgt. Howard.

UPDATE: On September 11, 2019, Everett Miller was found guilty of first degree murder. On November 13, 2019, a jury recommended that Miller be sentenced to death.

Source: “Jury recommends execution for Marine veteran who ambushed and killed 2 Florida police officers,” *taskandpurpose.com*, November 14, 2019; “Everett Miller verdict: Guilty of 1st-degree murder in killing of 2 Kissimmee cops,” *orlandosentinel.com*, September 11, 2019; “Memo from OPD warned officers of alleged Kissimmee gunman,” *WESH 2 News*, August 21, 2017; “Suspect in Kissimmee police shooting is former Marine, records show,” *cbsnews.com*, August 20, 2017.

Florida

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Clay Curtsinger

CONVICTED

Date: July 7, 2017

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On July 7, 2017, concealed handgun permit holder Clay Curtsinger, 47, allegedly shot and killed his girlfriend's ex-husband Jack Radke. Radke and his ex-wife had been divorced for approximately four years. According to witnesses, Radke had parked his Ford van near a curb and was having a conversation with an acquaintance when they noticed a white Dodge Ram pick-up truck stopped near an intersection. Curtsinger then pulled the Dodge next to Radke and allegedly fired seven shots, six of which struck Radke. According to witnesses, the shooting happened within seconds and no words were exchanged between the two men. Curtsinger's girlfriend told authorities that he had left the house in a rush shortly before the shooting and then quickly returned to retrieve his wallet, which contained his concealed weapons permit. Curtsinger told her that he had just shot her ex-husband and then ran back toward the scene of the shooting. Deputies said the evidence did not indicate self-defense since Radke did not have a gun and the two men did not interact before the shooting. According to the arrest affidavit, Curtsinger told police, "Well, let's get this over with. The [Department of Veterans Affairs] will have a field day with you over this. I was defending myself." Curtsinger was charged with first degree murder with a firearm.

UPDATE: On August 30, 2019, Clay Curtsinger pleaded nolo contendere and was adjudicated guilty of second degree murder with a firearm and sentenced to 246 months in prison with credit for two years and 54 days as time served.

Source: *State of Florida v. Clay Anthony Curtsinger*, case number 2017-CF-008639-A-O; "Man accused of fatally shooting girlfriend's ex-husband," *clickorlando.com*, July 10, 2017.

Florida

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Esteban Santiago

CONVICTED

Date: January 6, 2017

People Killed: 5

Circumstances: On January 6, 2017, concealed handgun permit holder Esteban Santiago, 26, allegedly opened fire in the baggage claim area of the Fort Lauderdale-Hollywood International Airport killing five and wounding six others. A witness said that the shooter reloaded his Walther 9mm pistol before running out of ammunition. The suspect then sat on the floor and waited to be arrested. The shooter had arrived on a Delta flight from Alaska and had his handgun in his checked baggage. Santiago reportedly had a history of mental health problems. Santiago was held on federal firearms and airport violence charges while awaiting formal charges to be filed.

UPDATE: On May 1, 2018, prosecutors announced they would not seek the death penalty against Esteban Santiago in exchange for his guilty plea in the January 2017 mass shooting at Fort Lauderdale-Hollywood International Airport. In August 2018, the judge overseeing the case formally accepted the plea deal and Santiago was sentenced to five life sentences plus 120 years in prison.

Sources: "Airport shooter Esteban Santiago sentenced to five life terms and 120 years in prison," *sun-sentinel.com*, August 17, 2018; "Airport shooter Esteban Santiago to plead guilty, spend life in prison," *sun-sentinel.com*, May 1, 2018; "Accused airport shooter Esteban Santiago told his maximum penalty 'is death'," *Florida Sun Sentinel*, January 9, 2017; "Esteban Santiago identified as gunman in Fort Lauderdale shooting," *New York Daily News*, January 6, 2017.

Florida

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Jeffrey Collie

PENDING

Date: September 7, 2015

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On September 7, 2015, concealed handgun permit holder Jeffrey Collie, 71, allegedly shot and killed Ellyaher Ianza, 22, following a dispute outside a Winn-Dixie in Dania Beach, Florida. According to a police report, Collie heard from a friend that someone may have hit his truck which was parked at the Winn-Dixie. Collie allegedly waited until Ianza came out of the Dollar Store near the Winn-Dixie. Collie then confronted Ianza and the two men struggled while Ianza's friend went to call police. Collie claims that during the struggle, his gun misfired and struck Ianza once in the chest. Police said witnesses and surveillance video did not support his claim, and they believe Collie was the aggressor, first searching for Ianza, then confronting him and shooting him in the chest. Collie was arrested and charged with murder. Collie was able to obtain a concealed weapons permit despite a lengthy arrest record. Collie pleaded no contest to carrying a concealed weapon in 1987 and was convicted of a misdemeanor charge of child abuse the next year. He was also convicted on a marijuana charge in 2008 and was charged with possession of a weapon by a convicted felon, though that charge was later dropped.

Source: "Man accused in Dania Beach shooting arrested multiple times," *local10.com*, September 11, 2015; "Man Charged With Murder in Fatal Shooting at Winn-Dixie Plaza in Dania Beach: BSO," *nbc-miami.com*, September 8, 2015.

Florida

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Jamie Brunette

SUICIDE

Date: February 9, 2015

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On February 9, 2015, concealed handgun permit holder Jamie Brunette, 30, shot and killed herself with her Smith & Wesson .380 handgun that she had purchased about six months earlier. Brunette was a Second Lieutenant in the United States Air Force and served in Afghanistan from August 2012 to March 2013. She left active duty in June 2014 and became a Captain in the Air Force Reserve.

Source: "Tampa reservist's suicide brings home tragedy," *Tampa Tribune*, February 22, 2015.

Florida

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Kevin Ahles

UNINTENTIONAL

Date: January 21, 2015

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On January 21, 2015, concealed handgun permit holder Kevin Ahles, 23, left his two-year-old son Kaleb in his car while he was carrying boxes to help his family prepare for a move. Kaleb crawled across the front seat of the car and opened the glove compartment, where his father had left his .380 pistol that he carried for protection. Kaleb lifted the gun and pulled the trigger. The bullet struck him in the chest and he was pronounced dead at a nearby medical center. According to Kaleb's grandfather, a retired Tampa Police detective, Kevin Ahles was aware of the rules of gun safety saying, "He was talked to a million times...He took the class and everything."

Source: "Grandfather of toddler who shot himself: 'Guns and kids don't mix,'" *Tampa Bay Times*, January 22, 2015; "Pinellas toddler finds his father's gun, kills himself," *Tampa Bay Times*, January 21, 2015.

Florida

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Thomas Chambers

CONVICTED

Date: February 13, 2014

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On February 13, 2014, three-year-old Zuri Chambers picked up her father's pistol which was left on a table near the entrance to the family home and, with the gun four to six inches from her face, unintentionally shot herself. She was airlifted to a local hospital where she died a short time later. Her father, concealed handgun permit holder Thomas Chambers, 41, was charged with aggravated manslaughter of a child. According to police, Chambers said he left the gun on the table so he wouldn't forget it when he left for work. Chambers told them he carries the gun to work for safety reasons. According to investigators, this was the third time his daughter had played with a gun she had found in the home. According to the arrest report, the girl's mother told police she once woke up to her daughter pointing a gun at her. In another incident, the girl picked up a gun that was sitting on a laundry basket. According to police, Chambers did not believe his daughter was strong enough to pull the trigger of the pistol which had a 10-pound trigger pull. When officers conducted a walkthrough at the home following the shooting, they found a loaded pistol on top of a speaker in the Chambers' bedroom next to a playpen and an unloaded shotgun in the closet. If convicted, Chambers faces up to 30 years in prison.

UPDATE: On November 18, 2014, Thomas Chambers pleaded guilty to manslaughter in the unintentional shooting death of his three-year-old daughter. Chambers was sentenced to 10 years probation, and was required to complete 120 community service hours per year, as well as speaking about gun safety four times per year to schools, church groups, or other organizations. If the terms of his probation are violated, he could face up to 15 years in prison.

Source: "Former Lake Worth dad gets 10 years probation for accidental gunshot death of daughter, 3," *Sun Sentinel*, November 18, 2014; "Cops: Girl, 3, shot herself in head with dad's pistol," *hntv.com*, March 5, 2014.

Florida

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Claudius Smith

CONVICTED

Date: January 16, 2014

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On January 16, 2014, concealed handgun permit holder Claudius Smith, 32, allegedly shot and killed Ricardo Sanes, 21, with a 45 caliber handgun. According to news reports, Smith was with his girlfriend inside their home when, watching the video feed of the surveillance cameras they had for the house, she saw Sanes walking through their yard. Smith left the house to pursue Sanes, telling his girlfriend to lock the doors and windows. Watching the video feed, she then saw him jump over a fence in pursuit of Sanes and heard several gunshots. When police arrived, they found Sanes dead, having been shot in the back and neck. Six 45 caliber shell casings surrounded his body. Smith claimed self-defense. Examining Sanes' body, police found a Smith & Wesson .40 handgun in his pants, but stated that the firearm was so deep down in his pants "it was obvious it was never produced during the shooting." Smith was charged with second-degree murder.

UPDATE: On February 5, 2015, Claudius Smith pleaded Nolo Contendere to manslaughter with a firearm, and was sentenced to 15 years in prison.

Source: *State of Florida v. Claudius Anglo Ricardo Smith*, Circuit Court of the Ninth Judicial Circuit, in and for Orange County, Florida, Case No. 2014-CF-000661-A-O, myclerk.myorangeclerk.com; "Police charge man in MetroWest fatal shooting," *Orlando Sentinel*, January 17, 2014.

Florida

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Michael Joseph Day

CONVICTED

Date: January 3, 2014

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On January 3, 2014, concealed handgun permit holder Michael Joseph Day, 45, allegedly shot and killed Kendra Michelle Nagy, 33, with a .38 revolver before attempting to kill himself with the same gun. Day and Nagy had been in a relationship for three to four years, but had broken up and then reconciled shortly before the shooting. On the night of the shooting, Nagy and Day were at the Overtime Sports Bar where she worked, and Day was reportedly belittling her before she left without him. The next morning when Nagy didn't show up for work, her co-workers went to her house where they encountered Day, bleeding from the head. According to police, a .38 revolver was found at the scene along with five spent shells. Nagy had been shot in the cheek at close range. According to medical personnel, Day was shot upward through the lower jaw with the bullet lodging in his head. Day is expected to recover. On January 7, 2014, Day was charged with murder.

UPDATE: In 2015, Michael Joseph Day pleaded guilty to second degree murder in the death of Kendra Nagy. In February 2016, Day was sentenced to life in prison.

Source: "Man receives life sentence for girlfriend's murder," *news4jax.com*, February 10, 2016; "Botched murder-suicide ends with arrest of 45-year-old Jacksonville man," *jacksonville.com*, January 7, 2014 .

Florida

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Joshua Henry

UNINTENTIONAL

Date: December 1, 2013

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On December 1, 2013, while being “playful,” Erin Steele, 20, unintentionally shot and killed her boyfriend, Justin Holt, 22, with a pistol owned by concealed handgun permit holder Joshua Henry, 23, who was visiting at the apartment of his friend Madison Flint. According to news reports, earlier Henry had been showing Steele, Holt, and others how to pull the slide of the gun back and operate the unloaded weapon. After the group, who had been drinking, were done handling the gun, Henry put the ammunition magazine back into the weapon and placed the pistol in his waistband. When wearing it became uncomfortable, he placed the weapon on the counter without telling anyone that it was now loaded. When Steele saw the pistol on the kitchen counter, she assumed it was still unloaded, “pointed it toward Justin in a playful manner,” and pulled the trigger. Holt was hit in the chest with one round and was later pronounced dead at a local medical center. Earlier, when the group had been handling the gun, Henry had told them that “you always assume that the handgun is loaded.” Erin Steele and Joshua Henry both face charges of manslaughter by culpable negligence.

UPDATE: On February 11, 2016, manslaughter charges were dropped against Joshua Henry, with the judge in the case agreeing with the defense that the shooting was an accident.

Source: “Judge dismisses manslaughter charge in 2013 Boca shooting,” *sunsentinel.com*, February 17, 2016; “Boca Raton police: Girlfriend says she fatally shot boyfriend by accident, didn’t know gun was loaded,” *Palm Beach Post*, February 19, 2014; “Erin Steele, Joshua Henry charged in Boca Raton shooting death last December,” *www.wptv.com*, February 14, 2014.

Florida

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Christian Joseph McKenzie
SHOT AND KILLED IN INCIDENT

Date: November 14, 2013

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On November 14, 2013, concealed handgun permit holder Christian Joseph McKenzie, 21, was shot and killed with his own gun. According to McKenzie's parents, he was last seen leaving their house on the morning of the shooting in his 1993 Toyota truck. Later that evening, police found his truck at the intersection of SW 232nd Street and SW 187th Avenue in Miami. The next morning, police found McKenzie's body near a canal approximately 12 miles from his parents' home. McKenzie had been shot in the upper torso. According to police, the area where McKenzie's body was found was often used for target practice by young people. On January 23, 2015, police recovered McKenzie's firearm and determined that he had been killed with his own gun. Physical evidence and witness statements led police to arrest Juan Salgado, 21, and charge him with second-degree murder with a deadly weapon, third degree grand theft, third-degree grand theft, third-degree grand theft with a firearm, and third-degree grand theft with a vehicle.

Source: "Imprisoned Man Charged in SW Dade Murder Case," *cbsmiami.com*, May 22, 2015, "Parents Ask For Help Solving Son's Death," *cbsmiami.com*, December 27, 2013.

Florida

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Javier Ortoll

CONVICTED

Date: October 21, 2013

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On October 21, 2013, concealed handgun permit holder Javier Ortoll, 78, allegedly shot and killed Edward Melone, 51. Melone was a tenant in a home owned by Ortoll and had reportedly fallen behind on his rent. According to a news report, Ortoll, who often carried a gun, went to the home Melone rented and allegedly shot and killed him. Ortoll was charged with second-degree murder.

UPDATE: On May 29, 2015, Javier Ortoll was found guilty of second degree murder in the death of Edward Melone, and faces a possible life sentence.

Source: "Jury convicts 79-year-old landlord in fatal shooting of tenant," *Orlando Sentinel*, May 30, 2015; "Landlord accused in fatal shooting of tenant behind on rent," *foxnews.com*, October 22, 2013.

Florida

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Ian Burlakoff

SHOT AND KILLED BY POLICE

Date: October 20, 2013

People Killed: 2 (including shooter)

Circumstances: On October 20, 2013, concealed handgun permit holder Ian Burlakoff, 41, shot and killed his wife, Gemma, 37, with a handgun on a busy public street in Boca Raton, Florida. When law enforcement arrived, Burlakoff reached for his gun and was shot dead by police. The couple had four daughters, the oldest 12 years of age, the youngest a baby. The couple, married in 2005, reportedly had a volatile marriage, including calls to police, domestic violence, mental health issues, gambling debts, “outrageous” shopping sprees, a divorce filing, and allegations of infidelity. On the day of the shooting, the couple and their three oldest children were spending the day poolside at the Boca Raton Resort and Club. The couple got into a fight which ended with Ian Burlakoff shooting and killing his wife on the street.

Source: “Violent End for Wealthy Boca Raton Couple Came After Years of a Fiery Marriage, Planned Divorce,” *Florida Sun-Sentinel*, October 28, 2013.

Florida

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Derek Medina

CONVICTED

Date: August 8, 2013

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On August 8, 2013, concealed handgun permit holder Derek Medina, 31, posted on his Facebook page that he had killed his wife, Jennifer Alfonso, 26. Soon after, a picture of Alfonso, slumped over on the floor with blood on her face and arm, her knees bent and her legs bent behind her, appeared on the page. Several hours later Medina turned himself in to police. According to Medina's arrest affidavit, he and Alfonso got into an argument in their upstairs bedroom, during which he pointed a gun at her. Alfonso then told Medina she was leaving him. The argument continued in the kitchen, where she began punching him. Medina then went back upstairs and got his gun. As he returned to the kitchen, Alfonso grabbed a knife which Medina took away from her. She then began punching him, at which point, according to the affidavit, he shot her several times. Medina was held without bond on a first degree murder charge. Medina had told his neighbors in the townhouse complex where the couple lived that he was the neighborhood watch patrol.

UPDATE: On November 25, 2015, Derek Medina was found guilty of second degree murder, firing a deadly missile, and child neglect in the killing of Jennifer Alfonso. On February 5, 2016, Medina was sentenced to life in prison.

Source: "Florida 'Facebook killer' gets life in prison for wife's murder," *Reuters*, February 5, 2016; "Derek Medina found guilty in Facebook murder trial," *local10.com*, November 25, 2015; "Derek Medina, Florida Murder Suspect Who Posted Photo of Wife's Body, Denied Bond," *www.atlantadailyworld.com*, August 12, 2013.

Florida

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Pedro Vargas

SHOT AND KILLED DURING INCIDENT

Date: July 27, 2013

People Killed: 6

Circumstances: On July 27, 2013, concealed handgun permit holder Pedro Vargas, 42, shot and killed six people at an apartment complex in Hialeah, Florida before being shot and killed by a police SWAT team. Officials identified those killed by Vargas as: Italo Piscioti, 79; Camira Piscioti, 69; Carlos Javier Gavilanes, 33; Patricio Simono, 64; Merly S. Niebles, 51; and, Priscilla Perez, 17. The incident began around 6:30 PM when Vargas lit his apartment on fire by burning \$10,000 in cash with a combustible liquid. Vargas's mother, who was in the apartment at the time, fled to safety. Seeing the smoke, building managers Italo and Camira Piscioti ran toward the apartment. They were met at the door by Vargas, who shot and killed them both. Vargas then walked out onto his balcony, firing 10 to 20 shots from his Glock 9mm pistol, killing Gavilanes who was standing in the parking lot of an apartment building across the street. Vargas then went one floor down and kicked in an apartment door before shooting Patricio Simono and his girlfriend Merly Niebles. Niebles' daughter Priscilla hid in the bathtub, but Vargas discovered her and shot and killed her. Vargas then continued firing randomly. Police arrived on the scene and returned fire. Vargas then entered another apartment where he took two hostages. Negotiators talked with Vargas but eventually a SWAT team entered the apartment and killed him, freeing the two hostages. Vargas took a two-hour introduction training course and a four-hour safety course at the Florida Gun Center in the fall of 2010 before obtaining his concealed weapons permit and purchasing a Glock 17 pistol. He reportedly had no known history of violence or mental illness.

Source: "Hialeah police chief details tense moments of hostage rescue," *Miami Herald*, July 29, 2013; "Little about Pedro Vargas' life sheds light on motive for Hialeah massacre," *Miami Herald*, July 28, 2013; "Shooter Set \$10,000 on Fire in Hialeah Shooting Rampage," *nbc6.com*, July 28, 2013.

Florida

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Javier Burgos

CONVICTED

Date: June 19, 2013

People Killed: 2

Circumstances: On June 19, 2013, concealed handgun permit holder Javier Burgos shot and killed his supervisor Ted Orama, 56, and co-worker Christopher Marshall, 48, at the Alexander W. Dreyfoos School of the Arts where they all worked as custodians. Throughout the years before his death, Orama warned school officials and district police of Burgos' behavior, saying the other custodians were "afraid to work alone with him." In 2010, Burgos offered to sell a gun to another custodian. Police were contacted following the incident because of Burgos' temper and tendency to argue with co-workers. Other complaints against Burgos included grabbing his crotch in front of a female co-worker, calling a co-worker a monkey, and challenging another co-worker to a fight. Burgos was arrested after four years on the run and an escape to Colombia. He eventually turned himself in, pleaded guilty to two counts of first-degree murder, and was sentenced to two life terms in prison.

Source: "Former fugitive gets life in prison for 2013 Dreyfoos killings," www.palmbeachpost.com, July 31, 2017; "Man linked to double Dreyfoos murders tried to sell gun to co-worker; other new allegations revealed," www.palmbeachpost.com, June 25, 2013.

Florida

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Jeffrey D. Walker

UNINTENTIONAL

Date: May 7, 2013

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On May 7, 2013, Jadarrius Speights, three, unintentionally shot himself with his uncle's 9mm handgun which he found in a backpack. Speights shared a bedroom with his uncle, concealed handgun permit holder Jeffrey D. Walker, 29. According to the sheriff's office, Walker stored his handgun unsecured in his backpack and when he left the room, Speights found the weapon and shot himself. He was taken to a nearby hospital where he died. Walker faces a charge of culpable negligence, a third-degree felony.

Source: "Uncle charged after Tampa boy, 3, fatally shoots himself," *The Tampa Tribune*, May 7, 2013.

Florida

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** William Sherwood

CONVICTED

Date: March 2013

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: In March 2013, concealed handgun permit holder William Sherwood, 65, shot and killed John Pratt, 64, following a traffic accident in Melbourne, Florida. According to news reports, Sherwood claimed that Pratt cut him off in traffic and repeatedly hit his brakes. Sherwood honked his horn, and “made a rude hand gesture.” Their cars collided as both attempted to make a right turn. Pratt got out of his vehicle and approached Sherwood’s door. Sherwood, a lifetime member of the National Rifle Association, claimed that Pratt reached in and punched him which made him fear for his life. Sherwood then pulled a 45 caliber 1911 pistol and shot Pratt twice, killing him. Sherwood claimed he acted in self defense, but prosecutors argued Pratt had been at Sherwood’s window for no more than 10 seconds when he was shot. A police report cited witnesses who said that Pratt “did not have a weapon, appear aggressive, or attack the defendant.” On September 17, 2014, Sherwood was found guilty of second degree murder. He faces a minimum of 25 years in prison and could receive up to a life sentence.

Source: “Man found guilty in Brevard County road-rage killing case,” *wftv.com*, September 17, 2014; “Road-rage beating preceded shooting, defendant testifies,” *floridatoday.com*, September 12, 2014; “Road rage killer on trial in Brevard claims self-defense,” *floridatoday.com*, September 10, 2014.

Florida

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Krystal Caruso

UNINTENTIONAL

Date: February 20, 2013

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On February 20, 2013, concealed handgun permit holder Krystal Caruso, 23 unintentionally shot and killed herself while playing with her 9mm handgun. According to her friend Jordan Coombs, Caruso often played with her handgun. Coombs said that her 16-year-old brother watched as Caruso spun the handgun in her hand and pointed it at her head. The gun fired and killed her. “I want to wake her up back from the dead just to punch her in the face and go, ‘Why were you being so stupid?’” Coombs said.

Source: “Krystal Caruso accidentally shot herself in head in front of friend,” *wpbfl.com*, February 20, 2013.

Florida

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Michael Dunn

CONVICTED

Date: November 23, 2012

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On November 23, 2012, concealed handgun permit holder Michael Dunn, 45, fired several shots into an SUV in which Jordan Davis, 17, was sitting with other teens at a gas station in southeast Jacksonville, Florida. Dunn had complained to the teens about loud music coming from the SUV. Although one passenger in the SUV turned down the music, Dunn claimed he heard the teens “cussing” at him and making threats and said to them, “...are you talking to me?” He also claimed he heard a verbal threat from one of the vehicle’s passengers and saw a shotgun barrel from inside the vehicle on the rim of a window, although police later found no gun in the car. Dunn’s lawyer claims that when he saw the shotgun he retrieved his gun from the glove compartment of his car, loaded it, and fired into the SUV, hitting and killing Davis. Dunn then drove away, telling his girlfriend that he had “fired at these kids.” He turned himself in the next day and now faces charges of murder and attempted murder.

UPDATE: On February 15, 2014, Michael Dunn was found guilty on four charges, including three attempted second-degree murder charges. However, the jury was unable to reach a verdict on the charge of murder. Each attempted second-degree murder charge carries a minimum sentence of at least 20 years in prison. According to State Attorney Angela Corey, prosecutors would press for a new trial on the murder charge.

UPDATE: On October 1, 2014, Michael Dunn was found guilty of first-degree murder in the death of Jordan Davis. He was sentenced to life in prison without the opportunity for parole.

Source: “Michael Dunn Sentenced to Life Without Parole for Loud Music Killing,” *www.nbcnews.com*, October 17, 2014; “Michael Dunn guilty of first-degree murder for killing Jordan Davis,” *news4jax.com*, October 1, 2014; “Dunn convicted of attempted murder; hung jury on murder in ‘loud-music’ trial,” *CNN*, February 16, 2014; “Suspect in gas station shooting claims teens had a shotgun,” *Actionnewsjax.com*, November 27, 2012; “Beachside man heading to Jacksonville to face charges in teen’s slaying,” *Florida Today*, November 27, 2012.

Florida

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Gregory Burns

PENDING

Date: August 31, 2012

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On August 31, 2012, concealed handgun permit holder Gregory Burns, 52, allegedly shot and killed Cristian Nunez, following an argument at the Elbo Room bar on Fort Lauderdale beach. According to police, Burns was asked to leave the bar after getting into an argument with another customer. As Nunez, a bouncer employed by the bar, was escorting Burns out, they began to fight. During the altercation, Burns allegedly shot Nunez in the stomach. Nunez was taken to the hospital and listed in critical condition. He later underwent multiple surgeries and treatments before dying from his injuries on March 23, 2014. Burns was initially charged with one count of aggravated battery with a firearm, but that charge was changed to manslaughter following Nunez's death.

UPDATE: According to an April 2019 court filing, the lead detective investigating the shooting death of Cristian Nunez was attempting to retest some of the evidence in the case when he "discovered that all of these items had already been destroyed under the direction of evidence unit supervisor Dawn Ramage." A spokesperson for the Fort Lauderdale police confirmed the evidence was destroyed when the aggravated battery charges against Gregory Burns were dismissed and that police were unaware that new charges had been filed. The evidence that was destroyed included the gun allegedly used in the shooting, bullet casings, and dashcam video. Burns' defense attorney argued that Burns could have used that evidence to mount a justifiable or accidental homicide defense and that without it, Burns would not be able to have a fair trial. A court hearing was scheduled for May 2019 to determine whether charges should be dismissed.

Source: "With evidence destroyed, case against man accused of killing bouncer may crumble," *local10.com*, April 17, 2019; "Weston Man Arrested in Deadly Bar Brawl Investigation," *miami.cbslocal.com*, April 10, 2014; "Homicide charge expected in shooting of Elbo Room bouncer," *Sun Sentinel*, March 28, 2014.

Florida

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Kenneth Roop

CONVICTED

Date: July 25, 2012

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On July 25, 2012, concealed handgun permit holder Kenneth Roop, 52, allegedly shot and killed door-to-door frozen meat and lobster tail salesman Nick Rainey, 30. Rainey, who was employed by Blue Ribbon Steak and Seafood and was with another salesman, had just knocked on the front door of Roop's home when Roop pulled into his driveway in his pick-up. As Rainey began to walk up to Roop, the permit holder drew a 9mm Glock pistol and shot Rainey in the shoulder. As Rainey lay on the ground wounded, Roop stated that he then shot him in the back of the head "for effect," killing him. Roop told investigators that Rainey should have respected the three no trespassing signs on his property and that he didn't warn Rainey before shooting him because, "I'm not going to give him a chance to do something to me; I was in fear." A neighbor who ran over to help Rainey said that as he bent over to help him, he heard Roop in his garage stating something along the lines of "I'll kill everybody or shoot everybody." A sheriff's deputy then arrived, and told Roop to drop his gun. Said the neighbor, "When he came out of the garage, he looked totally deranged to me. He looked like he was off the deep end." Seven years earlier, Roop had threatened with a gun a female meter reader who was on his property, pointing the weapon "at her heart." He was acquitted of the charge of improper exhibition of a weapon. The former prosecuting attorney in the case told reporters, "This guy had a screw loose," adding, "I knew this guy was a time bomb, I really did." Roop was charged with second degree murder.

UPDATE: In August 2013, Kenneth Roop was found guilty of second-degree murder in the death of Nicholas Rainey. The conviction carries a mandatory life sentence.

Source: "Kenneth Roop guilty of second-degree murder," *nbc-2.com*, August 29, 2013; "'This guy was a time bomb': Man shoots dead door-to-door lobster salesman 'execution style' seven years after pulling gun on female meter reader," *MailOnline*, July 31, 2012; "Salesman shot in head 'for effect,'" *WBBH-TV*, July 27, 2012.

Florida

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Wilmen Diaz

CONVICTED

Date: February 13, 2012

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: Just after midnight on February 13, 2012, concealed carry permit holder Wilmen Diaz, 28, and an unidentified woman were leaving the Tipico Dominicano Club and Restaurant in Miami when Diaz became involved in a confrontation with Michael Anthony Lawrence, 39, and Marcell Donell Brown, 27, “causing... Diaz to produce a firearm and shoot at the males striking them both” according to Miami police. Both Lawrence and Brown, shot with a 9mm gun, were taken to the hospital following the shooting, where Lawrence died. Diaz faces one count of second-degree murder with a firearm and one count of attempted second-degree murder with a firearm.

UPDATE: In June 2014, Wilmen Diaz was found guilty of second degree murder and attempted voluntary manslaughter. He was sentenced to 35 years in prison on the murder charge and five years for the attempted voluntary manslaughter.

Sources: *State of Florida v. Wilmen Diaz*, Circuit Court of the Eleventh Judicial Circuit, Miami-Dade, Florida, Case No. F12-3760, www2.miami-dadeclerk.com; “Man Arrested for Miami Club Shooting: Cops,” *NBC6 Miami*, February 15, 2012; “Man killed in scuffle near Allapattah club,” *The Miami Herald*, February 14, 2012; “One Killed, One Injured in Shooting Outside Miami Club,” *NBC6 Miami*, February 13, 2012; “Tipico Dominicano Club Shooting Leaves Michael Anthony Lawrence Dead And Marcell Donell Brown Injured,” *Huffington Post*, February 13, 2012.

Florida

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Moises Zambrana

UNINTENTIONAL

Date: February 12, 2012

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On February 12, 2012, concealed handgun permit holder Moises Zambrana, 48, was showing his 9mm Ruger pistol to Dustin Bueller, 20, and another man after church services when the handgun accidentally fired (Bueller was thinking of buying the model for himself when he turned 21). Although he “took precautions” in showing the gun to Bueller—going with Bueller into a closet in the church and removing the gun’s ammunition magazine—Zambrana left a round in the pistol’s chamber. The Ruger fired as he was explaining its safety features to Bueller, “sending a bullet through the wall and into the head of Hannah Kelley, 20, — Bueller’s girlfriend and daughter of the church’s pastor, Tim Kelley.” Hannah Kelley died the following Saturday. Zambrana, a licensed security officer, also served as security for the church’s events. Church member Tony Diehl told a reporter that after the shooting his father told him that he knew of three church “regulars” with concealed handgun permits. “I was kind of hoping it wasn’t going to be Moises,” Diehl added, “Why does this need to happen?”

Source: “Pastor’s daughter shot at Florida church dies,” *Associated Press*, February 18, 2012; “Deputies: Pastor’s daughter struck as gun accidentally goes off in Pinellas church,” *Tampa Bay Times*, February 12, 2012.

Florida

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Vishna Beepot

SHOT AND KILLED DURING INCIDENT

Date: June 30, 2011

People Killed: 2

Circumstances: On June 30, 2011, concealed handgun permit holder Vishna Beepot, 26, got into an argument with Junior Lodge, 35, at the South Rock Lounge Bar and Grill in Lauderdale Lakes. When Beepot pulled out a gun, an unnamed security guard at the bar told him to drop his weapon. When Beepot refused, the security guard pulled his own weapon and both men fired. Ten people were shot and injured in the crossfire and Lodge and Beepot were killed. Broward Sheriff Al Lamberti told the press that given the small size of the bar and the number of customers in it at the time, "It's a wonder more people didn't die." Beepot's mother told the press that her son carried his gun for self-protection. The security guard, who detectives stated may have fired his gun in self-defense, was unhurt.

Source: "Officials continue probing bar shooting," www.nbcmiami.com, July 1, 2011.

Florida

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Hewart Bailey

UNINTENTIONAL

Date: April 20, 2011

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On April 20, 2011, a caller to 911 reported that a woman had been shot by her toddler son. When police responded they found Julia Bennett, 33, dead in her apartment. According to a spokeswoman from the Miramar police, the 911 call was made by concealed handgun permit holder Hewart Bailey, the father of the two and a half year old boy. Bailey told authorities that his Glock pistol—which he thought he had unloaded—was accessible to the toddler, who accidentally fired it. A witness said that police checked the boy’s hands for gunshot residue and swabbed his mouth for possible evidence that he had fired the gun. Neighbor Naomi Williams was shocked by the shooting, stating, “I was looking at the baby’s hands and ain’t no way the baby did it.” The circumstances surrounding the shooting remain under investigation.

UPDATE: In June 2014, the Broward State Attorney’s Office decided not to file criminal charges against Hewart Bailey, concluding that the shooting of Julia Bennett was unintentional. In a memo the State Attorney’s Office stated that Bennett was, “accidentally shot once when Hewart Bailey attempted to retrieve his gun from their son.”

Source: “Exclusive: Couple’s Son Had His Hand On Gun In Fatal Shooting,” *miami.cbslocal.com*, June 18, 2014; “Father in Miramar toddler shooting case said he tried to prevent killing,” *www.sunsentinel.com*, May 5, 2011; “Police: Toddler may have fatally shot mother,” *wtsp.com*, April 21, 2011; “Miramar woman identified in claim that child fired fatal shot from Glock; investigation continues,” *South Florida Sun-Sentinel*, April 21, 2011.

Florida

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Justin Campos

CONVICTED

Date: January 18, 2011

People Killed: 2

Circumstances: On January 18, 2011, concealed handgun permit holder Justin Campos, 25, allegedly shot and killed Juan Miguel Sanchez-Perdomo, 20, and Carlos Deleon-Ortiz, 29, following a confrontation outside Lookers strip club in Fort Myers, FL. Detectives state that Campos and alleged accomplice Daniel Guillen, 27, attacked a group of men outside Lookers shortly after midnight. Guillen allegedly pistol-whipped one man then Campos reportedly used the same handgun to shoot Sanchez-Perdomo and Deleon-Ortiz. Campos was arrested hours later and charged with two counts of second-degree murder.

UPDATE: In January 2012, a jury found National Rifle Association member Justin Campos guilty on two second-degree murder charges.

Source: "Jury finds Campos guilty of deadly strip club shooting," *marconews.com*, January 12, 2012; "Judge denies Stand Your Ground motion in strip club shooting," *www.winknews.com*, January 10, 2012; "Murder suspect's attorney: Shooting was self-defense," *Naples Daily News*, January 21, 2011.

Florida

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Emanuel “Emma” Laboy Rivera

CONVICTED

Date: December 10, 2010

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On December 10, 2010, concealed handgun permit holder and drug dealer Emanuel “Emma” Laboy Rivera, 26, allegedly shot and killed Lekeefe Lee, 25, as the result of a drug deal gone bad. According to news reports, Rivera, who dealt drugs out of his home, had agreed to sell Lee three ounces of marijuana for \$900. Lee, who had no cash on him, took only two ounces, leaving his .380 handgun with Rivera as collateral. A half hour later Lee returned to Rivera’s home, where they discussed “the weight and quality” of the marijuana. Lee then took his handgun and the remaining ounce of marijuana without paying Rivera and walked to his car, followed by Rivera. Rivera then fired his Glock pistol into Lee’s car. The bullet shattered the car’s rear window hitting Lee, who drove the car two to four blocks before hitting a utility pole. Lee was believed to have been killed by the gunshot wound. Because of Florida’s Castle law, which allows the use of lethal force in cases of perceived threat, Rivera was not charged with homicide (even though the law does not apply to a person who is engaged in unlawful activity). Though not charged in the homicide, Rivera was charged with two felony counts of delivery of drugs and use of a gun in the commission of a felony.

UPDATE: In January 2011, Rivera was charged with second-degree murder and was held without bail at the Volusia County Branch jail.

UPDATE: On January 28, 2013, Rivera was found guilty of manslaughter with a firearm and was sentenced to 18 years in prison.

Source: “Drug dealer gets 18 years in fatal shooting during drug deal gone bad,” *Daytona Beach News-Journal*, January 28, 2013; “Police charge dealer with murder in shooting,” *Daytona Beach News-Journal*, January 13, 2011; “Police: Dealer shot customer for not paying,” *Daytona Beach News-Journal*, December 12, 2010; “Daytona Beach man, 25, shot to death in car; result of drug deal gone bad,” *nsbnews.net*, December 11, 2010.

Florida

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Trevor Dooley

CONVICTED

Date: September 26, 2010

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On September 26, 2010, concealed handgun permit holder Trevor Dooley, 69, allegedly shot and killed David James, 41, in front of his daughter during an argument following Dooley's confrontation with a teenage boy riding a skateboard on a basketball court across the street from Dooley's home. Dooley, carrying a gun, confronted the youth for breaking the neighborhood's rules. Neighbors said that James, a 20-year Air Force veteran, stood up for the skateboarder, and that the men argued, eventually getting into a physical confrontation. James was playing basketball with his daughter, Danielle, as he did every Sunday. After the shooting, Danielle asked her mother why no one was helping her father. "He already went up to heaven," her mother replied. In news reports, neighbors said that Dooley, a school bus driver, had had prior confrontations with neighborhood kids in the park, with one neighbor stating, "When my son would be down skateboarding, he was always looking on the perimeter—a couple of times he would say some things. But you would never think it would lead to something where he would take a life?" Dooley was charged with manslaughter, improper exhibition of a firearm, and openly carrying a firearm. His bail was set at \$50,000. Neighbor Sam Romano said of the shooting, "It's just really sad and it's stupid. None of it made any sense to any of us."

UPDATE: In March 2011, a civil wrongful death suit was filed against Trevor Dooley by the James family. The suit seeks unspecified damages.

UPDATE: In November 2012, Trevor Dooley was found guilty of manslaughter, improper exhibition of a weapon, and open carrying of a firearm. He faces up to 30 years in prison.

Source: "Jury finds Trevor Dooley guilty in manslaughter case," *Tampa Bay Times*, November 19, 2012; "Wrongful death suit filed against Trevor Dooley," *wtsp.com*, March 21, 2011; "Bail set at \$50,000 for man charged in fatal Valrico shooting," *St. Petersburg Times*, September 29, 2010; "Valrico Shooter Charged With Manslaughter," *St. Petersburg Times*, September 28, 2010; "Deadly Shooting's Aftermath Leaves Valrico Bewildered," *St. Petersburg Times*, September 28, 2010; "Questions surround Valrico shooting," *www.myfoxtampabay.com*, September 27, 2010.

Florida

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Gerardo Regalado

SUICIDE

Date: June 6, 2010

People Killed: 5 (including shooter)

Circumstances: On June 6, 2010, Gerardo Regalado, 38, committed Hialeah, Florida's worst mass shooting: killing four women and wounding three others at the Yoyito Cafe-Restaurant, a well-liked local restaurant. Regalado's target was his estranged wife, Liazan Molina, 24. Armed with a 45 caliber pistol, Regalado fired nine times in a shooting spree that witnesses described as total mayhem. "He came in running, like a crazy man...shooting everybody," screamed one 911 caller, "He came in running and killing." Authorities said that Regalado specifically targeted women and shot them at close range. Regalado killed himself after the shooting. He had a concealed handgun permit—even though relatives described him as "pure evil" with a history of abusing women and having served "hard time" in a Cuban prison.

Source: "Shooter had violent past," *WSVN.com*, June 11, 2010; "In minutes, rage to rampage in Hialeah mass shooting," *The Miami Herald*, June 8, 2010; "Hialeah rampage suspect is half-brother of pitcher 'El Duque' Hernandez," *The Miami Herald*, June 7, 2010.

Florida

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Charles E. Ingram, Robert G. Webster
SHOT AND KILLED DURING INCIDENT

Date: April 28, 2010

People Killed: 2

Circumstances: On April 28, 2010, concealed handgun permit holder Robert G. Webster and his wife were returning home from a visit to the doctor when he got into a confrontation with neighbor and fellow concealed handgun permit holder Charles E. Ingram, 57. According to witnesses, as the argument escalated Webster, age 63, walked out of his yard with a gun at his side and then raised it. Ingram, who had also left his yard, standing in the sidewalk and street, raised his gun as Webster approached. Both men fired at approximately the same time. Webster died at the scene. Ingram died less than a month later from wounds inflicted by Webster. Detectives investigating the shooting concluded that both men might have faced criminal charges had they lived.

Source: "Second Man Dies in April Neighborhood Shooting," *Florida Times-Union*, May 25, 2010.

Florida

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Leonel Marquetti

CONVICTED

Date: March 25, 2010

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On March 25, 2010, concealed handgun permit holder Leonel Marquetti, 51, shot and killed Michael Hurlbutt, 44, after seeing Hurlbutt leaving the house Marquetti had shared with his ex-girlfriend. Marquetti and his girlfriend had recently separated and prosecutors claim Marquetti hounded her with phone calls and questioned the time she spent with Hurlbutt. On the day of the shooting, Marquetti appeared at his ex-girlfriends's home and approached Hurlbutt. Without speaking, he began firing with a semiautomatic handgun, hitting Hurlbutt four times in the chest and back. Marquetti's call to 911 was played at his trial, "I shot a guy by accident....I just got angry. I saw him coming out of my house with my girlfriend and I started shooting." The jury took only 90 minutes to convict Marquetti of first-degree murder.

Source: "Jury finds murder defendant guilty after 90 minute [sic] of deliberations in Tampa," *St. Petersburg Times*, April 21, 2011; "Four shots called an accident," *St. Petersburg Times*, April 20, 2011.

Florida

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Randy Reddick Jr.

UNINTENTIONAL

Date: February 27, 2010

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On February 27, 2010, a 10-year-old boy unintentionally shot and killed his older brother, Randy Reddick, 11, with his father's 40-caliber Glock pistol. The boys' father, Randy Reddick Jr., had forgotten to take his handgun out of the console of his Dodge pickup truck that was parked at the family's Deerfield Beach residence. A neighbor, Spencer Waymen, who was helping unload a moving van across the street, witnessed the shooting. Said Waymen, "Before I could get out of the U-Haul, the gun went off." As he approached the scene, he saw the older boy lying on the ground in a pool of blood with a gunshot wound to the right side of his face. His younger brother jumped out of the truck yelling, "It went off by itself! I killed my brother!" According to news reports, the boys' sister and father raced out of their apartment and became "hysterical." The boys' father had forgotten that he had left the pistol in the truck's unlocked console when he asked the two boys to retrieve his hat and coat from the vehicle's front seat. Randy Reddick Jr., 31, had a valid concealed handgun permit.

Source: "Brother accidentally shoots older brother dead," *digitaljournal.com*, March 1, 2010; "Witness: Young Deerfield brothers were joking, laughing before deadly shooting," *SunSentinel.com*, March 1, 2010.

Florida

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Roger Troy

SUICIDE

Date: February 8, 2010

People Killed: 2 (including shooter)

Circumstances: On February 8, 2010, Alissa Blanton, 23, was shot and killed by concealed handgun permit holder Roger Troy, 61, before Troy shot himself in the head, ending his own life. One week earlier Blanton had sought an emergency order of protection against Troy. The request was denied. The shooting occurred in a business center parking lot outside an AT&T Wireless Call Center in Orlando where both Blanton and her husband of six months, Brent, worked. The newlywed couple had been out for lunch and were returning to work via separate entrances. When Blanton saw Troy approaching, she called her husband on her cell phone for help. When the husband returned, he found Alissa on the ground and began administering cardiopulmonary resuscitation. According to Alissa Blanton's mother, he had just enough time "... to tell her that he loved her." In a 72-page petition for an order of protection presented at an emergency hearing February 1, 2010, Alissa Blanton stated that Troy had been stalking her since 2008 and that he owned several guns. Blanton had first met Troy when she worked as a waitress at a Hooters that year. Troy was a regular and kept trying to touch her. Blanton said she gave Troy her e-mail address after he kept badgering her for her phone number. Subsequent communications from Troy contained "angry rants" about her marriage. During the period prior to the shooting, Troy had showed up at her home, followed her to the beach, and confronted her outside her workplace, blocking in her car. Despite the evidence Blanton presented, Brevard Circuit Judge Dean Moxley denied her request for an emergency injunction.

Source: "Woman killed near UCF had told judge man was stalking her," *TMCnet.com*, February 10, 2010.

Florida

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** James Matthew Menard

CONVICTED

Date: January 1, 2010

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On New Year's Day, concealed handgun permit holder James Matthew Menard, 23, shot and killed 17-year-old high school student Jake Couture. The shooting was the result of a quarrel between two groups of youths following a robbery that may have involved the sale of drugs. Menard and others went to confront the group they suspected of the robbery. Menard allegedly pulled his 40 caliber pistol and fired five times after being shoved by one of the group, one of whom possessed a toy gun that resembled an UZI assault rifle, and stumbling backward over a curb. The shots resulted in Couture's death and the wounding of two others. After the shooting police searched Menard's apartment, where they found three guns—including the 40 caliber pistol. Menard was charged with second degree murder with bond set at three million dollars.

UPDATE: On January 14, 2011, Menard was found guilty of felony murder and armed trespass. He was found not guilty of second-degree murder which required the jury to find Menard had a depraved mind, ill will, spite and hatred when he shot Couture. Instead the jury found Menard guilty of the lesser and included charge of manslaughter. The manslaughter charge is punishable by up to 15 years in prison.

Source: "Jake Couture slaying: James Menard guilty of felony murder, manslaughter," *naplenews.com*, January 14, 2011; "Victim's family happy alleged killer's bond staying at \$3M", *WZVN News*, June 1, 2010; "Court records shed light on Jake Couture killing," *Marconews.com*, May 27, 2010.

Florida

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Jason Rodriguez

CONVICTED

Date: November 6, 2009

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On November 6, 2009, concealed handgun permit holder Jason Rodriguez, 40, shot and killed Otis Beckford, 26, a computer-design technician at the office where Rodriguez formerly worked. At a hearing to assess his competency to stand trial, Rodriguez admitted taking a gun into his former place of employment where he claimed he wanted to talk to a former manager about why he had not received an unemployment check. Rodriguez had been fired from the company in 2007. When asked what happened when he went into the office, Rodriguez claimed that he could not remember and that “I was psychotic. I can’t tell you what happened.” Witnesses said that Rodriguez walked around the office shooting people. He was charged with one count of first-degree murder and five counts of attempted first-degree murder. In October 2013, Rodriguez was ruled competent to stand trial. In December 2013 he was convicted and in January 2014 he was sentenced to six consecutive life sentences.

Source: “Jason Rodriguez gets life sentence for downtown Orlando shooting,” *mynews13.com*, January 9, 2014; “Downtown Orlando shooting suspect Jason Rodriguez competent for trial,” *Orlando Sentinel*, October 28, 2013.

Florida

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Paul Michael Merhige

CONVICTED

Date: November 26, 2009

People Killed: 4

Circumstances: On Thanksgiving Day, November 26, 2009, Paul Michael Merhige opened fire at his family's Thanksgiving dinner shooting six relatives, killing four. The deceased victims were his twin sisters (one of whom was pregnant), his 76-year-old aunt, and a six-year-old cousin. As he left the scene, Merhige was quoted by one witness as saying, "I have been waiting 20 years for this." Merhige then fled, and was featured on "America's Most Wanted." Merhige bought two pistols and a rifle the day before the shooting according to the gun shop owner who sold them to him. Merhige had a concealed handgun permit.

UPDATE: On October 28, 2011, Paul Michael Merhige, 37, pled guilty in the deaths of four family members on Thanksgiving 2009 and was sentenced to seven consecutive life sentences. The father of one of the victims begged the judge not to accept the deal, which allowed Merhige to escape the death penalty, falling to his knees as he addressed the judge before being ordered off the ground by deputies. The judge in the case said the life sentences were the strongest he could impose, telling Merhige, "You'll never see the light of day."

Source: "'You'll never see the light of day': Thanksgiving Day killer who murdered four relatives is handed seven life sentences by sickened judge," *The Daily Mail*, October 28, 2011; "Thanksgiving Massacre Gun Bought in Fort Lauderdale: Merhige bought three guns a day before killing four family members," *NBC Miami*, December 4, 2009; "4 Killed at Dinner; Florida Police Seek Gunman," *New York Times*, November 28, 2009.

Florida

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Unidentified

UNINTENTIONAL

Date: October 19, 2009

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On October 19, 2009, Latrecia Levine was shot and killed at The Allied Veterans Cyber Center Internet Café when a man's handgun fell out of his waistband, hit the floor and discharged, striking her in the back. The shooter, who had a concealed handgun permit, apparently had ignored a sign on the door that included firearms among the items prohibited from inside the business. Additional signs inside the café said that no firearms were allowed on the property. No charges were immediately filed in the case, but the police characterized it as an "active ongoing investigation."

Source: "New Info in Internet Café Shooting," *wokv.com*, October 23, 2009; "Woman Killed in Cyber Café Identified," *news4jax.com*, October 22, 2009; "No charges filed against man when gun went off at Jacksonville business, killing woman," *jacksonville.com*, October 22, 2009.

Florida

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Lenin Florian

CONVICTED

Date: August 24, 2009

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On August 24, 2009, concealed handgun permit holder Lenin Florian, 26, shot and killed David Hernandez, 33, with a revolver. According to prosecutors, Florian was dating the mother of Hernandez's two children. The Fort Myers police say that Hernandez, accompanied by his mother, was picking up his son, age nine, and daughter, age seven, at a school bus stop outside an apartment building on the first day of school. Florian arrived and an argument ensued with Hernandez, ending with Florian shooting Hernandez in the chest. Numerous bystanders were at the shooting, including Hernandez's children, schoolchildren on the school bus, and the mother of Hernandez's children—who was reportedly dating Florian and was in his car during the confrontation. Those close to Hernandez's children told reporters that they would never forget the youngsters' cries for help as they sat in a police car as their father died: "She was just crying, saying 'daddy, daddy, daddy,'" said one witness. Another witness added, "He got killed in front of his family, his mom, his kids, you know—in broad daylight in front of everyone." According to prosecutors, the two men had argued previously—apparently over visitation rights—and Florian decided to get a concealed handgun permit and arm himself. According to news reports, "Florian told police that he was sorry, that he didn't know how to fight and this was how he had to deal with the situation." On August 31, 2011, Florian was convicted of manslaughter. On October 11, 2011, he was sentenced to 15 years in prison with credit for two years served. At sentencing, the judge stated, "It's amazing how quickly people's lives can change in a matter of a few moments. I don't believe this was planned. I think it was very quick....But I do believe Mr. Florian took someone's life needlessly. He didn't have to do what he did."

Source: "Killer gets 15 years in death of Fort Myers man," *The Fort Meyers News-Press*, October 10, 2011; "Man convicted in shooting," *The Fort Myers News-Press*, August 31, 2011; "Police: Children may have witnessed fatal shooting," *nbc-2.com*, August 24, 2009.

Florida

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Humberto Delgado, Jr.

CONVICTED

Date: August 19, 2009

People Killed: 1

Law Enforcement Officers Killed: 1

Circumstances: Humberto Delgado Jr., 34, allegedly shot and killed 11-year Tampa police veteran Corporal Mike Roberts after the officer responded to a suspicious person call. Delgado was pushing a shopping cart which turned out to be filled with military gear, a Kel-Tec assault rifle, a Taurus .45 pistol, and a .22 revolver. He also had a Glock 17 pistol in a backpack. When Corporal Roberts tried to question Delgado, a struggle ensued and Roberts was shot while on his back. Although Corporal Roberts was wearing body armor, a bullet struck him in an unprotected area and entered his chest. Delgado had been a law enforcement officer in the Virgin Islands for four years until 2000 and had served in the U.S. Army. He had a concealed handgun permit issued in North Carolina. Florida has reciprocity with North Carolina. A search of Delgado's storage unit uncovered another firearm, a laser sight, a copy of *Shooter's Bible*, and a certificate for completion of a firearms safety course. Delgado faces charges of premeditated murder and aggravated assault on a law enforcement officer.

UPDATE: On November 15, 2011, Delgado was found guilty of first-degree murder in the death of Corporal Mike Roberts. He was sentenced to death on February 11, 2012.

UPDATE: On April 23, 2015, The Florida Supreme Court overturned Delgado's death sentence and ordered his case back before the trial judge in order to impose a life sentence.

Source: "Delgado's death sentence reduced to life in Tampa officer's slaying," *Tampa Tribune*, April 23, 2015; "Jury finds Humberto Delgado Jr. guilty of murdering Tampa police officer," *tampabay.com*, November 15, 2011; "'Not guilty' plea in killing," *tampabay.com*, September 14, 2009; "Documents show Delgado had more weapons, Police: accused killer had 'Shooter's Bible' too," *myfoxtampabay.com*, September 1, 2009; "Tampa officer was on his back when shot dead," *tampabay.com*, August, 31, 2009; "Accused police killer: who is he?," *10connects.com*, August, 21, 2009; North Carolina Statute 14-415.11; North Carolina Department of Justice, Concealed Weapons Reciprocity.

Florida

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Unidentified

UNINTENTIONAL

Date: February 1, 2009

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On February 1, 2009, Jason Lee Gilmore Jr., 11, was unintentionally shot by an unidentified nine-year-old friend who was playing with a loaded Glock .40 pistol. The handgun was reported stolen on January 11, 2009 from a car parked in West Palm Beach. The owner of the Glock had received his concealed weapons permit a week earlier and had just bought the gun. He left the gun in his car overnight and a burglar broke into the car and stole it. Police were investigating how the boys got the gun.

Source: "Boy was playing with gun before shooting friend," *Palm Beach Post*, February 3, 2009.

Florida

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Andrew Sherman Conley

CONVICTED

Date: October 24, 2008

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On October 24, 2008, Andrew Sherman Conley was showing his girlfriend, assistant public defender Theresa Anderson, a .22 handgun when the weapon went off, the bullet striking her in the chest. She was treated by paramedics but died at the scene. Conley, who considered himself an “amateur gunsmith,” had attended a firearms safety course in 2005 and had a concealed handgun permit. Conley told deputies his girlfriend had encouraged him to take the safety course after a previous incident in which he had accidentally fired into the bed in the master bedroom. Conley pleaded no contest to manslaughter and was sentenced to 13 years in prison.

Source: “Live-in boyfriend gets 13 years after fatal shooting of assistant public defender,” *The Orlando Sentinel*, November 9, 2009; “Seminole Deputies: It was her boyfriend’s fault,” *The Orlando Sentinel*, November 4, 2008; “Trial in manslaughter case set for Feb. 23,” *The Orlando Sentinel*, December 5, 2008.

Florida

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** James Wonder

PENDING

Date: August 5, 2008

Total Killed: 1

Law Enforcement Officers Killed: 1

Circumstances: On August 5, 2008, James Wonder, 65, allegedly shot and killed U.S. Customs and Border Protection Agent Donald Pettit, 52, after a road-rage incident. After the two got into a shouting and finger-pointing match while driving, Wonder pulled into a post office parking lot, Pettit followed and was shot and killed. After the shooting, Wonder sped away to a kidney dialysis appointment where he told a nurse that whomever had killed the agent must have been a “professional.” He then went home, hid the gun, changed his hair color, and rented a car to reportedly hide his involvement in the shooting. Wonder, who had a concealed handgun permit, has been indicted on manslaughter charges.

UPDATE: In November 2012, a judge denied a motion to dismiss the manslaughter charge against James Wonder based on Florida’s “Stand Your Ground” law. In his decision the judge wrote, “The Court finds that Wonder unreasonably assumed that Pettit was a thug and Pettit, although angry and yelling at Wonder, made no physical threats or verbal statement what could be reasonably interpreted to indicate that violence was imminent.”

Source: “Judge Denies “Stand Your Ground” Motion in Road Rage Shooting,” *miami.cbslocal.com*, November 15, 2012; “Police: Suspect in agent’s killing told nurses of road rage argument: Police: Suspect in federal agent’s killing described a road rage fight,” *South Florida Sun-Sentinel*, August 21, 2008; “Man charged in agent’s road rage killing out on bail; A Broward retiree who was charged in the death of a customs agent paid bail and was released from jail on Friday,” *Miami Herald*, August 30, 2008.

Florida

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** William Garrido

CONVICTED

Date: July 3, 2008

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On July 3, 2008, William Garrido confessed to shooting and killing fellow cab driver Josue Reyes. Garrido allegedly shot Reyes in the parking lot of the Bass Museum of Art in Miami Beach following a confrontation. Reyes then tried to run away, but Garrido shot him a second time, in the back, causing him to collapse and die beside a parking meter. Garrido and Reyes had been arguing for the last three weeks. Garrido told police that in the lot, stepping out of his cab, he took out his six-shot revolver with the intention of killing Reyes. Garrido had a concealed handgun permit despite having pled no contest in 1997 to charges of aggravated assault with a weapon and being sentenced to two months in jail and a year of probation. Garrido was charged with second-degree murder in the shooting of Reyes.

UPDATE: On December 28, 2011, the Third District Court of Appeal for the State of Florida upheld William Garrido's conviction and sentence for second degree murder. Garrido had appealed, alleging that the trial court had erred in the manslaughter instruction given to the jury.

Source: *William Garrido v. State of Florida*, No. 3D10-722, (Fla. Dist. Ct. App., Dec. 28, 2011); "Murder charge for cabbie; a Miami Beach cab driver was arrested and charged with first-degree murder in the death of another cab driver," *The Miami Herald*, July 5, 2008; "Blood Beach: The Murder Rate in Miami Beach Pushes a Record for This Decade," *www.miamisunpost.com*, September 18, 2008.

Florida

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Dam Lopez

CONVICTED

Date: March 22, 2008

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On March 22, 2008, Dam Lopez allegedly shot and killed his girlfriend Andrea Anzola Villafrade while they were staying at a hotel with another couple. According to news reports, Lopez originally claimed that he was just standing in front of his girlfriend and did not know that the gun discharged, but a Monroe County Medical Examiner's report concluded Lopez had stood behind Villafrade, his right arm wrapped around her side while he reached over with his left arm and placed the barrel of his gun to her ribs, right below her breast. According to an arrest warrant, Villafrade said, "Damian, don't play like that," immediately before being shot. Lopez, who had a concealed handgun permit, was charged with negligent manslaughter.

UPDATE: On July 26, 2010, Dam Lopez pleaded guilty to manslaughter. He was sentenced on August 20, 2010, to 30 months in prison, and will be on probation for eight years following his prison term.

Source: "Man gets 2.5 years for killing girlfriend," *Florida Keys Keynoter*, October 2, 2010; "Man charged in gun death," *Sun-Sentinel*, October 2, 2008; "Single gunshot killed Deerfield woman," *The Miami Herald*, March 24, 2008.

Florida

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Arthur Burroughs

SUICIDE

Date: March 8, 2008

People Killed: 2 (including shooter)

Circumstances: On March 8, 2008, Christine Burroughs, naked and covered with blood, ran to neighbor Alice and Lance Lather's house seeking refuge from her enraged husband, Arthur Burroughs. Burroughs followed his wife to the home, fatally shooting Lance Lather. Burroughs then barricaded himself in the neighbors' bathroom with his wife. A SWAT team and hostage negotiator were called to the house. Burroughs eventually shot and killed himself. Christine Burroughs had previously told Alice Lather that her husband wanted to kill her because she wanted a divorce. Burroughs had been previously employed in loss prevention and security for T.J. Maxx and had possessed a concealed handgun permit since at least 1999.

Source: "Domestic Dispute Spurred Shooter," *Palm Beach Post*, March 10, 2008.

Florida

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Tony Villegas

INCOMPETENT TO STAND TRIAL

Date: March 5, 2008

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On March 5, 2008, Tony Villegas allegedly strangled Melissa Britt Lewis after a struggle ensued in her garage. Her body was found in a canal two days later. Lewis was the best friend of Villegas' estranged wife, and had been supportive of her efforts to end the abusive relationship with Villegas. Villegas had possessed a concealed handgun permit since 2000. Villegas was indicted on a charge of premeditated first-degree murder.

UPDATE: In May 2010 Villegas was deemed incompetent to stand trial and was transferred to a mental health facility run by the Department of Children and Families. By law, if Villegas' mental health does not improve in five years, the first-degree murder charge against him must be dropped. According to a news report, "The current focus on Tony's sanity is not entirely surprising. Tony's diary from the months leading up to Melissa's death suggests that he was struggling to keep it together. His entries were disjointed and difficult to decipher, scribbled at random on a day planner."

Source: "Tony Villegas Deemed Incompetent; Murder Case Stalled," *Broward-Palm Beach New Times*, May 4, 2010; "Arrest made in slaying of attorney; Suspect is estranged husband of the victim's best friend," *Sun-Sentinel*, March 16, 2008; "Lawyer: Suspect in Attorney's Killing Framed; Police Say Woman Strangled by Best Friend's Estranged Husband," *www.justnews.com*, March 17, 2008; "Suspect indicted in Ft. Lauderdale lawyer's murder," *Miami Herald*, March 26, 2008.

Florida

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Paul Kallenbach

CONVICTED

Date: February 2008

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: In February 2008, Paul Kallenbach shot and killed Jon Teko Howard following an argument at a convenience store. After a verbal dispute, Kallenbach, who was armed with two pistols, pulled one of them on Howard who then began backing out of the store before lunging to try and disarm Kallenbach. A struggle ensued and Howard managed to wrestle one pistol away from Kallenbach. Howard was shot in the arm and back, and returned fire on Kallenbach, wounding him in the shoulder and leg. Howard was pronounced dead at the scene and Kallenbach was taken to the hospital for treatment. Kallenbach had a concealed weapon permit and told police he felt safer when he was carrying guns. Police had confiscated several firearms and hundreds of rounds of ammunition from Kallenbach six months prior to the shooting, but a judge returned the weapons in November 2007. Kallenbach pled guilty to second degree murder and was sentenced to 18 years in prison.

Source: "A sobering picture of crime; Homicides doubled last year and county is on track to match that in '08," *Sarasota Herald-Tribune*, April 15, 2008; "Fatal shootout brings 18-year term," *HeraldTribune.com*, December 12, 2008; "Death at a convenience store," *Sarasota Herald-Tribune*, December 13, 2008.

Florida

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Michael Leopold Phillips

SUICIDE

Date: January 19, 2008

People Killed: 2 (including shooter)

Circumstances: On January 19, 2008, Michael Leopold Phillips shot and killed his wife, Josefina Boza, before turning the gun on himself. Both were shot in the head and a police investigation determined the shooting to be a murder-suicide. Phillips' arrest record showed three charges since 1988 of domestic battery or assault on a spouse. From 1988 through 1990, one of Phillips' ex-wives was granted injunctions for protection against domestic violence. Phillips obtained a concealed handgun permit in 1999 and renewed it in 2006.

Source: "Murder, Suicide Cited in Deaths," *Palm Beach Post*, January 21, 2008.

Florida

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Adam Hill

INCOMPETENT TO STAND TRIAL

Date: January 7, 2008

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On January 7, 2008, Adam Hill allegedly shot and killed Clayton Patterson as Patterson sat on the couch in a friend's apartment. An eyewitness told police that Hill entered the apartment, pulled out a revolver, and pointed it. Hill then said, "Hey Clayton, you want to get shot?" Hill had a history of mental illness and owned several guns. Two years prior to his obtaining a concealed handgun permit, Hill was arrested for carrying a concealed weapon. He failed to show up for court, but the case was dismissed. Hill obtained a concealed handgun permit in 2007. Hill was charged with second degree murder.

UPDATE: On August 21, 2013, Judge Michael Traynor deemed Adam Hill incompetent to stand trial for the death of Clayton Patterson. The judge ruled that Hill "is a danger to himself and/or others as a result of his mental illness and, therefore, requires involuntary hospitalization." Hill will remain in the custody of the Florida Department of Children and Families as long as the court feels he is a danger to himself or others.

Source: "Man charged in 2008 murder found incompetent, put in care of DCF," *St. Augustine Record*, August 27, 2013; "Family Says Gun Laws are Flawed," *firstcoastnews.com*, May 21, 2009.

Florida

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Guillermo Zarabozo

CONVICTED

Date: September 2007

People Killed: 4

Circumstances: On September 22, 2007, Guillermo Zarabozo and Kirby Archer hired Jake Branam, captain of the 47-foot charter boat *Joe Cool*, his wife and mother of his two children Kelley Branam, and crew mates Scott Gamble and Samuel Kairy to take them from Miami Beach to Bimini in the Bahamas. When the boat did not return to Florida, the Coast Guard was contacted and they found the *Joe Cool* abandoned roughly 30 miles north of Cuba. Zarabozo and Archer were found the next morning on an inflatable lifeboat about 12 miles away from the *Joe Cool*. Zarabozo claimed that Cuban hijackers had seized the boat at sea and killed the crew. Archer eventually confessed to killing the Branams on the fly bridge of the boat while Zarabozo killed Gamble and Kairy in the cabin below. Zarabozo worked for private investigation and security companies and had a concealed handgun permit. Four days before chartering the *Joe Cool*, Zarabozo was accepted as an applicant to become a Miami-Dade police officer. Zarabozo was found guilty of the four murders and sentenced to five consecutive terms of life imprisonment and an additional 85 years imprisonment to be served consecutively to the life sentences for the first-degree murders of the crew of the *Joe Cool*.

Source: "Information Issued by U.S. Attorney's Office for Southern District of Florida on May 6: Defendant Sentenced on Murder Charges in Connection with Joe Cool Voyage," (May 6, 2009, Press Release), *U.S. Fed News*, May 18, 2009; "Joe Cool defendant had applied to become a Miami-Dade cop," *Miami Herald*, September 17, 2008; "Joe Cool suspect gullible, jury told," *Miami Herald*, September 16, 2008; "High seas mystery full of twists, contradictions," *Associated Press*, October 15, 2007; "Lost at sea," *Newsweek*, September 28, 2007.

Florida

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Antonia Olo Duran

SUICIDE

Date: May 8, 2007

People Killed: 2

Circumstances: On May 8, 2007, concealed handgun permit holder Antonio Olo Duran, 40, shot and killed Richard Scoggins, 39, and then took his own life. According to press reports Maria Bautista, 44, her former boyfriend Duran, and her current boyfriend Scoggins, 39, were “in a love triangle of sorts.” The three had eaten dinner together, had some drinks, and were working on the mobile home where Bautista lived. Duran then made several trips to the bathroom in a short period of time and “started acting erratically.” Following the fourth and final visit to the bathroom he began arguing with Scoggins about “past relationships.” The argument continued outside where Duran pulled out a silver and black semiautomatic handgun and fatally shot Scoggins in the head. As Bautista attempted to help Scoggins, Duran struggled with her. He then put the handgun in his mouth. As Bautista attempted to pull it out he pulled the trigger, killing himself.

Source: “Fight leaves 2 men dead,” *Tampa Tribune*, May 10, 2007.

Georgia

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Faruk Fadesire

CONVICTED

Date: October 24, 2020

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On October 24, 2020, concealed carry permit holder Faruk Fadesire, 26, shot and killed Mikfeesha Dotson, 42, inside a hotel room. A witness told police that Dotson came to Fadesire's room at the Scottish Inn to use drugs, but as soon as she sat down, Fadesire opened fire and left the room. Officers found Dotson dead at the scene with gunshot wounds to her head, chest, and hand. Fadesire was arrested three weeks later and police recovered a handgun that was later determined to be a match for the bullet casings found at the murder scene. In October 2023, Fadesire was convicted of malice murder, felony murder, aggravated assault, and possession of a firearm during the commission of a felony. Fadesire was sentenced to life in prison plus five years.

Sources: "Clarkston man found guilty in murder at Stone Mountain hotel," *On Common Ground News*, October 19, 2023.

Georgia

Concealed Handgun Permit Holder: Hannah Payne

CONVICTED

Date: May 7, 2019

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On May 7, 2019, concealed handgun permit holder Hannah Payne, 21, allegedly shot and killed Kenneth Herring, 62, following a traffic accident which Payne witnessed but was not involved in. According to police, Payne witnessed an accident between Herring and another driver. Herring left the scene of the accident and the other driver reported it to police. No one was injured and the car sustained minor damage. Payne followed Herring approximately a mile from the scene of the accident before using her Jeep to block the path of his pickup truck. According to police, “An altercation then ensued between the two of them and, during the altercation, Mr. Herring was shot and killed.”

UPDATE: Payne was charged with two counts of felony murder, one count of malice murder, aggravated assault, and false imprisonment, and three counts of weapons possession during the commission of a crime in the shooting death of Kenneth Herring. A trial date was originally set for December 9, 2019, but was delayed multiple times with the most recent trial date set for March 9, 2021.

UPDATE: In December 2023, Payne was convicted of felony murder, malice murder, aggravated assault, false imprisonment, and three charges of weapons possession during a crime. She was sentenced to life in prison with the possibility of parole plus eight and five years to be served consecutively.

Source: “Hannah Payne sentenced to life for murder of man during citizen’s arrest,” *fox5atlanta.com*, December 15, 2023; “Hannah Payne murder trial delayed again; was set for March 9,” *news-daily.com*, April 8, 2021; “Armed woman witnessed accident, followed victim, police say,” *news-daily.com*, May 8, 2019.

Georgia

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Brenton Rhasheem Davis

PENDING

Date: November 21, 2018

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On November 21, 2018, concealed handgun permit holder Brenton Rhasheem Davis, 24, allegedly shot and killed Tommy Jones III, 19, with a 9mm handgun in the parking lot of a Walgreens in Columbus, Georgia. Witnesses say they saw Davis and Jones enter the store together. When they left toward the parking lot, Jones ran from Davis who then allegedly shot Jones in the leg and back. Davis then walked up to Jones, who had collapsed, and allegedly fired more shots. Jones was shot at least four times. Nine shell casing from the 9mm handgun were found at the scene. A witness added that Davis then picked up a bag Jones had been carrying and then fled the scene. It is unknown what was inside the bag. Jones had gone to the store to meet Davis in order to buy a 45-caliber handgun from him. The two men did not previously know each other. Davis was charged with one count of murder.

UPDATE: On November 30, 2018, Brenton Rhasheem Davis pleaded not guilty to murder in the death of Tommy Jones III.

Sources: "Man accused of murder outside Columbus Walgreen's store pleads not guilty," *wrbl.com*, December 1, 2018; "Shooting erupts over gun sale in Walgreens parking lot, police say," *ledger-enquirer.com*, November 30, 2018.

Georgia

■ **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Claud “Tex” McIver

CONVICTED

Date: September 25, 2016

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On September 25, 2016, concealed handgun permit holder Claud “Tex” McIver, 73, allegedly shot and killed his wife Diane McIver, 63, inside their Ford Expedition SUV. McIver claimed the shooting was unintentional, with one of his lawyers saying the couple had pulled off the highway to avoid traffic while traveling around Atlanta. The lawyer claimed McIver had been sleeping in the back seat and saw people milling about in the street. He then asked his wife to get his gun from the center console of the SUV and fell back asleep while holding the gun in his lap. “I was suddenly awoken,” he told the *Atlanta Journal Constitution*. “I lurched and the gun fired.” McIver was initially charged with involuntary manslaughter and reckless conduct. On April 27, 2017, McIver was indicted on murder charges after further investigation by prosecutors, who became convinced the shooting was not unintentional. According to court documents, McIver instructed Patricia “Dani Jo” Carter, a friend of his wife who was driving the SUV when the shooting occurred, to tell police that she was not there. McIver also left a voicemail with Carter’s husband asking him to stop his wife from “communicating her recollections of the facts and circumstances of the death of Diane McIver to law enforcement officers, because said statements placed the defendant at imminent risk of immediate incarceration.” He also asked Carter to then delete the voicemail. The indictment also alleges that McIver told Bill Crane, who was acting as a spokesman for him after the shooting, to retract a statement he made to the media. In the statement, Crane had said that when the McIvers pulled off the highway, Tex McIver feared they had happened upon a Black Lives Matter protest, which was why he had pulled out the gun. Crane also said the gun had gone off after the SUV hit a bump. McIver was charged with malice murder, felony murder, and five other counts, including attempting to unlawfully influence witnesses in the case.

UPDATE: On April 23, 2018, Claud “Tex” McIver was found guilty of felony murder, aggravated assault, possession of a firearm, and witness influencing. The felony murder charge carries a mandatory sentence of life in prison.

Sources: “Tex McIver guilty of felony murder, other charges,” *Atlanta Journal-Constitution*, April 23, 2018; “Tex McIver charged with wife’s murder,” *Atlanta Journal-Constitution*, April 27, 2017; “A gun found in his Atlanta condo, Tex McIver is jailed,” *Atlanta Journal Constitution*, April 26, 2017; “Atlanta lawyer’s bail set at \$200,000 in wife’s shooting,” *www.cnn.com*, December 22, 2016.

Georgia

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Glenn Patrick Lampien

CONVICTED

Date: August 16, 2014

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On August 16, 2014, concealed handgun permit holder Glenn Patrick Lampien, 53, allegedly shot and killed May Araim, 68, as she walked down North Main Street in the “faux-Alpine village” resort town of Helen, Georgia. Lampien’s handgun apparently fired unintentionally, with a round wounding his hand before striking and killing Araim as she walked with several of her relatives. Lampien was charged with involuntary manslaughter.

UPDATE: On January 17, 2017, Glenn Patrick Lampien was found guilty of two counts of involuntary manslaughter in the death of May Araim.

Source: “Jasper man found guilty of involuntary manslaughter in 2014 incident in Helen,” *wrwh.com*, January 18, 2017; “Helen group asks to place memorial to shooting victim,” *accessnorthga.com*, September 17, 2014; “Victim of Helen shooting was visiting before trip to native Iraq,” *Atlanta Journal-Constitution*, August 19, 2014.

Georgia

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Michael Dewayne Bowman

CONVICTED

Date: May 31, 2014

People Killed: 1

Law Enforcement Officers Killed: 1

Circumstances: On May 31, 2014, concealed handgun permit holder Michael Dewayne Bowman, 30, allegedly shot and killed Griffin Police Officer Kevin Jordan, 43, who was working an off-duty security job in uniform at a Waffle House restaurant. According to police, Bowman was drunk when he and his girlfriend Chantell Mixon, 28, entered the Waffle House after 2 AM on the morning of May 31, 2014. According to police, Bowman and Mixon caused a disturbance and were asked to leave the restaurant. An altercation spilled into the parking lot where Officer Jordan attempted to arrest Mixon. Officer Jordan, a father of seven, was on the ground attempting to restrain Mixon when Bowman allegedly shot him multiple times in the back. Officer Jordan's brother Raymond, who was visiting from Illinois then shot Bowman, who was taken to the hospital in stable condition. Raymond Jordan also had a concealed carry permit. Bowman and Mixon were charged with felony murder.

UPDATE: On February 16, 2017, Michael Bowman was found guilty but mentally ill in the death of Griffin police officer Kevin Jordan. The next day he was sentenced to life in prison without parole.

Source: "Former soldier gets life without parole for murdering police officer," *The Atlanta Journal-Constitution*, February 17, 2017; "Griffin Tragedy; Drunk and armed at 2 a.m.," *The Atlanta Journal-Constitution*, June 8, 2014; "Funeral next Monday for slain Griffin police officer," *The Atlanta Journal-Constitution*, June 2, 2014.

Georgia

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Quintavious Judon

CONVICTED

Date: April 23, 2014

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On April 23, 2014, concealed handgun permit holder Quintavious Judon, 26, allegedly shot and killed a suspected car thief. Judon was sitting in Fletcher's Restaurant in DeKalb County, Georgia, when he saw a man entering Judon's car in the parking lot. According to the police, Judon went outside to confront the man and fired shots, hitting the suspected thief. Georgia law forbids the use of deadly force to protect property. The wounded man tried to flee the scene in his own vehicle but crashed in the parking lot and later died in the hospital. Police did not immediately release the name of the deceased man. Judon has been charged with murder.

UPDATE: On February 24, 2015, Quintavious Judon was convicted of voluntary manslaughter.

Source: "Case Information, The State of Georgia v. Quintavious Q. Judon," *ody.dekalbcountyga.gov*, downloaded March 20, 2017; "Man facing murder charges after shooting alleged car thief," *MyFoxAtlanta*, April 24, 2014.

Georgia

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Henry Harlan Wooten

SUICIDE

Date: March 10, 2013

People Killed: 2 (including shooter)

Circumstances: On March 10, 2013, concealed handgun permit holder Henry Harlan Wooten, 70, shot and killed his longtime companion Kay Cornell Janus, 72, in the garage of her house before turning the gun on himself in the middle of the cul-de-sac where she lived. According to a neighbor, the couple had recently split up and Wooten was facing health and financial difficulties. The neighbor stated that Wooten often carried his gun in his truck, and the neighbor warned him that the “gun is ultimately going to cause more harm than good. Chances are you are going to use it against someone you know.”

Source: “Police say Marietta shootings were likely a murder-suicide,” *mdjonline.com*, March 11, 2013

Georgia

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Herbert Lowe

CONVICTED

Date: January 29, 2013

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On January 29, 2013, concealed handgun permit holder Herbert Lowe, 61, shot and killed his ex-girlfriend Lisa Marie Davis, 49, at her home after she asked him to move out. Davis' friend Velinsa Johnson was also in the home at the time of the shooting and was held hostage by Lowe for four hours. According to prosecutors, Lowe saw Johnson looking at him following the shooting and chased her into a bedroom saying "I should kill you too," as Johnson was pleading for her life. Lowe eventually left the house, telling Johnson to wait 10 minutes before calling 911 so the police wouldn't come after him. Lowe claimed self-defense in the case, but Davis was unarmed and preparing lunch in her kitchen when she was shot twice and killed. In June 2014, Lowe was convicted of felony murder, false imprisonment, and two counts each of aggravated assault and possession of a firearm during the commission of a crime. He faces a mandatory minimum sentence of life in prison with the possibility of parole.

Source: "Lowe faces life in prison for killing girlfriend in 2013," *Clayton News Daily*, August 15, 2014; "Man held woman hostage after shooting, says prosecutor," *Clayton News Daily*, June 11, 2014.

Georgia

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Javaris Crittenton

CONVICTED

Date: August 19, 2011

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On August 19, 2011, concealed handgun permit holder Javaris Crittenton, 23, allegedly killed Julian Jones, 22 years old and a mother of four, in a drive-by shooting with an assault rifle in downtown Atlanta. Police stated that they did not believe Jones was the intended victim of the shooting. Crittenton was a former National Basketball Association player who played two seasons in the league, his career ending after a gun incident in the locker room of the Washington Wizards. Crittenton, along with then-Wizard Gilbert Arenas, was suspended by the NBA for bringing guns into the locker room in the wake of a prior dispute with Arenas. Both were suspended by the NBA for the remainder of that season and Crittenton eventually pleaded guilty to a criminal charge resulting in probation for one year. In September 2011, Crittenton was released from jail on \$230,000 bond while awaiting trial for murder.

UPDATE: On April 2, 2013, Crittenton was indicted on murder charges in the death of Julian Jones.

UPDATE: On April 29, 2015, Javaris Crittenton pleaded guilty to manslaughter and aggravated assault in the death of Julian Jones during an attempt to shoot a rival gang member. Crittenton was sentenced to 23 years in prison. Crittenton also admitted to being a member of the Mansfield Gangster Crips.

Source: "Javaris Crittenton pleads guilty to manslaughter, gets 23-year term," *espn.com*, April 29, 2015; "Former NBA player Javaris Crittenton indicted on murder charges," *al.com*, April 2, 2013; "Ex-NBA player Crittenton released from jail on murder charge," *www.reuters.com*, September 28, 2011.

Georgia

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Ardese Day

CONVICTED

Date: May 21, 2011

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On May 21, 2011, concealed handgun permit holder Ardese Day, 22, allegedly shot and killed childhood friend George C. McGhee, 28, with a 38 caliber revolver while watching an NBA playoff game between the Dallas Mavericks and the Oklahoma City Thunder with two other friends. According to investigators, Day unholstered the handgun while sitting on a couch after it began pressing into his hip. Both McGhee and Day then handled the loaded weapon, which discharged as Day handed it to McGhee. As McGhee staggered back, clutching his chest with both hands, Day initially thought he was “joking around.” Day, charged with involuntary manslaughter and reckless conduct, posted bond of \$3,500 and was released from the Muscogee County Jail. Sheila Mullen, a friend of McGhee, thought that the bond was too low, stating, “When you purchase a gun, you purchase that responsibility.”

UPDATE: On August 13, 2012, Ardese Day pleaded guilty to one count of involuntary manslaughter in the death of George C. McGhee. Day was sentenced to 10 years of probation and 250 hours of community service.

Source: “Man pleads guilty to involuntary manslaughter,” *Columbus Ledger Enquirer*, August 13, 2012; “Columbus man released on bond in accidental shooting of friend, *Ledger-Inquirer.com*, May 28, 2011.

Georgia

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Charles Johnston

CONVICTED

Date: March 27, 2008

People Killed: 3

Circumstances: On March 27, 2008, former substitute teacher and concealed handgun permit holder Charles Johnston entered Doctors Hospital in Columbus, Georgia, carrying three handguns: a .32, a 380, and a 9mm. Johnson, apparently angered over the care his mother had received while she was in the hospital, came looking for a nurse he knew only as "Pete." Traveling up to the fifth floor intensive care unit where his mother had been treated in 2004 before she died of natural causes, Johnston followed nurse Peter D. Wright after hearing his name called out and shot him in the head and chest, killing him. While leaving the hospital, Johnston shot and killed a 44-year-old administrative assistant. Before leaving the hospital grounds, Johnston shot 76-year-old James David Baker, who had pulled into a parking space facing Johnston's car. Johnston shot Baker in the head as he got out of his car, perhaps believing him to be a police officer. A plainclothes detective shot Johnston in the shoulder moments later and he was arrested. Johnston was charged with three counts of murder, four counts of aggravated assault on an officer, one count of aggravated assault on a civilian, and one count of possession of a firearm in the commission of a crime.

UPDATE: In June 2009, Charles Johnston pled guilty to the murders of Peter Wright, James Baker, and Leslie Harris. In court, Johnston stated, "I had 72 rounds. I was going to spray the entire 5th floor. I was just that angry." According to Johnston's public defender, "He has remorse for the 2nd and 3rd victim that he killed..but has no remorse for killing nurse Wright. He intended to kill him."

Source: "Charles Johnston pleads guilty," www.wtvm.com, date unknown; "Ga. Town Reeling From Hospital Slayings," *Associated Press* via www.foxnews.com, March 28, 2008; "Information Released About The Weapons Used in Doctor's Hospital Shooting," www.wtvm.com, March 28, 2008.

Idaho

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Scott M. White

CONVICTED

Date: February 24, 2019

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On February 24, 2019, concealed handgun permit holder Scott. M. White, 33, allegedly shot and killed Michael C. “Topher” Clark, 45, with a handgun in the parking lot of the Topsy Pine Bar in Hayden, Idaho. Witnesses say White entered the bar and loudly sang along to the music he played on the jukebox. Clark, who frequented the bar, asked him “What’s your problem?” several times and then advised him to go home. The two men then got into a fight during which White punched Clark in the face. Clark then followed White outside the bar where the two men fought again. White then stood up and allegedly shot Clark, who was still on the ground, several times at close range. Clark died an hour later after being rushed to Kootenai Health. When police arrived, White told detectives that he always carries a concealed handgun and his firearms training taught him to shoot until the threat was “stopped.” Five shell casings were found at the scene and medical reports showed that Clark was shot six times. White’s bar tab showed that he had multiple drinks and he later told police he had several beers before going to the bar. Almost two hours after the shooting, White had a blood alcohol content of .228. His criminal record included two DUIs and driving without privileges. White was charged with first degree murder, with bond set at \$1 million because of the nature of the crime, the number of shots fired, and White’s history of alcohol abuse.

UPDATE: In December 2019, Scott M. White pleaded guilty to second-degree murder in the death of Michael “Topher” Clark. In March 2020, White was sentenced to at least 25 years in prison.

Sources: “Coeur D’Alene man sentenced 25 to life after fatal bar fight,” *Associated Press*, March 14, 2020; “Man who pulled gun during Hayden bar fight pleads guilty to murder,” *spokesman.com*, December 23, 2019; “Bond set for suspected shooter in deadly fight,” *bonnercountydailybee.com*, February 25, 2019.

Idaho

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Veronica Rutledge

UNINTENTIONAL

Date: December 30, 2014

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On December 30, 2014, concealed handgun permit holder Veronica Rutledge, 29, was unintentionally shot and killed by her two-year-old son while shopping in a Walmart store. Rutledge was shopping with her son and three young nieces when her son, who was sitting in a shopping cart, reached into her purse and unintentionally fired the gun one time, striking her in the head and killing her. According to Rutledge's father-in-law, she had a 9mm Smith & Wesson pistol tucked into a purse specifically designed for concealed carry which she had just received as a Christmas gift. Rutledge's family said that she had completed training and understood gun safety. Rutledge's concealed carry permit was issued in the state of Washington. According to authorities, it is common for residents of other states to obtain permits from Washington because they are more widely recognized around the country. Lt. Stu Miller of the Kootenai County Sheriff's Office explained, "A Washington permit, you can use in a lot more states than an Idaho standard permit."

Source: "More details released about Hayden Walmart shooting," *krem.com*, January 1, 2015; "Mom shot, Killed By 2-Year-Old Son at Walmart," *ABC News*, January 2015.

Idaho

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Ernesto Bustamante

SUICIDE

Date: August 22, 2011

People Killed: 2 (including shooter)

Circumstances: On August 22, 2011, concealed handgun permit holder Ernesto Bustamante, 31, shot and killed graduate student Katy Benoit, 22, before taking his own life. Bustamante, a professor at the University of Idaho, had recently dated Benoit, who had ended the relationship after he displayed violent tendencies—including threatening her life with a gun numerous times. According to news reports, three days after resigning his position at the college, Bustamante shot Benoit 11 times outside her home with a Smith & Wesson M&P .45 handgun. He then checked into a motel and killed himself with a Smith & Wesson .44 revolver the next day. An additional four handguns were found in the hotel room with Bustamante along with prescription medications for severe anxiety, epilepsy, depression, and bipolar disorder. Bustamante had multiple personalities and was known to refer to himself as “psychopathic killer” and “the beast.” According to one student, Bustamante informed the class whenever he developed a new personality, referred to each personality by number, and finished the semester with six personalities. Said one student, “We kind of referred to him as ‘the crazy doctor’—not like an insult, but that’s what he was. I was shocked because I knew he had issues, but I didn’t think it was that bad. We thought he had everything under control.”

Source: “Sheriff: UI professor had cleared background check,” *Associated Press*, September 1, 2011; “Details emerge on Bustamante, prescriptions, weapons and a new job,” *IdahoStatesman.com*, August 27, 2011; Bustamante told classes of his mental problems,” *IdahoStatesman.com*, August 26, 2011.

Idaho

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Robert Dean Hall

CONVICTED

Date: March 11, 2011

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On March 11, 2011, concealed handgun permit holder Robert Dean Hall, 42, shot and killed Emmet Corrigan, 30, in a Walgreens parking lot. Hall's wife Kandi worked for Corrigan at his law office and revealed in court testimony that she and Corrigan were having an affair. According to prosecutors, Corrigan and Kandi Hall had met with an attorney on the day of the shooting to get information about Kandi filing for a divorce and obtaining an order of protection for Kandi from Robert Hall. On the day of the shooting, Kandi Hall met Corrigan in the Walgreens parking lot and they left together in Corrigan's vehicle. They purchased gas and drove around looking at houses and had intercourse in Corrigan's car before returning to the Walgreens parking lot. During the time Kandi Hall and Corrigan were together, Robert Hall called Kandi and asked if she was with Corrigan. Corrigan grabbed Kandi's phone and spoke to Hall, saying, "Yeah, f--ing crack your head," and "Yeah, just wait there. We'll be there in a minute." When they returned to the parking lot, Robert Hall was waiting for them. After a confrontation, Robert Hall shot Corrigan in the head and chest, killing him. In October 2012, Hall was found guilty of second degree murder and use of a firearm in the commission of that offense. He was sentenced to 30 years in prison. In October 2015, an appeals court upheld his conviction.

Source: *State of Idaho v. Robert Dean Hall*, Court of Appeals of Idaho, October 21, 2015; "Robert Hall found guilty of killing attorney Emmett Corrigan," *kboi2.com*, October 25, 2012; "Hall pleads not guilty; prosecutors won't seek death penalty in attorney's shooting death," *Associated Press*, April 21, 2011.

Idaho

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Chris Allen Stone

CONVICTED

Date: August 29, 2010

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On August 29, 2010, concealed handgun permit holder Chris Allen Stone, 49, shot and killed his wife Florence Stone in front of their home. Florence Stone was found in the back of a van in the driveway of their home with two gunshot wounds to the back of the head. Chris Stone originally claimed that his wife stabbed him and he was acting in self defense when he shot her. In August 2011, Stone pleaded guilty to second degree murder and admitted he stabbed himself and lied about acting in self-defense. In September 2011, Stone was sentenced to 20 years in prison. In May 2013, an appeals court upheld his conviction.

Source: *State of Idaho v. Chris Allen Stone*, Court of Appeals of Idaho, May 14, 2013; "Caldwell man gets 20-year sentence for wife's murder," *Idaho Press-Tribune*, September 22, 2011.

Idaho

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Jeremy J. Hobbs

CONVICTED

Date: March 14, 2009

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On March 14, 2009, Jeremy J. Hobbs, 27, shot and killed Ahmed Cepalo, 29, in the early morning in the parking lot outside Southwest Boise's Backstreet Billiards. According to witnesses, Hobbs and another man starting arguing inside the pool hall. The argument continued into the parking lot where Cepalo, who knew both men, tried to calm them down. A shoving match then broke out between Hobbs and Cepalo. Hobbs then allegedly pulled out a small revolver and shot Cepalo five times, twice in the hip and three times in the back. Cepalo died in the parking lot of internal bleeding. According to police, witnesses all said that Cepalo appeared to be trying to break up the argument when he was shot. Hobbs, who according to Ada County Sheriff's officials had a concealed handgun permit, pleaded not guilty to second degree murder.

UPDATE: On April 29, 2010, District Judge Timothy Hansen declared a mistrial in the case after the jury failed to reach a verdict in the week-long trial. A retrial was scheduled to begin on August 30, 2010.

UPDATE: On March 22, 2011, Hobbs was sentenced to 30 years in prison with the right to ask for parole after serving 15 years. Hobbs was originally charged with second degree murder, but his trial ended with a hung jury. In February 2011, Hobbs pleaded guilty to voluntary manslaughter.

Source: "Boise man gets 15 years for pool hall shooting," *Associated Press*, March 23, 2011; "Second trial date set in pool hall shooting," *Associated Press*, May 17, 2010; "Hung jury in pool hall shooting death," *Associated Press*, April 29, 2010; "Man fights second-degree murder charge in Boise pool-hall shooting," *IdahoStatesman.com*, June 9, 2009; "Murder suspect tells Boise police pool hall shooting was self-defense," *IdahoStatesman.com*, March 16, 2009.

Idaho

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Jason Kenneth Hamilton

SUICIDE

Date: May 19, 2007

Total Killed: 4 (including shooter)

Law Enforcement Officers Killed: 1

Circumstances: On May 19, 2007, Jason Kenneth Hamilton, 36, a member of the white supremacist group Aryan Nations, shot and killed his wife, a police officer, and a church sexton, and wounded three others before turning the gun on himself in a shooting spree in Moscow, Idaho. Hamilton had a concealed handgun permit “despite a [previous] domestic violence conviction that should have barred him from owning guns.”

Source: “Shooter Linked to Aryans; Killer also had federal license for automatic weapons,” *Spokesman Review*, May 23, 2007; “Authorities investigate Hamilton’s gun purchase; Mass killer apparently obtained the automatic weapon late in 2004 or early in 2005; Ambush aftermath,” *Lewiston Morning Tribune*, May 24, 2007.

Illinois

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Unidentified
SHOT AND KILLED DURING INCIDENT

Date: December 7, 2022

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On December 7, 2022, an unidentified concealed handgun permit holder, 22, was shot and killed with her own gun in her home. According to police, the 22-year-old woman was in her home when a female suspect entered around 3:18 AM and got into a verbal dispute with the victim. The victim's gun was taken from her during the dispute, and she was shot in the chest. The victim was taken to the hospital in critical condition, where she later died. The suspect fled the scene with the victim's gun.

Source: "Chicago police: Woman with concealed carry license fatally shot with own gun on South Side," *abc7chicago.com*, December 7, 2022.

Illinois

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Tajh Moore

PENDING

Date: July 17, 2021

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On July 17, 2021, concealed handgun permit holder Tajh Moore, 31, allegedly shot and killed an unidentified man after they took psychedelic drugs together and engaged in sex with a woman who witnessed the shooting. Moore was in a relationship with the female witness, 31, who previously had two children with the man who was killed. At the woman's home, the group had sex together after taking either LSD, ecstasy, or a mix of the two drugs. The group then decided to go out to a bar. Moore, who had a valid Firearm Owner's Identification card and a concealed carry license was carrying a gun. As the woman was pulling the car away from her home, she witnessed Moore allegedly shooting the man once in the back of the head as he sat in the passenger seat. The shooting was caught on surveillance video. Moore is a U.S. Army veteran who was honorably discharged in 2018 after serving in South Korea. According to his attorney, Moore suffers from post-traumatic stress disorder. Moore was charged with first degree murder.

Source: "Army vet fatally shot man after they took psychedelic drugs: prosecutors," *chicago.suntimes.com*, July 18, 2021.

Illinois

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Deshon Mcadory

PENDING

Date: May 27, 2021

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On May 27, 2021, concealed handgun permit holder Deshon Mcadory, 40, allegedly shot and killed Christian McDougald, 31, following a dispute over a haircut. The incident began when McDougald began arguing with employees at the Studio 914 barbershop and attempted to leave without paying for his haircut. During the dispute, everyone inside the business except for McDougald and Mcadory, the shop owner, went outside. McDougald followed Mcadory to the back of the shop where Mcadory allegedly shot McDougald once in the chest. McDougald was pronounced dead at a nearby hospital. The shooting was captured on security cameras and a witness identified Mcadory as the alleged shooter. According to the shop's Facebook page, haircuts at Studio 914 cost between 15 and 25 dollars. Mcadory, who had a concealed carry permit and a Firearm Owners Identification card, claimed he acted in self defense. Mcadory was arrested and charged with first degree murder.

Source: "Illinois barbershop owner kills man over unpaid haircut," *complex.com*, June 1, 2021.

Illinois

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Matarimo Houpe

PENDING

Date: August 14, 2019

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On August 14, 2019, concealed handgun permit holder Matarimo Houpe, 35, allegedly shot and killed Andrew Owens, 30, who was attending a funeral repast in Washington Park. According to prosecutors, Houpe and Owens were attending the same repast when Houpe got into an argument with the father of her child. Houpe followed the man as he got in his car to drive away. Houpe's sister then allegedly handed her a pink 9mm SCCY CPX-1 pistol. SCCY Firearms markets itself as the "King of Concealed Carry" on its website. According to prosecutors, the car had made a turn and was gone from the scene by the time Houpe raised the weapon and allegedly pulled the trigger twice. One of the rounds struck Owens in the face. Owens was rushed to the University of Chicago Medical Center and was pronounced dead less than 24 hours later. Houpe remained at the scene and allegedly admitted to officers that the gun was hers and that she had fired it, but was allegedly aiming at the vehicle's tires as it drove away. Houpe was charged with first degree murder.

Source: "Woman fires pink gun at car leaving funeral repast, kills another guest: prosecutors," *Chicago Sun-Times*, August 16, 2019.

Illinois

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Marcus Williford

PENDING

Date: July 4, 2019

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On July 4, 2019, concealed handgun permit holder Marcus Williford, 26, allegedly tried to wrestle his gun away from his sister Lisheka Haggard, 34, when the weapon fired, fatally striking her in the left cheek below her eye. The shooting took place at their mother's home around 1:30 AM. According to prosecutors, Williford told officers that his sister was drunk, and he was trying to help her by taking the gun away. Williford had reported the gun stolen two years earlier and initially told officers that he did not know where the gun was when they arrived at the scene. Williford was charged with involuntary manslaughter.

Source: "Man charged with involuntary manslaughter in sister's death," *nbcchicago.com*, July 6, 2019.

Illinois

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Louis Hicks Jr.

PENDING

Date: June 12, 2019

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On June 12, 2019, concealed handgun permit holder Louis Hicks Jr., 33, allegedly shot and killed Sircie Varnado, 46, at a Walgreens in Chicago. Hicks often went to the Walgreens with a badge and gun, telling an employee that he was a security guard and that the employee should call him if there were ever any problems at the store. On June 12, a Walgreens employee texted Hicks asking for his help with a suspicious man at the store, but the man had left by the time Hicks arrived. According to police, Hicks then approached Varnado, suspecting she was involved with the man. Hicks stopped Varnado and accused her of stealing a dress. She gave him the dress and then attempted to leave. During a resultant struggle, Varnado's bag broke open, revealing pantyhose available for sale at the store. According to prosecutors, Hicks held Varnado in a bear hug, put her into a choke hold, and then slammed her to the floor. Hicks then allegedly falsely identified himself as a Chicago police officer. According to witnesses, Varnado looked up at Hicks and "called him the b-word," at which point Hicks allegedly shot her in the face. Varnado was taken to Mt. Sinai Hospital where she died. According to police, after allegedly shooting Varnado, Hicks walked out of the store and drove away. According to prosecutors, Hicks was a licensed security guard but did not work for Walgreens. Hicks was convicted of burglary in 2003 and should not have been allowed to possess a gun. Hicks was charged with murder and aggravated unlawful use of a weapon.

Source: "Cops say a Walgreens manager suspected shoplifting. He didn't call the police," *newser.com*, June 21, 2019; "No bail for man accused of murder inside Chicago Walgreens," *wgntv.com*, June 21, 2019; Man falsely claiming to be a cop before allegedly shooting Black woman at a Walgreen's still not arrested," *thegrio.com*, June 17, 2019.

Illinois

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Juan Lopez

SUICIDE

Date: November 19, 2018

People Killed: 4 (including shooter)

Law Enforcement Officers Killed: 1

Circumstances: On November 19, 2018, concealed handgun permit holder Juan Lopez, 32, shot and killed his ex-fiancee Dr. Tamara O’Neal, 38, pharmacy resident Dayna Less, 24, and Chicago Police Officer Samuel Jimenez, 28, with a Glock 9mm pistol at Mercy Hospital & Medical Center in Chicago. Lopez and Dr. O’Neal, who had recently broken off their engagement, argued in the parking lot of the hospital before Lopez shot and killed Dr. O’Neal. Lopez then shot and killed Less as she stepped off an elevator inside the hospital. Officer Jimenez was shot in the neck during a gun battle with Lopez inside the hospital. Lopez was shot in the abdomen during the gun battle with police before shooting himself in the head. He died at the scene. Lopez obtained a concealed carry permit in 2016. In 2014, his ex-wife obtained an order of protection against him, alleging threats of violence with a gun against her, a neighbor, and a realtor, and alleging that he slept with a pistol under his pillow. Nearly five years prior to the shooting, Lopez threatened to shoot up the Chicago Fire Department Academy and was fired for failing to show up at work while facing allegations of “improper conduct” toward women.

Source: “Mercy Hospital Chicago shooting: Illinois State Police investigating Mercy Hospital shooter’s gun permits,” *abc7chicago.com*, November 21, 2018; “Gunman who went on rampage at Mercy Hospital had troubled history, particularly with women,” *Chicago Tribune*, November 20, 2018.

Illinois

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Darnell Hurt

PENDING

Date: August 8, 2018

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On August 8, 2018, concealed handgun permit holder Darnell Hurt, 29, allegedly shot and killed Lee Labriel, 32. On the night of the shooting, Hurt had tried to contact his wife several times without success, so he tracked her cellphone to locate her. Just after midnight, Hurt drove to the 5200 block of South Wells where he found his wife driving with Labriel. Hurt signaled for them to pull over before cutting them off with his vehicle so they could not drive away. Hurt's wife got out of the car and they began to argue before Hurt ordered Labriel, who was not armed, out of the car. Labriel moved from the passenger seat to the driver's side and tried to get out of the door. Hurt then allegedly shot Labriel in the back of the head with a 45 caliber Springfield handgun. Labriel was taken to the hospital where he later died. Hurt was arrested and charged with first degree murder.

Source: "CTA employee charged with fatal shooting in Fuller Park," *Chicago Sun-Times*, August 10, 2018.

Illinois

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Ryan Zike

SUICIDE

Date: January 3, 2018

People Killed: 2 (including shooter)

Circumstances: On January 3, 2018, concealed handgun permit holder Ryan Zike, 33, shot and killed his former girlfriend, Claire VanLandingham, 27, with a pistol before shooting himself in the head. Zike approached VanLandingham around 6:20 a.m. as she was leaving her apartment. Following a brief conversation, Zike pulled out a pistol and shot her multiple times before turning the gun on himself. A man who was waiting to pick up VanLandingham witnessed the shooting and rammed Zike with his Land Rover Discovery shortly after Zike shot himself “to avoid being shot.” An autopsy found that Zike died from his self-inflicted gunshot wound to the head and that he did not suffer major trauma from being struck by the Land Rover.

Source: “Police: Man killed self after fatally shooting ex-girlfriend in Lake Forest,” *chicago.suntimes.com*, January 17, 2018.

Illinois

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** John F. Ingram

CONVICTED

Date: March 27, 2016

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On March 27, 2016, concealed handgun permit holder John F. Ingram, 21, was allegedly involved in a shooting in Carbondale, Illinois, that resulted in the death of next-door neighbor Timothy Beaty, 41. The shooting, which involved four suspects, was the result of an altercation that started inside at a party, where shots were fired, and then moved outside the house, where the gunfire continued. Beaty had not attended the party and was killed by a stray bullet. Urging a reduction in his client's million-dollar bail, Ingram's attorney noted that Ingram has a concealed carry permit issued in Missouri. Ingram was charged with first degree murder in the death of Beaty.

UPDATE: On May 17, 2018, John Ingram plead guilty to aggravated discharge of a firearm and was sentenced to six and a half years in prison.

Source: "Man heads to prison for role in deadly shooting," *wsil.tv.com*, May 18, 2018; "Murder charges filed in musician's death," *wjpf.com*, June 20, 2016; "Updated: Third suspect in March 27 shooting turns himself in," *thesouthern.com*, April 5, 2016.

Illinois

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Sergio Ramirez-Abeja

SUICIDE

Date: January 14, 2016

People Killed: 2 (including shooter)

Circumstances: On January 14, 2016, concealed handgun permit holder Sergio Ramirez-Abeja, 43, shot and killed Santiago Garcia-Mendoza, 40, before leading police on a high-speed chase and shooting himself as police were about to place him under arrest. The incident began with a dispute between Ramirez-Abeja and his daughter's stepfather, Garcia-Mendoza. Witnesses saw Ramirez-Abeja shoot Garcia-Mendoza at least three times in the driveway of Garcia-Mendoza's home. Ramirez-Abeja then fled the scene and was pursued by police, reaching speeds of up to 85 mph during the 40-mile high-speed chase. An officer struck Ramirez-Abeja's car from behind, forcing him off the road. As an officer approached the vehicle he heard a gunshot, which was determined to be a lethal self-inflicted gunshot from Ramirez-Abeja.

Source: "Police say man dead after killing daughter's stepfather, high-speed chase," *Chicago Tribune*, January 14, 2016.

Illinois

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Richard Idrovo

SUICIDE

Date: August 14, 2015

People Killed: 2 (including shooter)

Circumstances: On August 14, 2015, concealed handgun permit holder Richard Idrovo, 45, shot and killed his ex-girlfriend Alma B. Hernandez, 44, at AmeriCash Loans where she worked, before turning the gun on himself. According to police, Idrovo entered the store around 2:30 p.m., walked to the rear of the store and shot Hernandez twice before walking back to the front of the store and shooting himself in the head.

Source: "Man Kills Ex-Girlfriend, Then Self in Loop Loan Store," *chicago.cbslocal.com*, August 14, 2015; "2 people shot dead in Loop victims of murder-suicide, top cop says," *Chicago Tribune*, August 14, 2015.

Iowa

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Savion Wilson

CONVICTED

Date: August 27, 2022

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On August 27, 2022, concealed carry permit holder Savion Wilson, 24, shot Cortavius Benford, 26, in the head at Benford's apartment, killing him. Wilson and Benford grew up together in Mississippi and had known each other since childhood. On the day of the shooting, Wilson said that he and a friend went to Benford's apartment to repay him 10 dollars that Benford had loaned him to rent an electric scooter. Wilson claimed that he found the pistol under a couch cushion and began playing around with it, pointing it at himself and his friends as they sat scrolling on their phones. Wilson claimed the gun went off accidentally, striking Benford and that when Benford's girlfriend told him to get out he panicked and ran. Prosecutors claimed that Wilson had made threats to shoot Benford months earlier in a Facebook Live post, saying it would be a "free kill" since Benford was unable to possess a gun to defend himself because he was on probation. Benford's girlfriend also disputed Wilson's claim that the shooting was unintentional, saying that Wilson briefly stepped out of the apartment before returning with a camouflage hunting mask over his face and pointed the gun at Benford and fired. Police also noted that Wilson's account of the shooting changed over time. In August 2023, Wilson was convicted of first degree murder and was sentenced to life in prison without parole.

Sources: "Waterloo man sentenced to life in prison for friend's shooting death," *wcfcourier.com*, October 4, 2023; "Jury finds Waterloo man guilty of first-degree murder in 2022 fatal shooting," *wcfcourier.com*, August 23, 2023.

Iowa

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Chandrasekhar Sunkara

SUICIDE

Date: June 15, 2019

People Killed: 4 (including shooter)

Circumstances: On June 15, 2019, concealed handgun permit holder Chandrasekhar Sunkara, 44, shot and killed his wife Lavanya Sunkara, 41, and their two sons Prabhas, 15, and Suhas, 11, before taking his own life in their home in Des Moines, Iowa. A family friend told media, “We are told that Chandrasekhar (Chandu) had purchased the gun 10-15 days ago when he apparently planned the homicide.” A family member said Sunkara has been depressed due to the ill-health of his older son. Four family members, two adults and two children, were staying in the home as guests, but none were injured.

Sources: “Iowa tragedy update: Chandrasekhar Sunkara committed suicide after killing his wife and two children,” *indianewengland.com*, June 20, 2019; “Hyderabad: Depressed Chandrasekhar Sunkara had bought gun 15 days ago,” *deccanchronicle.com*, June 19, 2019; “Police: West Des Moines family died of gunshot wounds; man died by suicide,” *desmoinesregister.com*, June 17, 2019.

Iowa

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Lamar C. Wilson

CONVICTED

Date: August 27, 2017

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On August 27, 2017, concealed handgun permit holder Lamar C. Wilson, 23, shot Kaleek Jones, 22, and two other men in an Iowa City pedestrian mall. The victims were found in a walkway between the Sheraton Hotel and Martini's bar, collapsed in front of a parking ramp leading to the Sheraton, and on the ramp itself. Jones died from his wounds two days after the shooting. An autopsy classified his death as a homicide caused by gunshot wounds to the back and neck. Wilson was carrying two guns when he was taken into custody near the scene of the shooting. According to police, he admitted firing several rounds at a number of people. An acquaintance reportedly told police that Wilson shot at the victims at close range as the result of an "ongoing feud." Wilson was charged with first degree murder, attempted murder, and intimidation with a dangerous weapon. Wilson claims he acted in self defense and plans to argue the shooting was justified under Iowa's "stand your ground" law which took effect on July 1, 2017. Earlier in 2017, Wilson was found not guilty of first degree murder in a 2013 shooting in Illinois.

UPDATE: On February 7, 2018, Lamar Wilson was found guilty of voluntary manslaughter, two counts of assault with the intent to inflict serious injury, and intimidation with a dangerous weapon. Wilson was sentenced to 24 years in prison.

Source: "Lamar Wilson sentenced to 24 years in prison," *press-citizen.com*, March 30, 2018; "Lamar Wilson guilty of voluntary manslaughter in Iowa City ped mall shooting, jury says," *Des Moines Register*, February 7, 2018; "Iowa City ped mall shooting suspect to use 'stand your ground' defense," *press-citizen.com*, September 19, 2017; "Ped mall shooting suspect Lamar Wilson to use 'stand your ground' defense," *press-citizen.com*, September 19, 2017.

Iowa

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Spencer Lee Sloss

UNINTENTIONAL

Date: September 18, 2016

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On September 18, 2016, concealed handgun permit holder Spencer Lee Sloss, 26, unintentionally shot and killed his sister Megan Sloss, 24, as he was showing her how to clean his gun. According to investigators, Megan Sloss was driving with her brother in the passenger seat when his Sig Sauer 9mm pistol went off, striking her. Megan Sloss was transported to Mercy Medical in Des Moines where she died. The siblings were on their way to a family event and planned on doing some target shooting. Megan Sloss was working towards a Master's degree in social services and was interested in a career helping children and adults in need. No charges were filed against Spencer Sloss and the case is still under investigation.

Source: "Megan Sloss shot dead by brother after gun accidentally goes off," *scallywagandvagabond.com*, September 22, 2016.

Iowa

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Steve William Fordyce

CONVICTED

Date: August 14, 2015

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On August 14, 2015, concealed handgun permit holder Steve William Fordyce shot and killed Donald Harrington in Waterloo, Iowa, outside the home of Harrington's wife's parents. According to Fordyce, his sister and another woman went to Harrington's in-laws' home after Harrington had become angry about children placing fruit snacks in the yard. Fordyce followed them and stated that Harrington rushed at him. Harrington left his phone on during the incident, with the final seconds caught on his brother's voice mail. On the voice mail, Harrington can be heard saying, "I'll (expletive deleted) kill you." After that, a voice identified as Fordyce's sister said, "He's got a gun." "Do it," are the final words cited to Harrison before the recording was cut off when one of the rounds fired into Harrington struck his phone. Fordyce claimed he was acting in self-defense. Fordyce was carrying a 40 caliber handgun and had a concealed carry permit issued in Bremer County. He was charged with first-degree murder.

UPDATE: On August 29, 2017, Steve Fordyce was found guilty of voluntary manslaughter in the death of Donald Harrington. On October 23, 2017, Fordyce was sentenced to up to 10 years in prison.

Source: "Denver man sentenced to 10 years in fatal shooting," *wcfcourier.com*, October 23, 2017; "Defendant who claimed Stand Your Ground convicted of lesser charge," *wcfcourier.com*, August 29, 2017; "Waterloo shooting victim's phone records his last moments," *The Courier*, August 3, 2016.

Iowa

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Spencer Arnold

SUICIDE

Date: May 2, 2016

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On May 2, 2016, concealed handgun permit holder Spencer Arnold shot and killed himself at his home in Iowa City, Iowa. After Arnold got in a disagreement over the phone with a girl he was dating, he used one of the five loaded handguns on his nightstand and shot himself in the head. Arnold's uncle, actor Tom Arnold, said he tossed away his own weapons "within a day" after Spencer's death and has since lobbied for stricter gun laws. Spencer Arnold was discharged from the Army after a failed suicide attempt and was diagnosed as chronically depressed and judged to be unsafe around weapons. Nevertheless, Arnold was later able to obtain a concealed weapons permit in the state of Iowa.

Sources: "Tom Arnold pens passionate essay arguing for gun control after nephew's suicide," *Entertainment Tonight*, August 18, 2016; "Tom Arnold pushes gun control reform after nephew kills himself," *New York Daily News*, June 1, 2016.

Iowa

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** James Ernst II

CONVICTED

Date: December 6, 2014

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On December 6, 2014, concealed handgun permit holder James Ernst II, 26, allegedly shot and killed Orintheo Campbell Jr., 23, following a fight between two women in the parking lot of a Prime Mart convenience store. According to the Black Hawk County Attorney, “This was a girl fight between Shaumara [Taylor] and Ashley [Norris], and the defendant took it upon himself to retrieve his weapon from his vehicle, walk around that vehicle and open fire.” Norris and Taylor had been involved in an earlier dispute at a child’s birthday party, and encountered each other outside the Prime Mart at approximately 1:25 AM. “Me and her had kind of a stare down,” according to Norris. Norris and Taylor began physically fighting and were separated by bystanders before the fight started up again. After the fight was broken up a second time, Norris went toward her car to retrieve a shoe that she lost in the scuffle when she heard gunfire. A friend of Norris’ said she saw Ernst start shooting, and Norris said she saw Ernst holding the gun after the shooting. Campbell was hit in the chest and neck, and died a short time after arriving at the hospital. Ernst was charged with first degree murder.

UPDATE: In February 2016, James Ernst II was found guilty of first degree murder in the death of Orintheo Campbell. On April 12, 2016, Ernst was sentenced to life in prison.

Source: “Judge sentences Ernst to life for December 2014 murder,” *kcrg.com*, April 12, 2016; “Testimony begins in December 2014 homicide trial,” *wcfcourier.com*, February 18, 2016.

Indiana

■ Concealed Handgun Permit Holder: Jason Brown

CONVICTED

Date: July 27, 2017

People Killed: 1

Law Enforcement Officers Killed: 1

Circumstances: On July 27, 2017, concealed handgun permit holder Jason Brown, 28, allegedly shot and killed Southport police Lt. Aaron Allan, a six-year veteran of the Southport Police Department. Allan was responding to a report of an overturned vehicle, and when he approached to check the status of what he expected to be the victim of a serious car crash, he was shot multiple times. According to police documents, Brown fired the shots from his overturned vehicle. Brown works as a tattoo artist and is a gun enthusiast, posting several photos on Instagram of himself holding various types of guns, and, in a Facebook post, showed a gun with the text, "Why do I carry a pistol? Because my AR-15 doesn't fit in my pants." In 2013, Brown was found guilty of possession of marijuana or a synthetic cannabinoid and was sentenced to 30 days in a county jail. Brown was taken to the hospital following the crash and shooting, and was arrested on suspicion of murder and a marijuana possession charge.

UPDATE: In February 2002, Jason Brown was convicted of shooting and killing Southport Police Lieutenant Aaron Allan. In May 2022, Brown was sentenced to 58 years, with 55 years in prison and three years suspended to probation. In October 2023, Brown's convicted was upheld by the Indiana Court of Appeals.

Sources: "Appeals court upholds man's murder conviction in 2017 shooting death of Southport police officer," *fox59.com*; "Man convicted of killing Southport Lt. Aaron Allen sentenced to 55 years in prison," *fox59.com*, May 6, 2022; "Who is Jason Brown? Woman who's known him his whole life says shooting suspect is 'shy, timid,'" *www.theindychannel.com*, July 28, 2017.

Indiana

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** James Ross Jr.

CONVICTED

Date: September 20, 2016

People Killed: 2

Circumstances: On September 20, 2016, concealed handgun permit holder James Ross Jr., 28, shot and killed Antonio McClain, 29, and Anthony McClain, 25, following a confrontation between Ross and Cheri Avery, outside Avery's apartment. Ross went to the apartment to confront Avery in an attempt to quash rumors that he had been involved in a July 2016 triple homicide. Ross also insisted that Avery keep a man named "Capo" away from her home. When Antonio and Anthony McClain confronted Ross during the argument, he pulled his 9mm pistol and opened fire at close range, striking Antonio McClain in the nose and Anthony McClain in the eye. Both men were dead at the scene. Ross claimed he acted in self defense, since Antonio McClain had been armed. The prosecuting attorney noted, however, that police found a gun on McClain's back, not in his hand. On February 13, 2018, James Ross Jr. was convicted of two counts of murder, and in March 2018 was sentenced to 65 years in prison on each count, for a total of 130 years in prison, to be served consecutively.

Source: "Ross receives 130 year sentence in double murder," www.goshennews.com, March 8, 2018; "Attorney argues self-defense in double murder trial," www.goshennews.com, February 7, 2018.

Indiana

■ **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Michael Young

CONVICTED

Date: May 31, 2016

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On May 31, 2016, concealed handgun permit holder Michael Young, 70, shot and killed Markest Flowers, 27, following a dispute in South Bend. Young was at LaSalle Kitchen & Tavern having a drink with Carla Beachy on the night of the shooting. Beachy went outside to smoke and testified that a man stopped her from getting back out of her vehicle and was persistent that she give him money. She said she gave him a \$50 bill, which was the only cash she was carrying. When Young came out to check on her, Beachy told him what had happened. According to investigators, Beachy never said that the man robbed her, only that he had been persistent in asking for money. Young testified in court, however, that Beachy had told him she'd been robbed. Young then went looking for the man, who Beachy described as a young black man wearing a red shirt. Before leaving, Young, who was already carrying a small "pocket gun," retrieved a 9mm Glock pistol from his vehicle because it was "safer." Young soon found Flowers walking on Main Street, and asked him if he knew anything about his friend getting robbed. Young told Flowers that if he just gave the money back there would be no problem. Young alleged that Flowers lunged at him before walking away, at which point Young followed him. Two women testified that they saw Young grab Flowers by his backpack, spin him around, and shoot him. In court, Young claimed that he had lost his balance stepping off a curb, put his hand out to catch himself, which was when Flowers turned around, and that the gun then fired. Young said he felt threatened and was acting in self-defense. The prosecutor in the case described Young's actions as a "hunt" and played a portion of an interview that Young gave to investigators where he described Flowers' appearance as "very thuggish." Investigators never found the money in Flowers' possession. On June 23, 2017, Young was found guilty of murder and on July 28, 2017 was sentenced to 50 years in prison.

Sources: "Man sentenced 50 years in South Bend murder," *www.wsbt.com*, July 27, 2017; Michael Young found guilty of murder in South Bend man's shooting death," *South Bend Tribune*, June 23, 2017; "Defendant takes the stand in South Bend murder trial," *South Bend Tribune*, June 22, 2017.

Indiana

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Kanisha Shelton

UNINTENTIONAL

Date: April 20, 2016

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On April 20, 2016, a two-year-old boy unintentionally shot himself after finding his mother's .380 Bersa pistol in her purse. According to police, the boy's mother, Kanisha Shelton, 23, had "momentarily stepped away" when the toddler climbed to the kitchen counter, removed the pistol from her purse, and shot himself in the shoulder. He was taken to the hospital in critical condition and later died. The mother had a concealed carry permit.

UPDATE: On May 5, 2016, Kanisha Shelton, 23, was charged with neglect of a dependent resulting in death. According to court documents, Shelton told police her son sometimes climbed onto the chairs against the counter where she left her purse and gun and that he got into her purse "all of the time."

Source: "Mother charged with neglect after son fatally shot himself makes first court appearance," *www.fox59.com*, May 11, 2016; "Child, 2, kills self with gun from mom's purse," *Indianapolis Star*, April 21, 2016.

Indiana

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Qing Chen

SUICIDE

Date: March 10, 2016

People Killed: 2 (including shooter)

Circumstances: On March 10, 2016, concealed handgun permit holder Qing Chen, 37, shot and killed his supervisor Ward Edwards, 49, before turning the 9mm Glock pistol on himself in a meeting room at the Cummins Seymour Engine Plant where they worked. The motive was described as a personnel issue, with the Seymour Police Chief noting that the two had a “supervisor/employee relationship.” Autopsy results showed that Edwards died of multiple gunshot wounds and Chen died of a self-inflicted gunshot wound. Chen purchased the Glock handgun used in the shooting from Plainfield Shooting Supply in 2012.

Source: “New details released in Seymour shooting,” *whas11.com*, March 11, 2016.

Indiana

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** James Lonaker

UNINTENTIONAL

Date: February 21, 2016

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On February 21, 2016, concealed handgun permit holder James Lonaker, 62, was unintentionally shot and killed by his six-year-old son. Lonaker was in his bedroom changing his clothes, put his .38 revolver down on top of a table, and turned to use his computer. His son picked up the handgun and pulled the trigger, unintentionally shooting his father in the upper body. Lonaker died en route to the hospital. The boy told investigators that he did not think the handgun was loaded and did not intend to hurt his father.

Source: “‘We can tell his heart is broken’: Ind. 6-year-old picks up dad’s gun and accidentally kills him,” *Washington Post*, February 23, 2016.

Indiana

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Michael Hrnciar

SUICIDE

Date: September 5, 2014

Total Killed: 2 (including shooter)

Law Enforcement Officers Killed: 1

Circumstances: On September 5, 2014, concealed handgun permit holder Michael Hrnciar, 33, shot and killed Merrillville Police Officer Nickolaus Schultz, 24, before turning the handgun on himself. Hrnciar was reportedly evicted from his condominium in July 2014 following a foreclosure. In August 2014, the condo's property management said they had to change damaged locks at Hrnciar's unit after discovering they had been tampered with and the unit entered. On September 5, 2014, police were called when Hrnciar's vehicle was seen parked outside his former home and the previously closed windows of the condo were now open. Police unsuccessfully attempted to get Hrnciar to answer the door before they forced their way into the condo. With no electrical power in the unit, the two officers searched the unit by flashlight. Hrnciar, wearing police-style body armor, ambushed the officers, firing two shots from his .45 handgun. One of the rounds struck Officer Schultz, with the other hitting a wall. Hrnciar then fired a third shot, which drew return gunfire from the second officer. The Lake County Coroner's Office later determined that Hrnciar died from a single, self-inflicted gunshot wound to the head and was not struck by police gunfire. According to police, Hrnciar moved from Illinois to Indiana in 2006 so that he could legally carry a handgun. Hrnciar had a valid Indiana Handgun Permit issued in 2006, the same year he bought the handgun used in the shooting. Hrnciar also had a fascination with commercial-grade fireworks and evidence indicated that he was illegally manufacturing explosives. He also possessed a half-gallon jar of high-grade processed marijuana and a non-functioning marijuana growing operation.

Source: "Police Release Timeline in Merrillville Officer's Shooting Death," *abc7chicago.com*, September 12, 2014.

Indiana

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Albert Rogers

CONVICTED

Date: June 5, 2014

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On June 5, 2014, concealed handgun permit holder Albert Rogers, 26, shot and killed Josh Tucker, 31, after a week-long dispute about a dog. According to court documents, Rogers fired as many as 10 shots at Tucker during the argument. Rogers had also fired at Tucker's dog a week prior to the fatal shooting. Rogers was arrested and charged with murder. Rogers pled guilty to aggravated battery, and in February 2015 was sentenced to 11 years, including 10 years in community corrections and one year of probation.

Source: "Man pleads guilty to aggravated battery in fatal shooting stemming from dog argument," *fox59.com*, February 17, 2015.

Indiana

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Jeremy Washington

CONVICTED

Date: March 2014

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: In March 2014, concealed handgun permit holder Jeremy Washington, 36, killed Haley Nellig, 17, in a car crash as he fled from an altercation at the Corner Pocket Pub. Washington claimed that he was approached by a group of people in the Pub, including Chad Jackson, who were trying to start a fight or provoke him into an altercation. After the group was kicked out of the bar, another altercation followed in the parking lot. Washington claimed that shots were fired at him from Jackson's SUV. Washington retrieved his Sig Sauer Nightmare .45 pistol from between the seats of his car and fired between one and eight shots, in what he described as an effort to scare the people in the SUV. One of the bullets pierced Jackson's neck, wounding him. Believing that the SUV was following him, Washington fled the scene in his car, running a red light at more than 100 miles per hour and colliding with Haley Nellig's car. Her car flipped over multiple times and the driver's side door was pushed past the center console. Nellig was killed in the crash. In September 2015, Washington was found guilty of reckless homicide, causing death when operating a motor vehicle while intoxicated, causing serious bodily injury when operating a motor vehicle while intoxicated, and criminal recklessness - committed while armed with a deadly weapon. He faces a maximum of 14 years in prison.

Source: "Washington guilty of reckless homicide, not murder," *wane.com*, September 23, 2015; "Shooting victim gives his account in trial," *The Journal Gazette*, September 22, 2015.

Indiana

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Jayveon Daniels

CONVICTED

Date: August 26, 2013

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On August 26, 2013, concealed handgun permit holder Jayveon Daniels, 21, and Duane Snelling, 22 met with La’Kice Brooks, 17 inside a car to sell him marijuana. Brook was carrying his mother’s pink handgun and Daniels was also armed. According to Snelling’s attorney, Brooks allegedly tried to rob Daniels and Snelling in retaliation for a previous robbery. During the sale, there was a struggle for Brooks’ gun. According to a plea agreement, Snelling shot Brooks with Daniels’ gun. Daniels and Snelling drove off, leaving Brooks in the parking lot. Brooks died on the way to the hospital. Daniels pleaded guilty to reckless homicide, and on January 13, 2015 he was sentenced to two years in jail followed by two years in community corrections and two years on probation.

Source: “Cousins sentenced in Highland teen’s homicide,” *nwitimes.com*, January 14, 2015.

Indiana

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Jay Byler

UNINTENTIONAL

Date: February 25, 2011

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On February 25, 2011, concealed handgun permit holder Jay Byler accidentally shot and killed his seven-year-old daughter Karlee when his Norinco pistol fell out of his coat pocket and fired. The shooting occurred at the family's home after Jay Byler had been playing outside in the snow with Karlee, her 10-year-old sister Brooklyn, and his wife. According to a statement released by the family's church, "Jay was helping the girls with their boots when the gun fell out of his pocket and discharged. Karlee was killed." The statement described the first grader as an "ornery angel" and stated that like her dad she loved to clown around. A family friend stated, "She was just infectious. Karlee was just a delight and a joy. People talk about her with words like 'smiles' and 'hugs.' Karlee was a hugger." Later analysis found that the gun had a functional defect and no charges were filed in the shooting.

Source: "Prosecutor: Gun that killed Goshen girl had functional defect," *southbendtribune.com*, March 16, 2011; "Friends remember 'ornery angel' killed in accidental shooting," *Newscenter16*, February 27, 2011.

Indiana

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Lucas Holland

CONVICTED

Date: March 25, 2010

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On March 25, 2010, concealed handgun permit holder Lucas Holland, 28, shot and killed David Moore, 52. Holland was allegedly stealing Moore's all-terrain vehicle (ATV) when Moore returned home and confronted him. Holland claimed that he was repossessing the ATV and that he feared Moore was going to harm him when he shot Moore in the back of the head with a .40 Taurus pistol. Holland obtained a concealed handgun permit in July 2009. Holland was arrested and charged with murder when he was found driving a truck with the stolen ATV in the back. In the wake of Moore's death, local law enforcement agencies reported an increase in the number of people seeking permits to carry a concealed weapon.

UPDATE: On July 1, 2011, Lucas Holland was sentenced to 85 years in prison after pleading guilty to the murder of David Moore. Holland told the court, "I took the life of a good man for absolutely no reason...The remorse I feel is real and will go on forever."

Source: "Brown county man to serve 85 years for murder," *The Republic*, July 1, 2011; "Man accused of Unionville shooting death had handgun permit," *Bloomington Herald-Times*, March 31, 2010; "Suspect arrested in murder of Monroe County man," *fox59.com*, March 26, 2010; "Deceased man's property found in local man's truck," *Brown County Democrat*, March 26, 2010.

Indiana

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** William J. Calderon

CONVICTED

Date: August 22, 2009

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On August 22, 2009, concealed handgun permit holder William J. Calderon, 22, supplied the handgun used in a prank that resulted in the shooting death of Landon Siela, 21. According to court testimony, Calderon, Siela, and Calderon's roommate Cory S. Lynch, 23, spent the day drinking and playing with a neighbor's Airsoft gun (which uses a burst of air to fire non-lethal plastic pellets). At Calderon's instigation, he and Lynch decided to play a prank on Siela by using actual firearms—including a .45 Kimber pistol that Calderon kept loaded for protection and a second handgun that Siela had brought with him. The two pointed their guns—Calderon with Siela's handgun and Lynch with Calderon's loaded pistol—at Siela. Lynch, who according to Calderon "didn't know that much about firearms," pulled the trigger on the Kimber pistol, the bullet striking Siela in the throat, killing him. Calderon pled guilty to pointing a firearm, a misdemeanor, but the judge rejected the plea partly on the grounds that the plea agreement was too lenient. Calderon is also charged with false informing, a misdemeanor. Calderon's concealed carry permit was revoked following the shooting.

UPDATE: In June 2010 Calderon pleaded guilty to pointing a firearm, a Class A misdemeanor, in the death of Siela. He was sentenced to 120 days on community corrections followed by 245 days on supervised probation.

Source: "Second plea in shooting accepted," *jconline.com*, June 12, 2010; "Ex-Purdue student wants new judge for role in shooting case," *jconline.com*, March 22, 2010; "Judge just doesn't buy story in WL shooting," *jconline.com*, March 10, 2010.

Iowa

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Martin Lawrence

UNINTENTIONAL

Date: February 26, 2016

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On February 26, 2016, concealed handgun permit holder Martin Lawrence, 45, unintentionally shot himself as was exiting his vehicle. Lawrence, a corrections officer, was returning home from work at approximately 12:30 A.M. As he left his vehicle, he dropped his .38 Derringer which was not in a holster. The gun hit the ground and fired, striking him in the leg. The bullet traveled up through his leg and caused internal injuries. Lawrence was taken to the hospital where he died.

Source: "UPDATE: Corrections officer dies of accidental shooting," *kwwl.com*, February 26, 2016.

Iowa

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Alexander M. Kozak

CONVICTED

Date: June 12, 2015

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On June 12, 2015, concealed handgun permit holder Alexander M. Kozak, 22, allegedly shot and killed Andrea Farrington, 20 at the Coral Ridge Mall where he worked as a security officer. According to news reports, Kozak was working at the mall on the night of the shooting, but left the mall and traveled to his home to retrieve his 9mm Glock handgun before returning to the mall where he allegedly shot Andrea Farrington in the back three times, then fled. Farrington was working at the mall's information desk near the food court when she was shot. Kozak was issued a concealed carry permit on July 15, 2014 which was revoked following the shooting. Kozak was captured in Scott County and charged with first-degree murder.

UPDATE: On April 25, 2016, Alexander Kozak was found guilty of first degree murder in the death of Andrea Farrington.

Source: "Alexander Kozak guilty of first-degree murder in mall shooting," *press-citizen.com*, April 25, 2016; "Sheriff: Coral Ridge Mall shooter had permit to carry," *The Gazette*, June 15, 2015; "Officials say they won't comment on Coral Ridge Mall shooter's motive," *kcrg.com*, June 15, 2015.

Iowa

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Aaron E. Scott

SUICIDE

Date: April 1, 2014

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On April 1, 2014, concealed handgun permit holder Aaron E. Scott, 30, shot and killed himself following a shootout with a police officer in Maquoketa, Iowa. The police officer, Sgt. Brendan Zeimet, saw Scott sitting alone in his truck just before 3 a.m. He approached the vehicle and determined that Scott was intoxicated. Scott eventually exited the vehicle and raised an assault rifle from behind the truck's door, ignoring the officer's order to put the gun down, at which point the officer fired. In the ensuing shootout, Scott fired between 14 and 19 times, hitting his own truck door at least seven times, Zeimet's squad car at least five times, and shooting Zeimet once in the arm. Shortly thereafter, Scott was found dead of a self-inflicted gunshot wound. Scott was found with a cache of ammunition and three other weapons: a rifle, a shotgun, and a handgun. According to a county attorney, he had a history of mental health problems and alcohol abuse. Scott had argued with his girlfriend and left a suicide note at his home that night. Scott also held a grudge against Maquoketa police and told his ex-wife that he "had a score to settle."

Source: "Video shows gunfight erupt in Maquoketa," *Dubuque Telegraph Herald*, April 15, 2014.

Iowa

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Dennis L. Koopman

SUICIDE

Date: February 21, 2014

People Killed: 2 (including shooter)

Circumstances: On February 21, 2014, concealed handgun permit holder Dennis L. Koopman, 54, shot and killed his estranged wife, LuElla Koopman, 52, and then took his own life. The shooting took place in front of LuElla Koopman's condominium in Cedar Rapids, Iowa. According to police, Dennis Koopman used his own vehicle to block in his wife after she parked her car. He then got out of the vehicle and opened fire with an AR-15 assault rifle, killing her, before turning the rifle on himself. Police say Koopman was also armed with a handgun. The couple had been married since 1981, and Dennis Koopman's mother said his wife had asked him for a divorce the previous month and then moved out of their home. His mother said "his heart was broken" because of the pending divorce. According to his mother, Koopman was an avid hunter who also enjoyed other outdoor activities.

Source: "Police identify suspect, victim in murder-suicide in southwest Cedar Rapids," *The Gazette*, February 24, 2014.

Iowa

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Robert Livingston

SUICIDE

Date: January 30, 2014

People Killed: 3 (including shooter)

Circumstances: On January 30, 2014 concealed handgun permit holder Robert Livingston, 47, shot and killed his 41-year-old wife Ingrid Huber Livingston and his 73-year old mother-in-law Linda Huber before taking his own life in Huber's home. Livingston's two minor daughters were inside their grandmother's home at the time, but were unhurt. Cedar Rapids police had been called to Livingston's home just two nights before the shooting, and had visited his home a total of six times since the prior June. Livingston had been issued his concealed carry permit on January 17, 2013.

Source: "Police say officers visited Cedar Rapids home two nights before shooting deaths," www.thegazette.com, January 31, 2014.

Iowa

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Benton Wingrove

CONVICTED

Date: March 16, 2013

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On March 16, 2013, concealed handgun permit holder Benton Wingrove, 27, shot and killed Adam Lary, 29 following an argument at Cheers, a bar in Dow City, Iowa. After arguing in the bar, Wingrove and Lary left Cheers to take the argument outside. Wingrove eventually returned, out of breath. He then went back outside the bar and witnesses reported hearing multiple gunshots and a car engine revving. Wingrove later called 911 and reported that he shot his pistol at a car that swerved. When police arrived on the scene they found Wingrove with his 40 caliber Springfield Armory pistol laying nearby on the ground. At least 15 bullet casings were found at the scene of the shooting, and the shots struck Lary's Ford Taurus in several locations. Lary was struck in the chest and died at the hospital a short time later. Wingrove was charged with first degree murder and several lesser charges. In August 2013, Wingrove plead guilty to voluntary manslaughter, reckless use of a firearm, and intimidation with a dangerous weapon with the intent to injure or provoke fear. In September 2013, Wingrove was sentenced to 30 years in prison.

Source: "Dow City, Iowa man sentenced for murder," *ktiv.com*, September 27, 2013; "Wingrove pleads guilty," *Denison Bulletin & Review*, August 27, 2013; "Man accused of murder fired 15 shots at victim's car," *Daily Times Herald*, March 26, 2013.

Kansas

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Name Not Provided

CONVICTED

Date: 2017

People Killed: 2

Circumstances: In 2017, the State of Kansas Office of the Attorney General reported that two Kansas concealed handgun permit holders were convicted of murder. In its annual report, the State of Kansas Office of the Attorney General does not release the offender's name, the exact date of the event, nor the type of weapon used in the homicide.

Source: *State of Kansas, Office of the Attorney General*, letter to Governor and legislature, December 18, 2017.

Kansas

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Name Not Provided

CONVICTED

Date: 2016

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: In 2016, the State of Kansas Office of the Attorney General reported that one Kansas concealed handgun permit holder was convicted of Involuntary Manslaughter. In its annual report, the State of Kansas Office of the Attorney General does not release the offender's name, the exact date of the event, nor the type of weapon used in the homicide.

Source: *State of Kansas, Office of the Attorney General*, letter to Governor and legislature, December 14, 2016.

Kansas

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Name Not Provided

CONVICTED

Date: 2015

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: In 2015, the State of Kansas Office of the Attorney General reported that one Kansas concealed handgun permit holder was convicted of vehicular homicide. In its annual report, the State of Kansas Office of the Attorney General does not release the offender's name, the exact date of the event, nor the type of weapon used in the homicide.

Source: *State of Kansas, Office of the Attorney General*, letter to Governor and legislature, December 17, 2015.

Kansas

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Name Not Provided

CONVICTED

Date: 2014

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: In 2014, the State of Kansas Office of the Attorney General reported that one Kansas concealed handgun permit holder was convicted of premeditated 1st degree murder. In its annual report, the State of Kansas Office of the Attorney General does not release the offender's name, the exact date of the event, nor the type of weapon used in the homicide.

Source: *State of Kansas, Office of the Attorney General*, letter to Governor and legislature, December 17, 2014.

Kansas

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Name Not Provided

CONVICTED

Date: 2013

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: In 2013, the State of Kansas Office of the Attorney General reported that one Kansas concealed handgun permit holder was convicted of involuntary manslaughter (vehicle). In its annual report, the State of Kansas Office of the Attorney General does not release the offender's name, the exact date of the event, nor the type of weapon used in the homicide.

Source: *State of Kansas, Office of the Attorney General*, letter to Governor and legislature, December 18, 2013.

Kansas

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Ronald Harner

CONVICTED

Date: June 2, 2012

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On June 2, 2012, concealed handgun permit holder Ronald Harner, 48, shot and killed his girlfriend, Jolie Crosby, 41, with a five-shot 38 caliber revolver. Harner claimed that the handgun fired unintentionally as he was trying to unload it. As Harner told detectives, "It was cocked. It freaking went off. I didn't think there were even any bullets in the freaking thing. It just went off." Harner was charged with second-degree murder. During his trial, a firearms expert stated that it was unlikely that the revolver would have fired while being unloaded. Although Harner usually carried a 45 caliber handgun, he had borrowed the smaller 38 caliber revolver from a friend so he could carry it in the waistband of his shorts while attending the Wichita River Festival. The night before the shooting, Harner had been stopped at a DUI checkpoint where he failed a sobriety test, having drunk eight beers prior. Upon returning to Crosby's house at 2:00 AM the next day, Crosby asked Harner to unload the .38, afraid that Crosby would fall asleep and that the four children sleeping in the house might find it. On June 10, 2013, Harner was convicted of reckless second-degree murder in the death of Jolie Crosby and faces a minimum of more than nine years in prison.

UPDATE: In July 2013, Ronald Harner was sentenced to 10 years and three months in prison. In August 2015, an appeals court upheld Harner's conviction.

Source: *State of Kansas v. Ronald E. Harner*, Court of Appeals of Kansas, August 7, 2015; "Hutchinson man gets maximum sentence in woman's 2012 shooting death," *kansas.com*, July 31, 2013; "Hutchinson man convicted in shooting death of Wichita woman," *The Wichita Eagle*, June 11, 2013; "Murder suspect told detectives that shooting was accidental," *The Wichita Eagle*, June 6, 2013.

Kansas

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Name Not Provided

CONVICTED

Date: 2009

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: In 2009, the State of Kansas Office of the Attorney General reported that one Kansas concealed handgun permit holder was convicted of 2nd degree murder. In its annual report, the State of Kansas Office of the Attorney General does not release the offender's name, the exact date of the event, nor the type of weapon used in the homicide.

Source: *State of Kansas, Office of the Attorney General*, letter to Governor and legislature, January 4, 2010.

Kentucky

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Devone Frank Briggs

PENDING

Date: February 23, 2019

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On February 23, 2019, concealed handgun permit holder Devone Frank Briggs, 30, allegedly shot and killed Jose Munoz, 25, in the crowded lobby of an Olive Garden in Louisville, Kentucky. Before the shooting, Briggs pushed the four-year-old child of Munoz's girlfriend because the child had bumped into him at least twice. The child's mother told Briggs not to touch her child and an argument ensued. Munoz's family said that Briggs made racist comments about their Mexican heritage. Munoz attempted to deescalate the situation, but when he stepped in front of his girlfriend he was pushed by Briggs. Munoz pushed back and Briggs then allegedly shot him in response. Briggs was charged with murder and seven counts of first degree wanton endangerment related to the seven people who were nearby in the restaurant when the shooting occurred.

UPDATE: The trial of Devone Briggs, which had been scheduled for summer 2021 was postponed until January 2022.

Sources: "Family of victim mourns a 'setback' as trial for murder at Louisville Olive Garden postponed again," *wdrb.com*, April 29, 2021; "Man accused in Louisville Olive Garden killing indicted," *courier-journal.com*, April 4, 2019.

Kentucky

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Damien Lacambra

CONVICTED

Date: April 24, 2016

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On April 24, 2016, concealed handgun permit holder Damien Lacambra shot and killed his wife, Amelia, in Louisville, Kentucky. Lacambra, an Army veteran with firearm experience, had left the service in 2015. Lacambra claimed his Blackhawk handgun fired unintentionally as he withdrew it from its holster in preparation for cleaning the weapon, hitting his wife in the head. According to police, Lacambra admitted the gun was approximately six inches from his wife's head when the bullet discharged, hitting her in the face. According to Lacambra, he was pointing the gun at her expecting her to say "Don't do that anymore." Lacambra received his concealed carry permit about eight weeks before the shooting. "Been around weapons a lot, this you'd think would be the last person it would happen to," Lacambra told detectives following the killing. Lacambra pleaded not guilty to murder charges.

UPDATE: On December 8, 2017, Damien Lacambra was found guilty of manslaughter in the second degree in the death of his wife. He was sentenced to 10 years in prison.

Sources: "Louisville man sentenced in wife's shooting death," *wlky.com*, December 8, 2017; "Army veteran: 'I'm blaming me' in calling wife's shooting accidental," *WHAS*, July 05, 2016.

Kentucky

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Kalob Carter

CONVICTED

Date: February 23, 2016

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On February 23, 2016, concealed handgun permit holder Kalob Carter, 25, allegedly shot and killed Ernest Matthew (Matt) Davis, 30, following an argument at Davis' residence. Carter had gone with his girlfriend to his sister's house to bring her cigarettes. While he was there, Matt Davis came home from work and began arguing with Angie Davis (Carter's sister). According to Angie Davis, the argument was "heated" and Matt Davis followed her into the bathroom, at one point knocking a plastic dustpan out of her hand. Carter attempted to intervene and Matt Davis confronted him and told him to leave. The confrontation continued as they moved toward the front door of the house, at which point Carter allegedly fired one shot from a handgun that he kept in the front pocket of his hooded sweatshirt, striking Matt Davis in the face. Carter was arrested and charged with first degree manslaughter.

UPDATE: On June 26, 2019, Kalob Carter pleaded guilty to reckless homicide in the death of Ernest Matthew Davis. On September 17, 2019, Carter was sentenced to 60 days in jail and five years of probation.

Source: "Allen County man sentenced in shooting death of brother-in-law," *wbko.com*, September 17, 2019; "Allen man pleads guilty in death of brother-in-law," *bgdailynews.com*, June 27, 2019; "Case against man accused of fatally shooting his brother-in-law goes to a grand jury," *bgdailynews.com*, March 24, 2016.

Kentucky

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Name Not Provided

CONVICTED

Date: Between January 1, 2015 and December 31, 2015

People Killed: 8

Circumstances: Between January 1, 2015 and December 31, 2015, Kentucky State Police report that one Kentucky concealed handgun permit holder was convicted of complicity to murder - domestic violence, two Kentucky concealed handgun permit holders were convicted of second degree manslaughter, two Kentucky concealed handgun permit holders were convicted of murder, one Kentucky concealed handgun permit holder was convicted of murder - domestic violence, and two Kentucky concealed handgun permit holders were convicted of reckless homicide. In their annual report, the Kentucky State Police do not release the offender's name, the exact date of the event, nor the type of weapon used in the homicide.

Source: *Concealed Deadly Weapons Annual Statistical Reports, Period from 01/01/2015 to 12/31/2015*, Kentucky State Police.

Kentucky

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Name Not Provided

CONVICTED

Date: Between January 1, 2014 and December 31, 2014

People Killed: 10

Circumstances: Between January 1, 2014 and December 31, 2014, Kentucky State Police report that five Kentucky concealed handgun permit holders were convicted of first degree manslaughter, two Kentucky concealed handgun permit holders were convicted of second degree manslaughter, one Kentucky concealed handgun permit holder was convicted of murder, and two Kentucky concealed handgun permit holders were convicted of reckless homicide. In their annual report, the Kentucky State Police do not release the offender's name, the exact date of the event, nor the type of weapon used in the homicide.

Source: *Concealed Deadly Weapon Permits Annual Statistical Reports, Period from 01/01/2014 to 12/31/2014*, Kentucky State Police.

Kentucky

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Name Not Provided

CONVICTED

Date: Between January 1, 2013 and December 31, 2013

People Killed: 6

Circumstances: Between January 1, 2013 and December 31, 2013, Kentucky State Police report that two Kentucky concealed handgun permit holders were convicted of complicity to murder, and four Kentucky concealed handgun permit holders were convicted of second degree manslaughter. In their annual report, the Kentucky State Police do not release the offender's name, the exact date of the event, nor the type of weapon used in the homicide.

Source: *Concealed Deadly Weapons Annual Statistical Reports, Period from 01/01/2013 to 12/31/2013*, Kentucky State Police.

Kentucky

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Name Not Provided

CONVICTED

Date: Between January 1, 2012 and December 31, 2012

People Killed: 3

Circumstances: Between January 1, 2012 and December 31, 2012, Kentucky State Police report that two Kentucky concealed handgun permit holders were convicted of murder, and one Kentucky concealed handgun permit holder was convicted of reckless homicide. In their annual report, the Kentucky State Police do not release the offender's name, the exact date of the event, nor the type of weapon used in the homicide.

Source: *Concealed Deadly Weapons Annual Statistical Reports, Period from 01/01/2012 to 12/31/2012*, Kentucky State Police.

Kentucky

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Kenneth Allen Keith

CONVICTED

Date: September 20, 2013

People Killed: 3

Circumstances: On September 20, 2013, concealed handgun permit holder Kenneth Allen Keith, 48, allegedly shot and killed Michael Hockensmith, 35, his wife Angela Hockensmith, 38, and Daniel Smith, 60, at Gold Games and More, a store owned by the Hockensmiths. Smith was a gold broker who was visiting the store, carrying a briefcase with an estimated \$40,000 in cash. Keith allegedly killed the three during the course of a robbery. The shooting happened in the presence of the Hockensmiths' two children ages nine and 14 months. The nine-year-old called 911 after the shooting, telling the dispatcher that his parents were dead, lying on the floor. Keith, a Pulaski county minister, was charged with three counts of murder and one count of robbery.

UPDATE: On May 26, 2017, Kenneth Allen Keith pleaded guilty to murder, robbery, and burglary charges and was sentenced to life in prison without the possibility of parole, plus 20 years in prison on each robbery and burglary charge.

Source: "Ex-preacher pleads guilty to murder of three in pawn shop, will serve life without parole," *kentucky.com*, May 26, 2017; "Warrants provide more details in Danville triple homicide," *kentucky.com*, October 14, 2013.

Kentucky

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Marquinta Jacobs

CONVICTED

Date: April 3, 2013

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On April 3, 2013, U.S. Army Sergeant Marquinta Jacobs, 36, a concealed handgun permit holder, shot and killed Lloyd R. Gibert, 51. Jacobs had returned from a deployment to Afghanistan, during which he had learned that his wife was having an affair with Gibert. Upon his return, Jacobs and his wife reconciled, but the affair apparently continued. According to court testimony, following the discovery of emails from Gibert to his wife, the husband and wife fought and Jacobs left the house. The next day Jacobs drove to Human Resources Command at Fort Knox, Kentucky, where both his wife and Gibert worked. Jacobs entered the building and saw Gibert, recognizing him from his Facebook profile picture. While waiting for his wife in the parking lot, Jacobs saw Gibert walking towards him. Jacobs drove his truck up to Gibert and fired approximately eight times with his 45 caliber handgun, killing him. Jacobs told a judge: "I saw Mr. Gibert as an enemy to my family and decided to eliminate the threat." On January 9, 2014, Jacobs pled guilty to premeditated murder and a charge of aggravated assault with a dangerous weapon. He was sentenced to up to 30 years in prison with parole eligibility after 10 years, received a dishonorable discharge, and was demoted in rank.

Sources: "Accused shooter pleads guilty; Sentenced to 30 years with eligibility of parole," *The News-Enterprise*, January 10, 2014; "Arrest made in Fort Knox shooting death," *UPI*, April 4, 2013.

Kentucky

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Christopher Gribbins

CONVICTED

Date: November 9, 2012

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On November 9, 2012, concealed handgun permit holder Christopher Gribbins, 46, shot and killed David Litsey, 22, outside the Raywick Bar and Grill, which Gribbins owned. Litsey had gone to the bar to celebrate his sister's birthday. When questioned by investigators on the night of the shooting, Gribbins denied that he was outside when the shooting took place, and claimed that he did not hear the shot. He also claimed according to a news report that he "heard some black guys had been fighting and some white guys were being drug around outside." A discrimination complaint had been filed against the bar under its former name "Susie's Bottoms Up," prior to Gribbins purchasing the business and renaming it. Later Gribbins changed his story, saying that on the night of the shooting he carried about \$6,000 from the bar in a bag tucked under his jacket and locked it in his truck. He claimed he encountered Litsey on his way back into the bar and that Litsey "got right up on me." Gribbins claimed he pushed Litsey back with his hands on Litsey's chest and that the pistol went off as he was protecting himself. On July 17, 2014, Gribbins was found guilty of wanton murder in the death of David Litsey. The jury recommended a sentence of 20 years in prison.

Source: "Gribbins found guilty of wanton murder," *Lebanon Enterprise*, July 17, 2014; "Man charged with murder in Raywick shooting," *wlky.com*, November 13, 2012.

Kentucky

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Gary Tussey

UNINTENTIONAL

Date: May 21, 2011

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On May 21, 2011, concealed handgun permit holder Gary Tussey took his family to dinner at Cheddars Restaurant in Ashland, Kentucky. After the family had eaten, Gary Tussey stayed inside the restaurant to pay the bill while his wife Brandy took the couple's two children out to the family's SUV. While Brandy Tussey was putting their infant child into a safety seat in the back of the vehicle, two-year-old Addison climbed into the front seat. According to law enforcement, "While the mother was tending to the infant, she heard a 'pop' and looked up and saw her daughter slumped over the passenger seat." The toddler had found a handgun that Gary Tussey had left in the vehicle's center console and fatally shot herself in the face. The case was brought before a grand jury but no criminal liability was found.

Source: "NEW INFO: No Criminal Charges in 2-Year-Old Shooting Death," *WSAZ NewsChannel 3*, June 14, 2011 (most recent story with prior stories and updates beginning May 21, 2011).

Kentucky

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Larry Wilson

CONVICTED

Date: July 31, 2009

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On July 31, 2009, Larry Wilson, 55, shot and killed Tod Carter, 38. The shooting came in the wake of an affair between Wilson and Carter's wife, Kristi, a waitress at the Root Beer Stand in Corbin. Kristi Carter described her 16-year marriage as "troubled." Said Carter, "He had a drug problem. I had a cheatin' problem, I guess you could say." In the summer of 2009, Kristi Carter was working her second season at the Root Beer Stand when she first began to talk to Wilson. She complimented his "shiny new Dodge car" while he began leaving her \$50 and \$100 tips. After a brief affair, Kristi and Tod Carter reconciled. Wilson, however, continued to try and leave her tips and sent her flowers once. Kristi Carter said she felt stalked. The night of the shooting, Wilson was eating at the Root Beer Stand when he was confronted by Tod Carter who hit him with his root beer mug, telling him, "I told you I'd get you, you SOB." Wilson admitted he drew his gun and fired, killing Carter, but claimed he did it in self defense. The prosecutor argued that Wilson went to the Root Beer Stand knowing Kristi Carter would be there and that his presence would provoke Tod Carter to confront him. He argued that Wilson couldn't "hide behind" a self-defense argument when he had provoked the incident. Wilson, who had a concealed handgun permit, was found guilty of second-degree manslaughter.

Source: "Wilson guilty of manslaughter," *The Times-Tribune*, March 5, 2010.

Kentucky

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Brian McGuire

CONVICTED

Date: June 9, 2009

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On June 9, 2009, concealed handgun permit holder Brian McGuire, 27, shot and killed fellow Leestown Middle School custodian Jose Daniel “Danny” Donato, 38, with a Smith & Wesson 9mm pistol. Donato was shot by McGuire 12 times at the school, including in the face, chest, groin, hand, leg, and knee. A total of 15 shell casings were found by his body. Tensions between the two janitors were longstanding, including shouting matches and allegations by McGuire that Donato had intimidated and threatened him with a pocket knife. On November 9, 2010, after four and half hours of deliberation, a jury found McGuire guilty of first-degree manslaughter and unlawful possession of a weapon on school property. The jury recommended the maximum sentence for each charge—20 years for manslaughter and five years for weapons possession—and that they be served concurrently.

Source: “Fayette schools custodian helper is found guilty of manslaughter,” *Lexington Herald-Leader*, November 10, 2010; “Leestown Middle School custodian’s murder trial begins,” *Lexington Herald-Leader*, November 2, 2010.

Kentucky

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** William Seidl

CONVICTED

Date: August 25, 2008

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On August 25, 2008, William Seidl allegedly shot and killed his wife, Dorene Seidl, in their home. Prior to the shooting, on August 8, 2008, an emergency protection order was issued until Dorene Seidl's petition for a protective order could be heard by a judge. Yet on August 20, 2008, a family court judge denied the order, saying there was not sufficient evidence that domestic violence had occurred. Five days later, Dorene Seidl was shot and died of multiple gunshot wounds. William Seidl, who had a concealed handgun permit, was charged with murder and arraigned on September 8, 2008.

Update: Seidl was convicted in March 2010 of killing his wife. The jury recommended a sentence of 35 years.

Source: "William Seidl verdict: GUILTY," *FOX41.com*, March 19, 2010; "Slain woman feared husband," *The Louisville Courier-Journal*, August 28, 2008; Media Release, Louisville Prosecutor's Office, September 8, 2008.

Louisiana

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Kevin Stokes

PENDING

Date: July 27, 2020

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On July 27, 2020, concealed handgun permit holder Kevin Stokes, 54, allegedly shot and killed Kevin Thomas, 34, following a dispute over a car title. Stokes had asked to meet with his girlfriend's daughter to talk with her about several traffic tickets he had received connected to a car that he had sold to her. But the woman's boyfriend, Kevin Thomas, arrived to meet him instead. Stokes claims that Thomas got out of his car holding a pistol and that Stokes then grabbed his own gun before shooting Thomas, who died at the scene. Stokes claims he acted in self defense, but investigators arrested Stokes, charging him with second degree murder after two witnesses alleged that he was the aggressor. Stokes claimed his actions were justifiable under Louisiana's "stand your ground" law. If convicted of murder, Stokes could be sentenced to life in prison.

Source: "Man accused of fatal North Claiborne Avenue shooting claims he shot in self-defense," *nola.com*, July 30, 2020.

Louisiana

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Unidentified

PENDING

Date: April 14, 2020

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On April 14, 2020 an unidentified Louisiana concealed handgun permit holder was charged with negligent homicide. In their annual report, the Louisiana State Police do not release the offender's name, nor the type of weapon used in the homicide.

Source: "Concealed Handgun Permit Unit Annual Legislative Report," Louisiana Department of Public Safety, Office of State Police, 2020.

Louisiana

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Name Not Provided

PENDING

Date: December 31, 2017

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: According to the Louisiana Department of Public Safety and Corrections, on December 31, 2017 an unnamed concealed handgun permit holder allegedly stabbed a man to death after an argument. According to witnesses, the permit holder and victim were seen arguing before entering a home and could be heard continuing to argue once inside. The permit holder told police that the victim “walked up” on her and she stabbed him. The permit holder was charged with second degree murder.

Source: *Concealed Handgun Permit Unit Annual Legislative Report*, Louisiana Department of Public Safety, Office of State Police, 2017.

Louisiana

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Jerry Ronald Seals

PENDING

Date: February 14, 2015

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On February 14, 2015, concealed handgun permit holder Jerry Ronald Seals, 52, allegedly shot and killed James Allen Orgeron, 44, in the parking lot of a McDonald's restaurant in Lafayette. According to police, Seals drove up to Orgeron as he was sitting in his vehicle in the parking lot, began arguing with him, then allegedly pulled out a handgun and opened fire. Orgeron died at the scene. Seals was arrested and charged with second degree murder.

Sources: "Concealed Handgun Permit Unit Annual Legislative Report, 2015," *Louisiana Department of Public Safety Office of State Police*; "UPDATE – Lafayette man arrested in shooting at Lafayette McDonald's," *kpel965.com*, February 14, 2015.

Louisiana

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Robert E. Jenks

PENDING

Date: June 28, 2014

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On June 28, 2014, concealed handgun permit holder Robert E. Jenks, 45, allegedly shot and killed Harold Bart Oliphant, Sr., 55, after an altercation at a bar in Ponchatoula. According to police, the two men were arguing when Jenks produced a handgun and allegedly shot Oliphant in the abdomen. Oliphant died at a nearby medical facility. Jenks was arrested and charged with second degree murder and possession of a firearm in an alcoholic beverage outlet.

Sources: "Concealed Handgun Permit Unit Annual Legislative Report, 2014," *Louisiana Department of Public Safety, Office of State Police*; "Jenks arrested for shooting death," *tangilena.com*, June 30, 2014.

Louisiana

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Durrelle Bowens

CONVICTED

Date: March 24, 2011

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On March 24, 2011, concealed handgun permit holder Durrelle Bowens, 23, shot and killed Toriano “Tito” Livas outside Eddie St. Cyr’s Auto Shop. As Livas was leaving the auto shop, Bowens arrived with his girlfriend and other family members including his one-year-old nephew. A verbal dispute ensued between Livas and Bowens which escalated into a physical altercation. A gun battle then took place between Bowens and Livas. When both men ran out of ammunition, Livas attempted to flee, but Bowens re-loaded his gun and shot Livas in the back of his leg. Livas again tried to flee, but Bowens shot him again. Finally, Livas was lying on the ground pleading for his life when Bowens shot him several more times in the head and torso. Bowens fled the scene and was later apprehended in Texas. Livas was shot eight times, including once in the arm, twice in the torso, once in the back of the knee, once in the hip, and three times in the head. In total, Bowens fired 17 rounds of ammunition. As one witness described the shooting, “It felt like the gunshots went on forever.” On January 25, 2012, Bowen was found guilty of manslaughter. On February 1, 2012, he was sentenced to 40 years in prison. On December 10, 2014 an appeals court affirmed the verdict and sentence in the case.

Source: *State of Louisiana versus Durrelle D. Bowens*, Court of Appeal of Louisiana, Fourth Circuit, December 10, 2014; “Gunman convicted of manslaughter in 2011 Central City slaying near New Orleans College Prep,” *uptownmessenger.com*, January 27, 2012.

Maine

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Merrill “Mike” Kimball

CONVICTED

Date: October 6, 2013

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On October 6, 2013, concealed handgun permit holder Merrill “Mike” Kimball, 70, shot and killed Leon Kelley, 63, following a confrontation at Brown’s Bee Farm, a beekeeping business in North Yarmouth, Maine. Kimball was on the property to help his wife, who works at the bee farm, retrieve the honey she had processed. Stan Brown, the owner of the bee farm, said that he had issues with Kimball in the past and he was not allowed on the property. According to Kelley’s stepdaughter Robin Rawnsley-Dutil, Kelley placed his hands on Kimball’s arms “to turn him” and then asked him to wait off the property until the sheriff arrived. At that point, she testified that she heard four gun shots. Kimball acknowledged shooting and killing Kelley but claimed he acted in self-defense. In April 2015, Kimball was found guilty of murder, with the Assistant Attorney General explaining, “People have a right to carry firearms, but the law only provides the use of firearms for defense in very particular, limited circumstances. This was not one of them” Kimball faces a minimum sentence of 25 years in prison.

Source: “Jury delivers guilty verdict in bee farm murder trial,” *wcsh6.com*, April 15, 2015; “Victim’s widow, stepdaughter give different accounts of bee farm shooting,” *Bangor Daily News*, April 7, 2015; “Attorney: Shooting of North Yarmouth man was self-defense,” *pressherald.com*, October 9, 2013.

Maine

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Matthew Partridge

CONVICTED

Date: December 4, 2012

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On December 4, 2012, concealed handgun permit holder Matthew Partridge, 30, shot and killed Justin Smith, 26, following an altercation outside a bar. According to prosecutors, Smith punched Partridge while he was sitting in his pickup truck outside the You Know Who's Pub. Smith then retreated with his hands in the air when he saw that Partridge had a gun. Partridge fired two shots from his Sig Sauer handgun, one of which struck Smith in the head. Smith was pronounced dead on his arrival at the hospital. Partridge drove off following the shooting and was apprehended by a state trooper about 20 minutes later. According to Partridge's mother, he obtained a concealed weapon permit several months before the shooting. In August 2013, Partridge pleaded guilty to manslaughter and was sentenced to 25 years in prison with 10 of those years suspended, and four years of probation.

Source: "Matthew Partridge pleads guilty to shooting man outside Waterville pub," *sunjournal.com*, August 7, 2013; "Guilty plea nets Winslow man 15 years in Waterville shooting," *Portland Press Herald*, August 7, 2013.

Maryland

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Brian Delen

PENDING

Date: December 27, 2023

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On December 27, 2023, concealed carry permit holder Brian Delen allegedly shot and killed Meghan Lewis following an altercation. According to charging documents, Delen was delivering food when he saw Lewis, who identified as a transgender woman, walking toward his car. Delen said, “Are you waiting for a food delivery sir?” According to Delen, Lewis took offense to what she believed was Delen misgendering her and began yelling at him. Delen began to drive away when Lewis followed on foot. After Delen stopped his vehicle, a physical altercation took place. Delen allegedly shot Lewis during the altercation. She was taken to the hospital where she later died. Delen was charged with second degree murder, first degree assault, and a gun charge.

Sources: “Man charged with killing transgender woman following argument in Harford County,” *wmar2news.com*, December 29, 2023.

Maryland

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Carlos Lavanto Garner

PENDING

Date: May 8, 2023

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On May 8, 2023, concealed carry permit holder Carlos Lavanto Garner, 37, allegedly shot and killed Carl Francis Braxton, 30, following a confrontation in Bryans Road, Maryland. Prior to the shooting, Braxton reportedly assaulted his girlfriend inside their townhouse. After the assault, the woman escaped. Braxton saw Garner walking his dog and allegedly threatened him and “aggressively” walked toward him. Garner then allegedly shot Braxton who was taken to the hospital where he died. Braxton was an eight-year veteran of D.C. Fire and EMS. In December 2023, Garner was arrested and charged with second degree murder, manslaughter, and felony use of a firearm.

Sources: “Bryans Road man charged in fatal shooting of DC firefighter,” *wtop.com*, December 22, 2023.

Maryland

■ **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Darrin Anthony White

CONVICTED

Date: April 11, 2023

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On April 11, 2023, concealed handgun permit holder Darrin Anthony White, 25, allegedly shot and killed Erwin Bernard Redding, 38, outside Jokers Bar and Grill in Funkstown. According to surveillance footage, the incident began with an argument around a pool table, and turned physical as the men involved moved to a bar area near a side door of the establishment. White allegedly approached Redding and the two men argued “chest to chest” before White pushed Redding and a bartender tried to intervene. Redding then allegedly punched White twice in the head and neck area. A second bartender tried to intervene as the fight continued. After bartenders briefly separated the men, Redding went behind the bar and allegedly retrieved a metal knife and swung it at White. More punches were exchanged when White allegedly removed a handgun from his waistband, holding it at his side as the two men argued. White then put the gun back in his waistband. White left the bar before returning, talking to Redding, and leaving again. According to court documents, when Redding left the bar the two men exchanged words and White walked toward Redding with the gun in his right hand. Redding walked down the bar’s steps toward the sidewalk and White took three steps back before allegedly raising the gun and shooting. White allegedly fired at least nine shots at Redding, striking him in the arm and head. Redding was taken to Meritus Medical Center where he was pronounced dead. After the shooting, White got into a car with another man and left the scene. The next morning White’s attorney contacted investigators and claimed that White was assaulted and stabbed by Redding and that White shot him in self defense. White turned himself in to police and was charged with first and second degree murder, felony first degree assault, and several misdemeanors including the use of a firearm in the commission of a felony or violent crime.

UPDATE: In February 2024, White pleaded guilty to second degree murder. In June 2024 he was sentenced to 28 years in prison.

Sources: “Hagerstown man sentenced in fatal shooting...,” *heraldmailmedia.com*, June 18, 2024; “Hagerstown man pleads to murder of local man outside...” *heraldmailmedia.com*, February 6, 2024; “Hagerstown man charged with murder after bar fight in nearby Funkstown,” *heraldmailmedia.com*, April 12, 2023.

Maryland

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Charles Edward “Pete” Richter Jr.

CONVICTED

Date: April 3, 2011

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On April 3, 2011, Charles Edward “Pete” Richter Jr., 66, shot and killed his neighbor Mark Xander, 55, after Xander’s Rottweiler went on to Richter’s property. Richter’s defense attorney told a judge deciding bail that Richter had a permit to carry a handgun issued by the Maryland State Police. Richter was charged with first-degree murder, second-degree murder, manslaughter, first-degree assault, second-degree assault, and use of a handgun in a felony crime.

UPDATE: On May 17, 2012, Charles Edward “Pete” Richter Jr. was found guilty of second-degree murder and the use of a handgun to commit a crime of violence in the death of Mark Xander.

Source: “Richter guilty of 2nd-degree murder,” *stardem.com*, May 18, 2012; “Stevensville man, accused of killing neighbor in dispute over dog, claims self defense,” *cecilwhig.com*, April 7, 2011.

Maryland

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Paul Warren Pardus

SUICIDE

Date: September 16, 2010

People Killed: 2

Circumstances: On September 16, 2010, Virginia concealed handgun permit holder Paul Warren Pardus, 50, shot and wounded Johns Hopkins Hospital physician David B. Cohen with a semiautomatic handgun Pardus had hidden in his waistband. Pardus then retreated to a room where he shot and killed his 84-year-old mother, Jean Davis, before taking his own life at the Baltimore, MD, hospital. According to Police Commissioner Frederick H. Bealefeld III, Pardus “became emotionally distraught and reacted...and was overwhelmed by the news of his mother’s condition.” Pardus’ mother suffered from arthritis and rheumatism and had undergone surgery the prior week. Regarding the possible motive for the attack, Pardus’ brother stated, “I guess because he thought my mom was suffering because the surgery wasn’t successful and she probably wouldn’t be able to walk again. She was a dear, sweet lady.”

Source: “Distraught Hopkins Gunman Kills Self, Mom,” *cbsnews.com*, September 16, 2010; Arlington County, Virginia Circuit Court record of Commonwealth Response to Concealed Handgun Permit Application.

Massachusetts

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Nathan Allen

SHOT AND KILLED DURING INCIDENT

Date: June 26, 2021

People Killed: 3 (including shooter)

Circumstances: On June 26, 2021, concealed handgun permit holder Nathan Allen, 28, shot and killed David Green, 58, and Ramona Cooper, 60, before being shot and killed by police. Both victims were Black and police are investigating the attack as a hate crime. Police originally responded to what they thought was a traffic accident as Allen crashed a stolen plumbing truck into a building. The County District Attorney said Allen was driving at twice the speed limit when he crashed, and that he may have been trying to reach Jewish temples in the area. Cooper, a 60-year Air Force veteran, was shot three times in the back and Green, a retired Massachusetts State Police officer, was shot four times in the head and three times in the torso. Allen was shot by police and then taken to Mass General Hospital where he died. According to the District Attorney, Allen “walked by several other people that were not Black and they are alive. They were not harmed.” Allen had no criminal history and a Ph.D. The District Attorney also stated, “...yesterday afternoon he stole a box truck, crashed it into another vehicle and a property, walked away from the wreckage interacting with multiple individuals and choosing only to shoot and kill the two Black people he encountered. This individual wrote about the superiority of the white race. About whites being ‘apex predators.’ He drew swastikas.”

Source: “‘A despicable act’: Winthrop shooting rampage being investigated as hate crime,” *nbcboston.com*, June 28, 2021.

Massachusetts

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Jesse Brooks

SUICIDE

Date: June 22, 2021

People Killed: 2 (including shooter)

Circumstances: On June 22, 2021, concealed handgun permit holder Jesse Brooks, 38, shot and killed Jamie Dickson, 34, before turning the gun on himself. Police responded to a 911 call from Dickson and when they arrived at the house, they found her dead inside the kitchen. Police then found Brooks outside the back of the home, also dead of an apparent gunshot wound. Police believe that Brooks shot Dickson, then himself. Both Brooks and Dickson had concealed carry permits. Three children were inside the home at the time of the shooting. A 13-year-old boy picked up a four-year-old child and fled to a neighbor's home. Police removed a three-year-old child from inside the home.

Source: "Names of deceased released in apparent murder-suicide," *thisweekinworcester.com*, June 24, 2021.

Massachusetts

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Emilio Matarazzo

CONVICTED

Date: December 19, 2018

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On December 19, 2018, concealed handgun permit holder Emilio Matarazzo, 55, allegedly shot and killed his wife Ersilia Cataldo Matarazzo, 50, inside her car at her parents' home on Central Ave. in Everett, Massachusetts. Cataldo Matarazzo had filed for divorce in November after 30 years of marriage, and had temporarily moved in with her parents. She told a friend that her husband had become violent and also told her family that at one point he had strangled her. Reports said that Emilio Matarazzo tried to win her back by sending her chocolates, an apology letter, and a check for \$20,000. Cataldo Matarazzo sent the check back. On the day of the incident police responded to reports of a fatal shooting. When they arrived they discovered that Cataldo Matarazzo had been shot several times in the torso. Emilio Matarazzo talked to his son 10 minutes after shooting Cataldo Matarazzo and allegedly told him, "What is done is done." Matarazzo then turned himself in to the police where he is being held without bail. He was charged with murder.

UPDATE: In August 2023, Emilio Matarazzo was convicted of first degree murder in the death of Ersilia Matarazzo and was sentenced to life in prison without parole.

Sources: "Emilio Matarazzo sentenced to life in prison," *advocatenews.net*, August 11, 2023; "Emilio Matarazzo guilty of murder of wife Ersilia Cataldo Matarazzo," *middlesexda.com*, August 8, 2023; "Reports: Ersilia Cataldo Matarazzo, woman shot and killed in Everett, feared her husband and denied his attempts at reconciliation," *masslive.com*, December 20, 2018; "Husband held without bail in fatal shooting of wife in Everett," *boston25news.com*, December 20, 2018.

Massachusetts

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Davon Kelly-Griffin

CONVICTED

Date: September 8, 2017

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On September 8, 2017, concealed carry permit holder Davon Kelly-Griffin, 29, shot and killed Rakishon Pedraza, 27, on a walkway in Springfield, Massachusetts. According to his defense lawyer, Kelly-Griffin had exited a friend's vehicle and approached Pedraza to buy marijuana, but "in less than five seconds" was forced to shoot Pedraza because he thought he was going to pull a gun on him. Pedraza who was also armed, was shot five times but never used his gun. On February 4, 2019, Kelly-Griffin was found guilty of first degree murder. He was sentenced to life in prison with no possibility of parole. Kelly-Griffin was also found guilty of improper storage of a firearm for a gun that was found beneath the floor mat of his car on the day he was arrested two months after he shot Pedraza.

Sources: "Davon Kelly-Griffin sentenced to life in prison with no parole in Springfield murder of Rakishon Pedraza," *masslive.com*, February 6, 2019; "Jury finds Davon Kelly-Griffin guilty of first degree murder in Springfield shooting of Rakishon Pedraza," *masslive.com*, February 4, 2019; "Davon Kelly-Griffin will testify he killed Rakishon Pedraza in self defense, lawyer says as Springfield trial starts," *masslive.com*, January 28, 2019.

Massachusetts

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Jacinto Maldonado

CONVICTED

Date: August 22, 2016

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On August 22, 2016, concealed handgun permit holder Jacinto Maldonado, 42, allegedly shot and killed Carlos Maldonado, 24, outside an apartment building in Worcester, Massachusetts with a 45 caliber Glock pistol following a physical altercation. Maldonado is not related to the victim. According to police and court officials, the two men had been involved in an ongoing neighbor dispute. A search warrant affidavit stated that Jacinto Maldonado “feared for his life” and had been attacked by the victim and his two brothers prior to the shooting. Jacinto Maldonado’s wife, who was inside their apartment at the time of the shooting, told police she heard someone yell “We’re going to kill you” and then a gunshot. The victim was found bleeding in a driveway and was pronounced dead at the University of Massachusetts Medical Center-University Campus. Maldonado told police he owned four other guns in addition to the Glock used to kill the victim, including a second Glock pistol and an AR-15 assault rifle, which police recovered at an Auburn storage facility. Investigators also found boxes of ammunition and two 30-round magazines for an M-4 type rifle in an open safe in Maldonado’s apartment. Maldonado was held without bail in Worcester Superior Court after he was arraigned on murder, firearms, and assault charges.

UPDATE: On May 4, 2018, Jacinto Maldonado pleaded guilty to voluntary manslaughter, two counts of assault with a dangerous weapon (firearm), assault and battery, and discharging a firearm within 500 feet of a building in the death of Carlos Maldonado. He was sentenced to 10 to 12 years in prison on the manslaughter charge, and lesser, concurrent sentences on the other charges.

Sources: “Worcester man pleads guilty to manslaughter in shooting of his neighbor,” *telegram.com*, May 4, 2018; “Police say witness heard someone yell ‘We’re going to kill you’ before deadly dispute between neighbors,” *www.masslive.com*, February 2, 2017.

Massachusetts

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Ross Tucker

CONVICTED

Date: February 1, 2016

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On February 1, 2016, concealed handgun permit holder Ross Tucker, 23, allegedly shot and killed Eric Benedict, 25, at a residence both men were visiting in Haverhill, Massachusetts. Benedict was found suffering from a single gunshot wound to the head and was later pronounced dead at Lawrence General Hospital. It is unclear who owned the gun used to kill Benedict and who brought it to the residence the night Benedict was killed. Tucker was charged with involuntary manslaughter and carrying a firearm while under the influence of alcohol and marijuana.

UPDATE: In January 2017, Ross Tucker was found guilty of involuntary manslaughter in the death of Eric Benedict. On February 15, 2017, Tucker was sentenced to seven to 10 years in prison.

Sources: "Tucker sentenced to 7 to 10 years in prison for fatal Haverhill shooting," www.eagletribune.com, February 15, 2017; "Haverhill man on trial for manslaughter in friend's shooting death," www.eagletribune.com, January 18, 2017.

Massachusetts

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Patrick Riccardi-O'Connor

CONVICTED

Date: June 28, 2016

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On June 28, 2016, concealed handgun permit holder Patrick Riccardi-O'Connor, 23, allegedly shot and killed David Atherton, 24, in Atherton's home in Stoneham. The shooting took place after the two childhood friends had spent the evening drinking and playing with the gun. At one point, Riccardi-O'Connor swallowed a bullet before chasing it with a beer. Both men had served in the National Guard, Riccardi-O'Connor as an MP. Initially Riccardi-O'Connor stated that the victim had shot himself, but after being confronted with video the two had shot he admitted that "he had been fooling around with the gun and pointed it at the victim and pulled the trigger, but did not expect that a bullet would come out." Riccardi-O'Connor was charged with involuntary manslaughter, assault, and weapon charges.

UPDATE: In May 2019, Patrick Riccardi-O'Connor pleaded guilty to manslaughter, possession of a firearm while intoxicated, and discharging a firearm within 500 feet of a building. Riccardi-O'Connor was sentenced to five years of probation and ordered to: consume no drugs or alcohol and be subject to random screens; undergo mental health and alcohol treatment; sign medical waivers allowing probation officers to speak to his providers; and, not possess a firearm.

Sources: "Stoneham man pleads guilty to manslaughter," *middlesexda.com*, May 9, 2019; "EMT charged in deadly dare game," *Boston Herald*, June 30, 2016.

Massachusetts

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Stephen Pasceri

SUICIDE

Date: January 20, 2015

People Killed: 2 (including shooter)

Circumstances: On January 20, 2015, concealed handgun permit holder Stephen Pasceri, 55, shot and killed Dr. Michael Davidson, 44, at Brigham and Women's Hospital in Boston, Massachusetts before turning the gun on himself. Pasceri reportedly asked for Dr. Davidson and sought him out before the shooting. Pasceri's mother was reportedly treated by Dr. Davidson before she died in November 2014. According to Pasceri's sister, he had been handling her death well. She said, "This was not a bad, evil man. Something happened, and I don't know what."

Source: "Boston cardiac surgeon dies hours after hospital shooting," *UPI.com*, January 21, 2015; "Stephen Pasceri: 5 Fast Facts You Need to Know," *heavy.com*, January 20, 2015.

Massachusetts

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Name Unknown

UNINTENTIONAL

Date: September 29, 2012

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On September 29, 2012, David Wade, 17, was allegedly shot and killed by his 21-year-old brother, in the basement of their family home. Wade died of a single gunshot wound to the chest. Wade's brother, who was recently licensed to carry a firearm, was not charged in the shooting as it appeared to be accidental.

Source: "Stoughton, Mass. teen dies after being shot in chest," *www.necn.com*, September 29, 2012.

Massachusetts

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** David H. McCall

CONVICTED

Date: March 28, 2011

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On March 28, 2011, concealed handgun permit holder David H. McCall, 72, allegedly shot and killed his wife, Elaine, 69, with a handgun. According to news reports, the shooting occurred during an argument between the two in which Elaine Hall “vowed to quit cooking and caring” for Hall, and “ridiculed” him for missing her with his first shot. Police first heard of the incident when McCall dialed 911 that morning to report a murder and a suicide, apparently indicating that he was planning to take his own life. When police arrived, McCall was sitting in a chair in the kitchen, a medical walker in front of him. Elaine McCall was lying face up next to the front door, still alive. She was later pronounced dead at a local hospital. McCall reportedly told police that the two were standing near the front entrance of their home when they began arguing. McCall’s first shot missed his wife, but his second hit her in the chest. After the shooting McCall walked to the kitchen, where he apparently failed in an attempt to shoot himself. In court proceedings, the retired accountant “appeared weary and bewildered” and had to be lifted from his wheelchair and held up by court officers during the 15-minute legal proceeding. Hall was charged with murder and discharging a firearm within 500 feet of a building. He entered a plea of not guilty.

UPDATE: On September 25, 2012, David McCall pleaded guilty to second degree murder and three counts of improper storage of a firearm in the murder of his wife Elaine. McCall was sentenced to life in prison.

Source: “McCall pleads guilty to murdering wife,” *Wakefield Patch*, September 25, 2012; “Wakefield man killed wife, authorities say,” *Boston Globe*, March 29, 2011.

Massachusetts

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Jerry Bourque

PENDING

Date: September 7, 2010

People Killed: 2

Circumstances: On September 7, 2010, concealed handgun permit holder Jerry Bourque, 25, allegedly shot and killed Lakeem Tombs, 18, and Virgilio Dipre, 19, following an altercation that escalated into a gun battle that left Bourque hospitalized in critical but stable condition with six gunshot wounds. According to Bourque's mother, Bourque told her that he and a friend were sitting on his front steps when Tombs and Dipre approached and asked if they knew a woman named Veronica. Bourque answered in the negative, and the two men left. They returned moments later and asked Bourque to confirm the street they were on. They then allegedly began pistol-whipping Bourque, who drew his revolver and began firing. Police investigating the shooting executed a search warrant on Bourque's home and removed a number of items from the house. Malden Mayor Richard C. Howard said that drugs were recovered at the scene, but that it was unclear whether they had played a role in the gunfight. Howard told the press that authorities believe the shooting was not random, stating, "These people were there for some specific reason." State police assigned to the District Attorney's office are continuing to investigate the incident.

Source: "Second man dies after Salem Street shooting," *boston.com*, September 10, 2010; "1 killed, 2 wounded in Malden shoot-out," *boston.com*, September 8, 2010.

Massachusetts

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Brian Marchand

SUICIDE

Date: February 1, 2010

People Killed: 2 (including shooter)

Circumstances: On February 1, 2010, Brian Marchand shot and killed his 17-year-old daughter and severely wounded his wife with a 9mm handgun before turning the gun on himself. Police received two 911 hang-up calls from the Marchand home and immediately called back. Olivia, a cheerleader and volleyball player at Westford Academy, answered and said “she was all set and there isn’t a problem.” Shots then rang out over the phone. Police rushed to the scene and found three bodies on the floor, with Marchand’s wife clinging to her life. According to the District Attorney, the Marchands were having some “marital discord” and financial trouble. Marchand had a concealed handgun permit and was an avid hunter.

Source: “Cops: Westford man kills daughter, self in triple shooting;” *Boston Herald*, February 2, 2010.

Massachusetts

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** John P. Tassinari

CONVICTED

Date: April 22, 2008

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On April 22, 2008, concealed handgun permit holder John P. Tassinari shot and killed his wife and mother of his one-year-old son Barbara Tassinari because he thought she was having an affair. Tassinari used two .45 handguns to repeatedly shoot his wife in the driveway of their home. After the shooting, Tassinari called 911 and said, “My wife has been cheating on me, and I just shot her dead. Please come arrest me....I’m sorry.” Barbara Tassinari’s older brother and next door neighbor Francis Scolaro—who also possessed a concealed handgun permit—heard the shooting, arrived with a .32 handgun, found his sister’s body and forced Tassinari to the ground, holding the gun to his head while vowing to shoot and kill him. Scolaro was disarmed at gunpoint by Abington police officer Ronald Sweeney. Barbara Tassinari’s family described John Tassinari as “infamously obsessive,” stating that he needed his hair shaved every Friday, would wear shorts every day throughout the year, would make sure that his wife would never have any cash, and would demand receipts for every purchase she made. On his MySpace page, John Tassinari described himself as a gun enthusiast and firearms safety instructor who loved “cars, guns, motorcycles, vodka, and A/V equipment.” John Tassinari was issued his concealed handgun permit in 2004. He was charged with one count of murder and held without bail.

UPDATE: On November 1, 2010, John Tassinari was found guilty of first degree murder and sentenced to life in prison without parole. “It was an execution,” Plymouth County District Attorney Timothy J. Cruz said after the verdict was read. According to the medical examiner who performed the autopsy on Barbara Tassinari’s body, the damage was so extensive that it was difficult to tell how many times she’d been shot. “Justice was served, absolutely,” said neighbor Anne Irwin, who had witnessed Barbara Tassinari falling in her driveway, calling her husband a “sick, sick guy.”

Source: “Brother of Abington’s Barbara Tassinari: Murder verdict against her husband ‘couldn’t have gone any other way,’” *Enterpriseneews.com*, November 2, 2010; “Victim’s kin say spouse was controlling,” *Boston Globe*, April 25, 2008; “Abington husband charged with murder,” *Boston Globe*, April 23, 2008.

Michigan

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Names Not Provided

SUICIDE

Date: Between October 1, 2024 and September 30, 2025

People Killed: 215

Circumstances: Between October 1, 2024 and September 30, 2025, Michigan State Police report that 215 Michigan concealed handgun permit holders took their own lives. In their annual report, the Michigan State Police do not release the victim's name, the exact date of the suicide, nor the means employed in the suicide.

Source: *Concealed Pistol Licensing Annual Report, October 1, 2024 to September 30, 2025*, Michigan State Police.

Michigan

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Names Not Provided

CONVICTED

Date: Between October 1, 2024 and September 30, 2025

People Killed: 32

Circumstances: Between October 1, 2024 and September 30, 2025, Michigan State Police report that seven Michigan concealed handgun permit holders were convicted of Moving Violation Causing Death, six Michigan concealed handgun permit holders were convicted of Operating – While Intoxicated Causing Death, two Michigan concealed handgun permit holders were convicted of Reckless Driving Causing Death, one Michigan concealed handgun permit holder was convicted of Operating – License Suspended, Revoked, or Denied – Causing Death, three Michigan concealed handgun permit holders were convicted of Homicide – Murder 1st Degree Premeditated, nine Michigan concealed handgun permit holders were convicted of Homicide – Murder 2nd Degree, three Michigan concealed handgun permit holders were convicted of Homicide – Manslaughter – Statutory Short Form, and one Michigan concealed handgun permit holder was convicted of Homicide Manslaughter - Voluntary. In their annual report, the Michigan State Police do not release the offender's name, the exact date of the event, nor the type of weapon used in the homicide.

Source: *Concealed Pistol Licensing Annual Report, October 1, 2024 to September 30, 2025*, Michigan State Police.

Michigan

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Names Not Provided

SUICIDE

Date: Between October 1, 2023 and September 30, 2024

People Killed: 238

Circumstances: Between October 1, 2023 and September 30, 2024, Michigan State Police report that 238 Michigan concealed handgun permit holders took their own lives. In their annual report, the Michigan State Police do not release the victim's name, the exact date of the suicide, nor the means employed in the suicide.

Source: *Concealed Pistol Licensing Annual Report, October 1, 2023 to September 30, 2024*, Michigan State Police.

Michigan

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Names Not Provided

CONVICTED

Date: Between October 1, 2023 and September 30, 2024

People Killed: 18

Circumstances: Between October 1, 2022 and September 30, 2023, Michigan State Police report that four Michigan concealed handgun permit holders were convicted of Moving Violation Causing Death, one Michigan concealed handgun permit holder was convicted of Operating – While Intoxicated Causing Death, one Michigan concealed handgun permit holder was convicted of Weapons – Firearms – Discharge From a Vehicle Causing Death, two Michigan concealed handgun permit holders were convicted of Homicide – Murder 1st Degree Premeditated, six Michigan concealed handgun permit holders were convicted of Homicide – Murder 2nd Degree, two Michigan concealed handgun permit holders were convicted of Homicide – Manslaughter – Statutory Short Form, and two Michigan concealed handgun permit holders were convicted of Public Officer – Assault or Obstructing – Causing Death. In their annual report, the Michigan State Police do not release the offender's name, the exact date of the event, nor the type of weapon used in the homicide.

Source: *Concealed Pistol Licensing Annual Report, October 1, 2023 to September 30, 2024*, Michigan State Police.

Michigan

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Devonte Tucker

CONVICTED

Date: April 9, 2023

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On April 9, 2023, concealed carry permit holder Devonte Tucker, 28, shot and killed Dorian Swenson, 30, following an altercation in a motel room. According to prosecutors, Swenson and Tucker's girlfriend got into a physical altercation at the Victory Inn Motel in Roseville. Tucker, who did not know Swenson and was summoned to the scene by his girlfriend, produced a gun and shot Swenson. Tucker pleaded no contest to second degree murder and felony firearms possession as part of a sentencing agreement with prosecutors. The judge in the case noted that the last two murder cases in his courtroom involved defendants who had concealed carry permits and committed murder during tense situations. He said that permit holders need to realize that their permit does not give them a license to kill. Tucker was sentenced to serve 10 to 25 years in prison.

Sources: "Macomb County judge: CPL doesn't give holders license to kill," *macombdaily.com*, May 1, 2024; "28-year-old charged with killing man at Roseville motel," *CBS Detroit*, April 12, 2023.

Michigan

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Names Not Provided

CONVICTED

Date: Between October 1, 2021 and September 30, 2022

People Killed: 12

Circumstances: Between October 1, 2021 and September 30, 2022, Michigan State Police report that four Michigan concealed handgun permit holders were convicted of Moving Violation Causing Death, two Michigan concealed handgun permit holders were convicted of Operating – While Intoxicated Causing Death, one Michigan concealed handgun permit holder was convicted of Homicide – Murder 1st Degree Premeditated, three Michigan concealed handgun permit holders were convicted of Homicide – Murder 2nd Degree, and two Michigan concealed handgun permit holders were convicted of Homicide – Manslaughter – Statutory Short Form. In their annual report, the Michigan State Police do not release the offender's name, the exact date of the event, nor the type of weapon used in the homicide.

Source: *Concealed Pistol Licensing Annual Report, October 1, 2021 to September 30, 2022*, Michigan State Police.

Michigan

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Names Not Provided

SUICIDE

Date: Between October 1, 2021 and September 30, 2022

People Killed: 234

Circumstances: Between October 1, 2021 and September 30, 2022, Michigan State Police report that 234 Michigan concealed handgun permit holders took their own lives. In their annual report, the Michigan State Police do not release the victim's name, the exact date of the suicide, nor the means employed in the suicide.

Source: *Concealed Pistol Licensing Annual Report, October 1, 2021 to September 30, 2022*, Michigan State Police.

Michigan

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Names Not Provided

SUICIDE

Date: Between October 1, 2020 and September 30, 2021

People Killed: 201

Circumstances: Between October 1, 2020 and September 30, 2021, Michigan State Police report that 201 Michigan concealed handgun permit holders took their own lives. In their annual report, the Michigan State Police do not release the victim's name, the exact date of the suicide, nor the means employed in the suicide.

Source: *Concealed Pistol Licensing Annual Report, October 1, 2020 to September 30, 2021*, Michigan State Police.

Michigan

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Names Not Provided

CONVICTED

Date: Between October 1, 2020 and September 30, 2021

People Killed: 8

Circumstances: Between October 1, 2020 and September 30, 2021, Michigan State Police report that three Michigan concealed handgun permit holders were convicted of Moving Violation Causing Death, one Michigan concealed handgun permit holder was convicted of Reckless Driving Causing Death, one Michigan concealed handgun permit holder was convicted of Homicide – Murder 1st Degree Premeditated, one Michigan concealed handgun permit holder was convicted of Homicide – Murder 2nd Degree, one Michigan concealed handgun permit holder was convicted of Homicide – Manslaughter – Statutory Short Form, and one Michigan concealed handgun permit holder was convicted of Homicide – Manslaughter – Involuntary. In their annual report, the Michigan State Police do not release the offender's name, the exact date of the event, nor the type of weapon used in the homicide.

Source: *Concealed Pistol Licensing Annual Report, October 1, 2020 to September 30, 2021*, Michigan State Police.

Michigan

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Myesha Gates

CONVICTED

Date: July 3, 2020

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On July 3, 2020, concealed handgun permit holder Myesha Gates, 27, shot and killed De’ja Mone’t Madison, 24, following a brief argument outside the East Park Manor housing complex in Muskegon Heights. Madison had been involved in a “heated exchange” with a group of eight to 10 people prior to the shooting. According to prosecutors, Gates fired twice with a 9mm handgun into the car that Madison was driving. When police arrived on the scene they found Madison dead in her vehicle. On March 4, 2021 Gates pleaded no contest to manslaughter in the shooting death of De’ja Mone’t Madison. Gates faces a sentence of up to 15 years in prison and up to a \$7,500 fine.

Source: “Muskegon Heights woman takes manslaughter plea in shooting death of young mother,” *mlive.com*, March 4, 2021; “Woman charged with open murder in shooting of Muskegon woman,” *mlive.com*, July 6, 2020.

Michigan

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Names Not Provided

CONVICTED

Date: Between October 1, 2019 and September 30, 2020

People Killed: 10

Circumstances: Between October 1, 2019 and September 30, 2020, Michigan State Police report that four Michigan concealed handgun permit holders were convicted of Moving Violation Causing Death, two Michigan concealed handgun permit holders were convicted of Operating – While Intoxicated Causing Death, one Michigan concealed handgun permit holders was convicted of Moving Violation – Causing Death in a Work or School Bus Zone, one Michigan concealed handgun permit holder was convicted of Reckless Driving Causing Death, one Michigan concealed handgun permit holder was convicted of Homicide – Murder 1st Degree Premeditated, and one Michigan concealed handgun permit holder was convicted of Homicide – Murder 2nd Degree. In their annual report, the Michigan State Police do not release the offender's name, the exact date of the event, nor the type of weapon used in the homicide.

Source: *Concealed Pistol Licensing Annual Report, October 1, 2019 to September 30, 2020*, Michigan State Police.

Michigan

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Names Not Provided

SUICIDE

Date: Between October 1, 2019 and September 30, 2020

People Killed: 184

Circumstances: Between October 1, 2019 and September 30, 2020, Michigan State Police report that 184 Michigan concealed handgun permit holders took their own lives. In their annual report, the Michigan State Police do not release the victim's name, the exact date of the suicide, nor the means employed in the suicide.

Source: *Concealed Pistol Licensing Annual Report, October 1, 2019 to September 30, 2020*, Michigan State Police.

Michigan

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Names Not Provided

CONVICTED

Date: Between October 1, 2018 and September 30, 2019

People Killed: 10

Circumstances: Between October 1, 2018 and September 30, 2019, Michigan State Police report that four Michigan concealed handgun permit holders were convicted of Operating - While Intoxicated Causing Death, three Michigan concealed handgun permit holders were convicted of Homicide - Murder 2nd Degree, two Michigan concealed handgun permit holders were convicted of Homicide – Murder 1st Degree Premeditated, and one Michigan concealed handgun permit holder was convicted of Homicide – Manslaughter. In their annual report, the Michigan State Police do not release the offender's name, the exact date of the event, nor the type of weapon used in the homicide.

Source: *Concealed Pistol Licensing Annual Report, October 1, 2018 to September 30, 2019*, Michigan State Police.

Michigan

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Names Not Provided

SUICIDE

Date: Between October 1, 2018 and September 30, 2019

People Killed: 183

Circumstances: Between October 1, 2018 and September 30, 2019, Michigan State Police report that 183 Michigan concealed handgun permit holders took their own lives. In their annual report, the Michigan State Police do not release the victim's name, the exact date of the suicide, nor the means employed in the suicide.

Source: *Concealed Pistol Licensing Annual Report, October 1, 2018 to September 30, 2019*, Michigan State Police.

Michigan

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Names Not Provided

CONVICTED

Date: Between October 1, 2017 and September 30, 2018

People Killed: 7

Circumstances: Between October 1, 2017 and September 30, 2018, Michigan State Police report that five Michigan concealed handgun permit holders were convicted of Homicide - Murder 2nd Degree, one Michigan concealed handgun permit holder was convicted of Homicide – Manslaughter, and one Michigan concealed handgun permit holder was convicted of Operating - While Intoxicated Causing Death. In their annual report, the Michigan State Police do not release the offender's name, the exact date of the event, nor the type of weapon used in the homicide.

Source: *Concealed Pistol Licensing Annual Report, October 1, 2017 to September 30, 2018*, Michigan State Police.

Michigan

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Names Not Provided

SUICIDE

Date: Between October 1, 2017 and September 30, 2018

People Killed: 169

Circumstances: Between October 1, 2017 and September 30, 2018, Michigan State Police report that 169 Michigan concealed handgun permit holders took their own lives. In their annual report, the Michigan State Police do not release the victim's name, the exact date of the suicide, nor the means employed in the suicide.

Source: *Concealed Pistol Licensing Annual Report, October 1, 2017 to September 30, 2018*, Michigan State Police.

Michigan

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Paul Thomas Gabriel

CONVICTED

Date: September 25, 2018

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On September 25, 2018, concealed handgun permit holder Paul Thomas Gabriel, 59, allegedly shot and killed Anthony “AJ” Federighe, 22, on a catwalk between the parking area and the condominium building where both men lived. According to prosecutors, the shooting stemmed from “an obsession” that Gabriel allegedly had with the victim’s father, which allegedly included Gabriel following the father around to the point that it “bordered on” stalking. Gabriel was charged with open murder, which includes first and second degree murder as well as manslaughter. The prosecutor can then choose to specify the charge later or leave it up to the judge or jury.

UPDATE: In October 2021, Paul Gabriel was convicted of first degree murder in the death of Anthony Federighe. In January 2022, Gabriel was sentenced to life in prison without parole.

Source: “Life in prison, no chance for parole for Muskegon man convicted of murder,” *wzzm13.com*, January 6, 2022; “Man charged with open murder in lakefront condo shooting,” *mlive.com*, September 27, 2018.

Michigan

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Ruben Salinas

SUICIDE

Date: May 9, 2018

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On May 9, 2018, concealed handgun permit holder Ruben Salinas, 27, shot and killed himself following a car chase involving himself and his ex-girlfriend's new boyfriend. According to news reports, on the night of May 9, 2018, Salinas arrived at the home of his ex-girlfriend at the same time as her new boyfriend. Salinas allegedly pulled a gun on the other man who then jumped into his car and fled, with Salinas driving after him. The men drove approximately five miles, and police say at least 12 shots were fired from two different guns during the chase. The man being chased called 911 and police pursued Salinas. The two men drove through the entrance to a hospital when Salinas' car was rammed by a police officer as Salinas continued firing at the other man. Salinas' car was rammed three times by police before coming to a stop. Salinas then fatally shot himself. Salinas had no prior convictions or documented mental health problems. A handgun, an AR-15 assault rifle, and a third weapon were recovered from Salinas' car.

Source: "Shocking moment a scorned lover, 27, drives behind and shoots at his ex's new boyfriend, 30, in a wild car chase before killing himself" *The Daily Mail*, May 12, 2018.

Michigan

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Ashley Somerville

CONVICTED

Date: November 11, 2017

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On November 11, 2017, concealed handgun permit holder Ashley Somerville, 27, allegedly shot and killed her girlfriend, Shantel Johnson-Jackson, 27, following an argument in the parking lot at the apartment complex where Somerville lived. According to police the women were in an altercation prior to the shooting which took place in or near a vehicle. Somerville was charged with one count of open murder and one felony firearm count.

UPDATE: On August 20, 2018, Ashley Somerville pleaded no contest to second degree murder in the death of Shantel Johnson-Jackson. On October 1, 2018, she was sentenced to 12 to 25 years in prison.

Source: “‘She brought a gun to a fistfight,’ prosecutor says of woman who killed girlfriend,” *mlive.com*, October 1, 2018; “Woman accused of killing girlfriend pleads no contest,” *mlive.com*, August 27, 2018; “Autopsy delays case for woman accused of fatally shooting girlfriend,” *mlive.com*, December 5, 2017; “27-year-old woman faces murder charge in shooting death of girlfriend,” *mlive.com*, November 14, 2017.

Michigan

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Sandra Lynette Waller

CONVICTED

Date: October 16, 2017

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On October 16, 2017, concealed handgun permit holder Sandra Lynette Waller, 49, shot and killed Lorraine Maylynn Faison, 49, following a dispute at the Burlington's store where the two worked. The women allegedly had a longstanding feud including a disagreement over how to discount merchandise at the store. According to police, Waller walked in to the store shortly after 7 A.M. and shot Faison. Waller was charged with first degree murder and a felony firearm charge.

UPDATE: On February 2, 2018, Sandra Lynette Waller pleaded guilty to second degree murder and felony firearms violation in the death of Lorraine Faison. Waller was sentenced to 16 to 40 years for murder and two years for the firearms violations.

Source: "Woman sentenced in murder of co-worker at Burlington Coat Factory in Taylor," *clickondetroit.com*, February 20, 2018; "Woman charged with murder in shooting death of co-worker at Burlington," *thenewsherald.com*, October 18, 2017.

Michigan

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Michael Lewis Williams

CONVICTED

Date: October 9, 2017

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On October 9, 2017, concealed handgun permit holder Michael Lewis Williams unintentionally shot and killed Patricia Ann Crosby, 53, as she was being attacked by a stray dog in their Detroit neighborhood. According to police, Crosby was attacked by the dog as she was out walking. Williams fired his gun at the dog, hitting Crosby in the hip instead. Crosby was taken to a hospital where she was pronounced dead. According to police, Williams was trying to be a “good Samaritan.”

UPDATE: In March 2018, Michael Lewis Williams, 61, was charged with careless discharge of a weapon causing injury or death for allegedly firing the shot that killed Patricia Cosby as she was being attacked by a stray dog.

UPDATE: On August 15, 2018, Michael Lewis Williams pleaded no contest to careless discharge of a weapon causing injury or death in the shooting of Patricia Cosby and was sentenced to three months in jail with five years of probation.

Source: “Detroit man sentenced for neighbor’s fatal shooting during alleged dog attack,” *clickondetroit.com*, August 15, 2018; “Detroit man charged with killing woman during dog attack,” *therepublic.com*, March 15, 2018; “Man accidentally kills woman while shooting at pit bull attacking her: police,” *wfmynews2.com*, October 10, 2017.

Michigan

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Name Not Provided

SUICIDE

Date: Between October 1, 2016 and September 30, 2017

People Killed: 132

Circumstances: Between October 1, 2016 and September 30, 2017, Michigan State Police report that 132 Michigan concealed handgun permit holders took their own lives. In their annual report, the Michigan State Police do not release the victim's name, the exact date of the suicide, nor the type of weapon used in the suicide.

Source: *Concealed Pistol Licensing Annual Report, October 1, 2016 - September 30, 2017*, Michigan State Police.

Michigan

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Name Not Provided

CONVICTED

Date: Between October 1, 2016 and September 30, 2017

People Killed: 2

Circumstances: Between October 1, 2016 and September 30, 2017, Michigan State Police report that one Michigan concealed handgun permit holder was convicted of Homicide - Murder 2nd Degree and one Michigan concealed handgun permit holder was convicted of Operating - While Intoxicated Causing Death. In their annual report, the Michigan State Police do not release the offender's name, the exact date of the event, nor the type of weapon used in the homicide.

Source: *Concealed Pistol Licensing Annual Report, October 1, 2016 and September 30, 2017*, Michigan State Police.

Michigan

■ Concealed Handgun Permit Holder: Unidentified

UNINTENTIONAL

Date: November 13, 2016

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On November 13, 2016, Jamari Moore, three, was unintentionally shot and killed by the 10-year-old son of his mother's boyfriend while they were playing in a bedroom. According to police, the 10-year-old found a loaded and holstered handgun on a closet shelf about five and a half feet off the ground. "I'm sorry, it was an accident," the 10-year-old reportedly told police over and over again, crying. The 10-year-old's father, a concealed handgun permit holder, had a history of leaving his firearm in areas accessible to children in the home, including an incident two weeks prior to the fatal shooting, according to the Washtenaw County Sheriff's Office. The sheriff's office requested a manslaughter charge against the father, but prosecutors declined, instead suggesting the state legislature should "enact legislation regarding how a firearm must be safely stored within a residence."

Sources: "Detroit plays tough in accidental shootings involving kids," *usatoday.com*, May 24, 2017; "Mother of 3-year-old fatally shot by other child: 'Part of my world died,'" *www.mlive.com*, November 18, 2016.

Michigan

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Carl Price

CONVICTED

Date: August 18, 2016

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On August 18, 2016, concealed handgun permit holder Carl Price, 24, shot and killed Robert Wray Jr., 34, when an argument involving the two and a third man escalated to the point of all three firing weapons. Police recovered Price's 45 caliber handgun and Wray's 9mm handgun at the scene, but never found the 40 caliber handgun that they believe was used by the third person, who was shot twice. In all, at least 18 shots were fired. Price, who claimed he was acting in self-defense, was convicted of voluntary manslaughter and felony firearm possession. According to the prosecutor, Price kept shooting Wray after he was already down and later tried to impede the investigation.

Source: "Man convicted of lesser charge of manslaughter in 2016 shootout in south Lansing," www.lansingstatejournal.com, May 3, 2018.

Michigan

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Zurlon Tipton

UNINTENTIONAL

Date: June 28, 2016

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On June 28, 2016, concealed handgun permit holder Zurlon Tipton, 26, unintentionally shot and killed himself at a car dealership in Michigan. Tipton, a former running back with the Indianapolis Colts, was removing a bag from the trunk of his car when one of the two guns in the bag went off, fatally wounding him in the stomach.

Sources: “Former Colts RB Zurlon Tipton dead after accidentally shooting himself,” *si.com*, June 28, 2016; “Ex-Colts RB Zurlon Tipton dies from accidental gunshot,” *indystar.com*, June 28, 2016.

Michigan

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Jaquan Jamal White

UNINTENTIONAL

Date: January 11, 2016

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On January 11, 2016, concealed handgun permit holder Jaquan Jamal White, 25, was shot and killed with his own AK-47 pistol. According to police, White was in the bedroom of a home with a 31-year-old woman and her three children ages four, six, and eight. At least two of the children were in the bedroom when the gun fired. Investigators said that White's death was caused by a gunshot wound to the head. They also stated that evidence pointed towards negligence and that White's death may have resulted from "roughhousing" by the children. Investigators also found what they believed to be marijuana and cocaine both on White's body and inside the house. An investigation into the incident was opened by Children's Protective Services and the children were removed from their mother's care.

Source: "UPDATE: Autopsy complete on Suttons Bay shooting victim," *record-eagle.com*, January 13, 2016.

Michigan

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Deangelo Gaines

CONVICTED

Date: February 14, 2016

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On February 14, 2016, concealed handgun permit holder Deangelo Gaines, 25, and his girlfriend, Kayla Babick, 24, were in the bedroom of her home. According to police, the couple were lying in bed watching television. Gaines' .45 Springfield handgun was on the bed, after being cleaned and loaded. Gaines told police that Babick got up to answer the phone and when she got back into bed, the handgun discharged. A bullet struck her in the left side of her rib cage, and she staggered downstairs to the living room where she died. Gaines told police that she may have laid down on top of the handgun or somehow hit it with her hand, causing it to fire. Two other adults and Babick's children, ages two and four, were also in the house at the time of the incident. Police stated that Gaines was too reckless in the handling of his gun and have recommended that he be charged with manslaughter.

UPDATE: On October 4, 2016, Deangelo Gaines pleaded no contest to careless discharge of a firearm causing death. The charge carries a maximum sentence of two years in prison, but as part of his plea agreement, Gaines will avoid jail time and be placed on probation.

Source: "Man enters plea in Valentine's Day death of girlfriend," *battlecreekenquirer.com*, October 4, 2016; "After woman dies in bed when gun fires, charges sought against boyfriend," *mlive.com*, April 4, 2016; "Girlfriend killed on Valentine's Day after boyfriend's .45 caliber handgun fires in bed," *mlive.com*, February 15, 2016.

Michigan

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Timothy Nelson Obeshaw

SUICIDE

Date: December 3, 2015

People Killed: 2 (including shooter)

Circumstances: On December 3, 2015, concealed handgun permit holder Timothy Nelson Obeshaw shot and killed Emma Nowling, seven, with a 9mm pistol following Nowling's soccer practice before turning the gun on himself. Nowling's mother, Sharon Watson, was also shot but was in stable condition. Obeshaw was a family friend who, according to police, was recently experiencing paranoia. According to the Taylor police chief, "He thought someone was out to get him. Unfortunately, it appears as a result of his [instability] we now have a little girl who simply just wanted to go yesterday to play soccer, and never went home." Obeshaw had no criminal history and registered the gun under his own name in September 2015.

Source: "7-Year-Old Girl Killed at Soccer Practice After 'Paranoid' Man With Concealed Carry License Opens Fire," *alternet.org*, December 5, 2015.

Michigan

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Name Not Provided

SUICIDE

Date: Between October 1, 2015 and September 30, 2016

People Killed: 84

Circumstances: Between October 1, 2015 and September 30, 2016, Michigan State Police report that 84 Michigan concealed handgun permit holders took their own lives. In their annual report, the Michigan State Police do not release the victim's name, the exact date of the suicide, nor the type of weapon used in the suicide.

Source: *Concealed Pistol License Annual Report, October 1, 2015 - September 30, 2016*, Michigan State Police.

Michigan

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Name Not Provided

CONVICTED

Date: Between October 1, 2015 and September 30, 2016

People Killed: 4

Circumstances: Between October 1, 2015 and September 30, 2016, Michigan State Police report that three Michigan concealed handgun permit holders were convicted of Moving Violation Causing Death, and one Michigan concealed handgun permit holder was convicted of Involuntary Manslaughter. In their annual report, the Michigan State Police do not release the offender's name, the exact date of the event, nor the type of weapon used in the homicide.

Source: *Concealed Pistol License Annual Report, October 1, 2015 and September 30, 2016*, Michigan State Police.

Michigan

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Name Not Provided

SUICIDE

Date: Between October 1, 2014 and September 30, 2015

People Killed: 17

Circumstances: Between October 1, 2014 and September 30, 2015, Michigan State Police report that 17 Michigan concealed handgun permit holders took their own lives. In their annual report, the Michigan State Police do not release the victim's name, the exact date of the suicide, nor the type of weapon used in the suicide.

Source: *Concealed Pistol License Annual Report, October 1, 2014 - September 30, 2015*, Michigan State Police.

Michigan

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Name Not Provided

CONVICTED

Date: Between October 1, 2014 and September 30, 2015

People Killed: 5

Circumstances: Between October 1, 2014 and September 30, 2015, Michigan State Police report that three Michigan concealed handgun permit holders were convicted of moving violation causing death, one Michigan concealed handgun permit holder was convicted of operating - while intoxicated causing death, and one Michigan concealed handgun permit holder was convicted of homicide - manslaughter. In their annual report, the Michigan State Police do not release the victim's name, the exact date of the suicide, nor the type of weapon used in the suicide.

Source: *Concealed Pistol License Annual Report, October 1, 2014 - September 30, 2015*, Michigan State Police.

Michigan

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Martin Edward Zale

CONVICTED

Date: September 2, 2014

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: Concealed handgun permit holder Martin Edward Zale, 69, allegedly shot and killed Derek Flemming, 43, on September 2, 2014 near Howell, Michigan. According to Flemming's attorney, Flemming and his wife were driving on their way to pick up their kids from the first day of school, when they saw Zale "screaming down a side street" in a Dodge pickup. Zale cut them off and moved in front of them, then cut to the left and slammed on his brakes when Flemming tried to maneuver away. When both of them were at a traffic light, Flemming got out of his vehicle and approached the pickup. According to witnesses, Zale rolled his window down and shot Flemming in the face. Zale has been charged with murder. His family is claiming he acted in self-defense, citing the principle of "stand your ground."

UPDATE: On May 14, 2015, Martin Edward Zale was found guilty of second degree murder in the death of Derek Flemming. Zale was sentenced to 25 to 50 years for the murder charge and 32 months to four years for discharging a firearm from a vehicle. He was also sentenced to serve a two-year sentence for related felony firearms convictions, running consecutively to the murder charge for a minimum of 27 years. Zale was also ordered to pay \$4,160 in restitution for funeral services.

Source: "Road-rage shooter gets 27-50 years in prison," *Livingston Daily*, June 13, 2015; "Jury: Zale guilty of second-degree murder," *Livingston Daily*, May 14, 2015; "'Stand your ground' defense raised in road rage case," *Detroit Free-Press*, October 7, 2014; "Road rage shooter charged with murder," *Livingston Daily*, September 4, 2014.

Michigan

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Name Not Provided

SUICIDE

Date: Between July 1, 2013 and June 30, 2014

People Killed: 70

Circumstances: Between July 1, 2013 and June 30, 2014, Michigan State Police report that 70 Michigan concealed handgun permit holders took their own lives. In their annual report, the Michigan State Police do not release the victim's name, the exact date of the suicide, nor the type of weapon used in the suicide.

Source: *Concealed Pistol License Annual Report, July 1, 2013 - June 30, 2014*, Michigan State Police.

Michigan

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Name Not Provided

CONVICTED

Date: Between July 1, 2013 and June 30, 2014

People Killed: 2

Circumstances: Between July 1, 2013 and June 30, 2014, Michigan State Police report that one Michigan concealed handgun permit holder was convicted of first degree murder, and one Michigan concealed handgun permit holder was convicted of felony murder. In their annual report, the Michigan State Police do not release the offender's name, the exact date of the event, nor the type of weapon used in the homicide.

Source: *Concealed Pistol License Annual Report, July 1, 2013 to June 30, 2014*, Michigan State Police.

Michigan

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Name Not Provided

CONVICTED

Date: Between July 1, 2013 and June 30, 2014

People Killed: 6

Circumstances: Between July 1, 2013 and June 30, 2014, Michigan State Police report that five Michigan concealed handgun permit holders were convicted of moving violation causing death, and one Michigan concealed handgun permit holder was convicted of operating - while intoxicated causing death. In their annual report, the Michigan State Police do not release the offender's name, the exact date of the event, nor the type of weapon used in the homicide.

Source: *Concealed Pistol License Annual Report, July 1, 2013 to June 30, 2014*, Michigan State Police.

Michigan

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Noland Brown

CONVICTED

Date: June 4, 2014

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On June 4, 2014, concealed handgun permit holder Noland Brown, 49, shot and killed his next-door neighbor Deryl Bohannon, 57, with a single-shot handgun, following a dispute over money. Brown claimed that Bohannon came to his house to confront him and he acted in self-defense, but the prosecutor stated that Brown lied to police and shot Bohannon because he owed him money. Bohannon was shot in the leg outside Brown's home and bled to death. The assistant prosecutor in the case argued, "Any number of times he could've gone back into the house, called police or walked away." In March 2015, Brown was convicted of manslaughter and faces up to 15 years in prison.

Source: "Eastpointe man convicted of manslaughter in shooting of neighbor," *The Macomb Daily*, March 20, 2015.

Michigan

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holders: James Pullam and Robert Taylor**
SHOT AND KILLED DURING INCIDENT

Date: September 18, 2013

People Killed: 2

Circumstances: On September 18, 2013, concealed handgun permit holders James Pullam, 43, and Robert Taylor, 56, shot and killed each other following a road rage incident. According to police, the dispute began when one car was tailgating the other. Both men pulled into the parking lot of a local car wash and exited their vehicles. According to witnesses, the tailgating driver fired first, followed by the other driver. Both men were transported to a local hospital where they were pronounced dead. Both men were licensed to carry concealed weapons and fired handguns in the incident.

Source: "2 Concealed Carry Holders Kill Each Other In Road Rage Incident," *The Huffington Post*, September 19, 2013.

Michigan

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Joshua M. Greenhill

UNINTENTIONAL

Date: August 18, 2013

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On August 18, 2013, three-year-old Damon Holbrook found a loaded .40 handgun in concealed handgun permit holder Joshua M. Greenhill's house and unintentionally shot himself in the head. Two families and Joshua Greenhill lived in the house where the shooting took place. According to police, on the day of the shooting, Greenhill came home from work and placed the loaded handgun in an unlocked case in his closet. While the adults of the house were talking in another room, Damon Holbrook found the gun in the closet and pulled the trigger. In October 2013, Greenhill was sentenced to serve a year in jail after pleading no contest to a charge of careless discharge of a firearm causing injury or death. In addition to the year in jail, Greenhill will also have to surrender his firearm and his concealed weapons permit was revoked. He was also ordered to pay over \$3,000 in fines and costs and will be on probation for two years.

Source: "Dundee man gets year in jail for child's accidental gun death," *monroenews.com*, October 31, 2013.

Michigan

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Name Not Provided

CONVICTED

Date: Between July 1, 2012 and June 30, 2013

People Killed: 3

Circumstances: Between July 1, 2012 and June 30, 2013, Michigan State Police report that one Michigan concealed handgun permit holder was convicted of second degree murder, and two Michigan concealed handgun permit holders were convicted of operating a motor vehicle while intoxicated causing death. In their annual report, the Michigan State Police do not release the offender's name, the exact date of the event, nor the type of weapon used in the homicide.

Source: *Concealed Pistol Licensing Annual Report, July 1, 2012 to June 30, 2013*, Michigan State Police.

Michigan

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Name Not Provided

SUICIDE

Date: Between July 1, 2012 and June 30, 2013

People Killed: 28

Circumstances: Between July 1, 2012 and June 30, 2013, Michigan State Police report that 28 Michigan concealed handgun permit holders took their own lives. In their annual report, the Michigan State Police do not release the victim's name, the exact date of the suicide, nor the type of weapon used in the suicide.

Source: *Concealed Pistol Licensing Annual Report, July 1, 2012 - June 30, 2013*, Michigan State Police.

Michigan

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** FerDarius Shine

CONVICTED

Date: February 15, 2013

People Killed: 3

Circumstances: On February 15, 2013, concealed handgun permit holder Ferdarius Shine, 28, allegedly shot and killed his 68-year-old grandmother Geraldine Bates, and his aunt, Santangela Williams, 49. His seven-year-old daughter was also wounded in the shooting. According to police, Shine was at his grandmother's house when he began acting erratically, "talking about Satan, God, and the Devil," before opening fire on his grandmother, aunt, and daughter. Bates and Williams died at the house, while his daughter was rushed to the hospital in critical condition. Shine's mother told police that he is "possessed," and according to police sources, after the shooting he left the house screaming, "The Devil made me do it." Early on the morning of February 16, 2013, Shine checked himself into a local hospital for psychiatric evaluation. On February 21, 2013, Shine was charged with two counts of first degree murder, three counts of assault with intent to murder, and one count of felony firearm.

UPDATE: On March 22, 2013, Shine's seven-year-old daughter Amera Jones died from complications resulting from her gunshot wounds.

UPDATE: In April 2014, Shine was found guilty of first-degree murder in the deaths of Geraldine Bates, Santangela Williams, and Amera Jones. He faces a mandatory penalty of life in prison without the possibility of parole.

Source: "Man guilty of murdering daughter, grandma, aunt," *myfoxdetroit.com*, April 8, 2014; "Amera Jones, seven-year-old gunshot victim once expected to live, dies," *The Detroit News*, March 28, 2013; "Man charged with 2 counts of murder in deaths of aunt, grandmother in Detroit," *Detroit Free Press*, February 21, 2013; "Suspect in triple Detroit shooting turns himself in, sought psychiatric evaluation," *clickondetroit.com*, February 15, 2013.

Michigan

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** James Robert Curry

SUICIDE

Date: August 27, 2012

People Killed: 2

Circumstances: On August 27, 2012, concealed handgun permit holder James Robert Curry, 61, shot his wife, Peggy Curry, in the head, killing her. Curry then attempted to kill himself by firing two shots below his chin. The couple were later found in bed by authorities. James Robert Curry, critically injured, died four days later. According to his daughter, James Robert Curry was a Vietnam veteran who had struggled with post-traumatic stress disorder and had been off his medication. News reports stated that he was a hunter with many guns in his home. Curry and his wife married in 2008.

Source: "Man in apparent murder-suicide attempt dies; He and his wife were found at home just outside of Stockbridge," *Jackson Citizen Patriot*, September 1, 2012.

Michigan

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Blake Hullihen

CONVICTED

Date: December 7, 2011

People Killed: 2

Circumstances: On December 7, 2011, concealed handgun permit holder Blake Hullihen, 27, shot and killed Gabrielle Woodworth and Donald Feneis in a child custody dispute with Woodworth over their six-year-old daughter. The shootings occurred outside Chuck's Corners Citgo station, a location that Hullihen and Woodworth used as a custody exchange point for their daughter. Hullihen testified in court that he was "shocked and devastated" when a court order awarded Woodworth primary custody of their daughter. On the day of the shooting, Hullihen arrived at the drop off point without their daughter and an argument ensued. Hullihen claimed that Feneis pulled something from his pocket which Hullihen thought was a weapon. The object was later identified to be a cell phone. Hullihen began firing, shooting Woodworth and Feneis 17 times, unloading two magazines from his 45 caliber pistol before fleeing the scene. Hullihen testified that he regularly carried his pistol and wore a bullet-proof vest when exchanging custody of his daughter. Hullihen's attorney claimed the shootings were an unfortunate event that took place because Hullihen believed his life was in danger. The State's Prosecutor called the incident a "cold-blooded murder....a planned execution of two people." On January 28, 2013, Hullihen was found guilty of two counts of second degree murder and two counts of felony firearm charges.

Source: "Hullihen convicted of second degree murder," *The Clare County Review*, February 1, 2013.

Michigan

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Name Not Provided

SUICIDE

Date: Between July 1, 2011 and June 30, 2012

People Killed: 56

Circumstances: Between July 1, 2011 and June 30, 2012, Michigan State Police report that 56 Michigan concealed handgun permit holders took their own lives. In their annual report, the Michigan State Police do not release the victim's name, the exact date of the suicide, nor the type of weapon used in the suicide.

Source: *Concealed Pistol Licensing Annual Report, July 1, 2011 - June 30, 2012*, Michigan State Police.

Michigan

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Name Not Provided

CONVICTED

Date: Between July 1, 2011 and June 30, 2012

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: Between July 1, 2011 and June 30, 2012, Michigan State Police report that one Michigan concealed handgun permit holder was convicted of operating a motor vehicle while intoxicated causing death. In their annual report, the Michigan State Police do not release the offender's name, the exact date of the event, nor the type of weapon used in the homicide.

Source: *Concealed Pistol Licensing Annual Report, July 1, 2011 to June 30, 2012*, Michigan State Police.

Michigan

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Name Not Provided

CONVICTED

Date: Between July 1, 2011 and June 30, 2012

People Killed: 3

Circumstances: Between July 1, 2011 and June 30, 2012, Michigan State Police report that three Michigan concealed handgun permit holders were convicted of criminal homicide. In their annual report, the Michigan State Police do not release the offender's name, the exact date of the event, nor the type of weapon used in the homicide.

Source: *Concealed Pistol Licensing Annual Report, July 1, 2011 to June 30, 2012*, Michigan State Police.

Michigan

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Name Not Provided

CONVICTED

Date: Between July 1, 2010 and June 30, 2011

People Killed: 2

Circumstances: Between July 1, 2010 and June 30, 2011, Michigan State Police report that two Michigan concealed handgun permit holders were convicted of operating a motor vehicle while intoxicated causing death. In their annual report, the Michigan State Police do not release the offender's name, the exact date of the event, nor the type of weapon used in the homicide.

Source: *Concealed Pistol Licensing Annual Report, July 1, 2010 to June 30, 2011*, Michigan State Police.

Michigan

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Name Not Provided

SUICIDE

Date: Between July 1, 2010 and June 30, 2011

People Killed: 29

Circumstances: Between July 1, 2010 and June 30, 2011, Michigan State Police report that 29 Michigan concealed handgun permit holders took their own lives. In their annual report, the Michigan State Police do not release the victim's name, the exact date of the suicide, nor the type of weapon used in the suicide.

Source: *Concealed Pistol Licensure Annual Report, July 1, 2010 to June 30, 2011*, Michigan State Police, http://www.michigan.gov/documents/msp/2011_CPL_Report_376632_7.pdf.

Michigan

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Name Not Provided

CONVICTED

Date: Between July 1, 2010 and June 30, 2011

Law Enforcement Officers Killed: 1

Circumstances: Between July 1, 2010 and June 30, 2011, one Michigan concealed handgun permit holder had criminal homicide charges pending for the killing of a law enforcement officer. In their annual report, the Michigan State Police do not release the alleged offender's name, the exact date of the event, nor the type of weapon allegedly used in the homicide. The permit holder was convicted of murder.

Source: *Concealed Pistol Licensure Annual Report, July 1, 2010 to June 30, 2011*, Michigan State Police, http://www.michigan.gov/documents/msp/2011_CPL_Report_376632_7.pdf; *Law Enforcement Officers Killed & Assaulted*, U.S. Department of Justice, Federal Bureau of Investigation, 2010 and 2011; "Man sentenced in crash that killed Detroit officer," *themorningsun.com*, February 13, 2012; "DETROIT: Guilty verdict in murder of Taylor police officer," *thenewsherald.com*, November 11, 2011.

Michigan

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Name Not Provided

CONVICTED

Date: Between July 1, 2010 and June 30, 2011

People Killed: 4

Circumstances: Between July 1, 2010 and June 30, 2011, Michigan State Police report that four Michigan concealed handgun permit holders were convicted of criminal homicide. In their annual report, the Michigan State Police do not release the offender's name, the exact date of the event, nor the type of weapon used in the homicide.

Source: *Concealed Pistol Licensure Annual Report, July 1, 2010 to June 30, 2011*, Michigan State Police, http://www.michigan.gov/documents/msp/2011_CPL_Report_376632_7.pdf.

Michigan

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Justin Luckhardt

SUICIDE

Date: July 13, 2010

People Killed: 2

Circumstances: On July 13, 2010, concealed handgun permit holder Justin Luckhardt, 32, shot and killed Kim Luchie, 25, at the Cabin bar in what news reports described as a “jealous, race-fueled rage” before taking his own life. Luckhardt was separated from his wife and was convinced she had an African-American boyfriend. Luckhardt, who had been golfing that day with friends, had already split a 12-pack of beer and four shots when he first visited the Cabin that night for more beer—the first of three visits. Once there, he saw Luchie, an African-American, drinking with Luckhardt’s sister-in-law. Luckhardt’s rage grew between his repeated visits to the bar. According to one of his golfing partners, “Justin was mad and was talking that right now he could kill them. And to prove that, he opened up his trunk and pulled a rifle bag out.” In the bag was an assault rifle. Luckhardt also kept a bulletproof vest in the trunk. Police believe Luckhardt kept the rifle in the trunk because of an anti-gun sentiment in his family. On his third visit to the Cabin, Luckhardt walked by four unarmed police officers who were celebrating a promotion and shot and killed Luchie with a .357 Glock pistol with a 10-round clip. Luchie, who had a long-time girlfriend, was not romantically involved with Luckhardt’s wife or his in-laws. He died from multiple shots to his neck, chest, and abdomen. Luckhardt then left the bar in his Nissan automobile. The officers called in the incident, and a police chase ensued. Luckhardt eventually crashed his car and committed suicide. He left behind a suicide note he had drafted between visits to the bar.

Source: “Jealousy, rage and race: Behind the Cabin tragedy,” *Morning Sun*, August 10, 2010.

Michigan

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Hayes Bacall

CONVICTED

Date: July 2, 2010

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On July 2, 2010, concealed handgun permit holder Hayes Bacall, 51, shot and killed his nephew Saif Jameel, 33, in a confrontation over a \$400,000 debt. Bacall shot Jameel 10 times in the office of Jameel's BP gas station. The confrontation stemmed from money Jameel had borrowed from Bacall for a construction project that included a Starbucks. Bacall claimed Jameel had stopped making payments on the loan. Bacall was convicted of first degree murder and was scheduled to be sentenced to life in prison without parole.

Source: "Jury convicts Detroit businessman for killing nephew over debt," *Detroit Free Press*, August 18, 2011; "Defendant re-enacts shooting scene," *Detroit Free Press*, August 12, 2011.

Michigan

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Name Not Provided

SUICIDE

Date: Between July 1, 2009 and June 30, 2010

People Killed: 43

Circumstances: Between July 1, 2009 and June 30, 2010, Michigan State Police report that 43 Michigan concealed handgun permit holders took their own lives. In their annual report, the Michigan State Police do not release the victim's name, the exact date of the suicide, nor the type of weapon used in the suicide.

Source: "Concealed Pistol Licensure Annual Report, July 1, 2009–June 30, 2010," Michigan State Police, http://www.michigan.gov/documents/msp/2009-10_CPL_Annual_Report_343621_7.pdf.

Michigan

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Name Not Provided

CONVICTED

Date: Between July 1, 2009 and June 30, 2010

People Killed: 3

Circumstances: Between July 1, 2009 and June 30, 2010, Michigan State Police report that three Michigan concealed handgun permit holders were convicted of criminal homicide. In their annual report, the Michigan State Police do not release the offender's name, the exact date of the event, nor the type of weapon used in the homicide.

Source: "Concealed Pistol Licensure Annual Report, July 1, 2009–June 30, 2010," Michigan State Police, http://www.michigan.gov/documents/msp/2009-10_CPL_Annual_Report_343621_7.pdf.

Michigan

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Edward Bell

CONVICTED

Date: May 12, 2010

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On May 12, 2010, Geraldine Jackson, a 69-year-old Detroit grandmother, was unintentionally shot and killed by a stray bullet fired by concealed handgun permit holder Edward Bell, 65. The bullet—which “slammed through” the wall of her home—struck her in the chest, killing her as she was preparing dinner for her granddaughter and a close friend. According to police, Bell was working on a house in the neighborhood when he was robbed with a fake gun by 19-year-old Antwan Hall and Bell’s Chevrolet Suburban sport utility vehicle was stolen. As the alleged thief drove away, Bell fired at him with a .45 handgun, resulting in the SUV crashing into a tree. Police believe that it was one of these bullets that ended Jackson’s life. Hall was charged with felony murder. No charges have yet been filed against Bell.

UPDATE: In July 2010, Bell pleaded guilty to a felony charge of firing at a building and agreed to one year of probation, with the first four months in jail. A manslaughter charge was dismissed in exchange for testimony and cooperation in prosecuting the carjacking suspect, Antwan Hall. Calling the deal unjust, Geraldine Jackson’s daughter Coretta Stoudemire, stated, “I know how everybody’s saying, ‘Poor Mr. Bell this and poor Mr. Bell that.’ What about my mother? What about our family?”

Source: “Edward Bell to get probation deal in shooting death of grandmother—Slain grandmother’s family fumes over deal,” *Detroit Free Press*, July 9, 2010; “Grandmother Killed by Stray Bullet Laid to Rest,” www.myfoxdetroit.com, May 19, 2010; “Victim of Stray Bullet Remembered,” www.wxyz.com, May 14, 2010; “Charges Likely in Accidental Shooting of Geraldine Jackson,” www.myfoxdetroit.com, May 13, 2010; “Stray bullet kills Detroit woman in her home,” *Detroit News*, May 13, 2010; “Woman, 69, Killed by Stray Bullet,” www.clickondetroit.com, May 12, 2010.

Michigan

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Tigh Croff

CONVICTED

Date: December 27, 2009

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On December 27, 2009, Tigh Croff allegedly shot and killed Herbert Silas after Silas and another man were reportedly attempting to burglarize his home. While one of the pair escaped, Croff confronted Silas—who was unarmed—in his backyard. According to a news report, Silas asked Croff, “What are you going to do? Shoot me?” To which Croff replied, “Absolutely,” before firing a bullet into Silas’ chest. Croff, who had a permit to carry a handgun, was charged with second degree murder.

Update: Croff was convicted of manslaughter on January 18, 2011. He was sentenced to a mandatory two years in prison for using a firearm in the commission of a felony and three years probation for the manslaughter charge.

Source: “Conviction of Tigh Croff, Detroit homeowner who killed burglar, proof that justice can frustrate,” *MLive.com*, January 19, 2011; “Detroit man gets minimum sentence in vigilante shooting,” *The Detroit News*, February 19, 2011; “Family defends Detroit homeowner charged after shooting unarmed burglary suspect,” *MLive.com*, January 4, 2010.

Michigan

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Jamar Pinkney, Sr.

CONVICTED

Date: November 16, 2009

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On November 16, 2009, Jamar Pinkney, Sr. allegedly shot and killed his 15-year-old son after the teen confessed to inappropriate sexual contact with a three-year-old. Witnesses said that Pinkney, Sr. seemed calm at a family meeting to discuss the incident but then suddenly erupted in a rage, punching, kicking, and pistol whipping the teen before stripping off the boy's clothes, marching him to a nearby field, and shooting him fatally once in the head. Pinkney is charged with first-degree premeditated murder, three counts of felonious assault, and one count of felony firearm.

UPDATE: In April 2010, Pinkney was found guilty of second-degree murder, and ordered to serve 37 to 82 years in prison. He was also convicted of three counts of assault for threatening other family members with the handgun. Sentences of two to four years are to be served concurrently with the sentence for second-degree murder and use of a firearm during the commission of a felony crime. Pinkney was also ordered to pay \$6,600 for his son's funeral expenses. At his sentencing, Pinkney stated, "I am truly sorry for what I did. I'm sad about losing my son...I am horrified by what I did."

Source: "Judge slams door on killer dad," *The Detroit News*, April 15, 2010; "Aunt says slain teen pleaded for life," *The Detroit News*, December 1, 2009.

Michigan

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Harlan Drake

CONVICTED

Date: September 11, 2009

People Killed: 2

Circumstances: On September 11, 2009, Harlan Drake, 33, allegedly opened fire from a passing vehicle, killing anti-abortion activist James Pouillon, 63. The shooting occurred at 7:20 AM outside Owosso High School, a site of frequent anti-abortion protests by Pouillon. Multiple witnesses, including high school students, gave police the license plate number of Drake's vehicle. Arrested approximately an hour after the shooting, Drake reportedly told authorities that he had been involved in an earlier shooting. Police were soon made aware of the murder of Michael Fuoss, owner of Fuoss Gravel. Fuoss was found dead in his office with multiple gunshot wounds. A 22 caliber gun and 45 caliber gun were sought in the killings. Pouillon and Fuoss were two of the three people police say Drake wanted to kill. Drake, who had a concealed handgun permit, was charged with two counts of murder, possession of a firearm during the commission of a felony, and possessing a weapon with unlawful intent. Drake will be using an insanity defense at his trial.

UPDATE: On Thursday, April 22, 2010, Harlan Drake was found guilty of first-degree premeditated murder in the shooting deaths of James Pouillon and Michael Fuoss. Jurors rejected Drake's claim that he was legally insane at the time of the shootings. Drake was sentenced to life in prison for the killings.

Source: "Double murderer Harlan Drake gets mandatory life sentence for 2009 killings," *Argus-Press*, April 22, 2010; "Insanity defense to be used in protester slaying," *Associated Press*, January 15, 2010; "UPDATE: Owosso man charged in fatal shootings," *BattleCreek Enquirer.com*, September 11, 2009; "UPDATE: Victims identified in Owosso shootings," *ConnectMidMichigan.com*, September 11, 2009.

Michigan

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Kevin Hoover

CONVICTED

Date: July 21, 2009

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On July 21, 2009, Kevin Hoover, 23, allegedly shot his father-in-law, Andre Settler, 43, during an argument that occurred during Hoover's backyard birthday party. According to his wife Cassaundra, Hoover was carrying the 45 caliber handgun during the party: "He had the handgun on his side since he woke up that morning...on his right hip in a holster." At approximately 9:50 PM Hoover and Settler, both of whom had been drinking, got into an argument, with Settler striking Hoover. According to Hoover's wife, "It just happened out of nowhere....He got struck a couple of times and he fell back and I heard gunshots." Hoover fled after the shooting and visited his mother, giving her the handgun. According to his mother, Hoover "was holding his face in his hands and crying and saying, 'I can't believe this happened.'" Hoover then traveled to the home of his aunt, Vickie Haymer, who helped him surrender to police. "I knew something wasn't right," said Haymer, who described Hoover as intoxicated and not himself. Hoover, who had a concealed handgun permit, was charged with open murder and use of a firearm in the commission of a felony.

UPDATE: On April 16, 2010, Kevin Hoover was sentenced to 25 to 50 years in prison plus two years for use of a firearm in the commission of a felony for his second-degree murder conviction in the death of Andre Settler. "If only people would learn to avoid the volatile mix of drugs, alcohol and guns we wouldn't be here today," Judge James Kingsley stated.

Source: "Man sentenced for shooting death," *BattleCreekEnquirer.com*, April 16, 2010; "Woman testifies in father's shooting," *BattleCreekEnquirer.com*, August 19, 2009.

Michigan

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Name Not Provided

SUICIDE

Date: Between July 1, 2008 and June 30, 2009

People Killed: 28

Circumstances: Between July 1, 2008 and June 30, 2009, Michigan State Police report that 28 Michigan concealed handgun permit holders took their own lives. In their annual report, the Michigan State Police do not release the victim's name, the exact date of the suicide, nor the type of weapon used in the suicide.

Source: "Concealed Pistol Licensing Annual Report, Statewide Totals, General Information, July 1, 2008–June 30, 2009," Michigan State Police, http://www.michigan.gov/documents/msp/CPL_Annual_Report_2008-2009_307251_7.pdf.

Michigan

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Arlando Davis

SHOT AND KILLED DURING INCIDENT

Date: May 24, 2009

People Killed: 1 (by permit holder)

Circumstances: On May 24, 2009, Arlando Davis shot and killed Jarmel Hodges following a dispute about a loud party. Police said that it appeared the dispute started in the street between the two men over a loud party which included someone firing shots. Davis and Hodges both fired shots at each other and each died from his wounds. Davis had a concealed handgun permit.

Source: "2 die in Sunday shooting," *Battle Creek Enquirer*, May 25, 2009.

Michigan

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Salam Shaker Zora

CONVICTED

Date: January 23, 2009

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On January 23, 2009, Salam Shaker Zora, 41, of Saginaw, shot and killed his brother-in-law Najem Matti, 37. Zora had gone to Matti's home to confront him about an alleged theft of \$250,000 that had been hidden in a pickle bucket in a shed at one of Zora's homes. The "family meeting" was to discuss a proposal by Zora, who was accompanied by his two brothers, to have Matti swear on a Bible in a Catholic church that he hadn't stolen the money. During trial, the defense said that the shooting was in self-defense, claiming that during the confrontation Matti suddenly pointed to his forehead and stated, "Shoot me right here. I don't want this life." The defense claimed that he then ran into the kitchen and returned with a barbecue fork, uttering a Chaldean (an ancient region of Mesopotamia) war cry and advanced toward Zora. Assistant Prosecutor Steve Kaplan noted, however, that Zora lied and omitted information during interviews with police. He also argued that the pattern of gunshot wounds and the position of the bullets recovered at the scene suggested that Zora had continued to shoot Matti after he'd already fallen to the ground. Zora's only witness, his brother Maher Zora, said his brother had a concealed handgun permit and often carried a gun, but was surprised when gunfire broke out. Salam Shaker Zora was found guilty of second-degree murder.

Source: "Jury finds second-degree murder in Sterling man's death," *candgnews*, date on printout listed as September 23, 2009; "Suspect in brother-in-law's murder appears in court," *candgnews.com*, date on printout listed as April 22, 2009.

Michigan

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Troy Brake

CONVICTED

Date: September 29, 2008

People Killed: 4

Circumstances: On September 29, 2008, Troy Brake, 31, shot to death 52-year-old Sharmaine Zimmer, her sons, Tyler (age 17) and Jeremy (age 20), and beat to death Jeremy's girlfriend, university student Katherine Brown (age 18). Brake once lived next door to the Zimmers and had lived with them for a time while growing up. At trial, the jury was told that Brake shot the Zimmers to death in order to have sex with Brown, and that he then doused the lower half of Brown's body with gasoline. The Zimmers' house was set on fire and destroyed. A month after the attack, police arrested Brake for beating up a prostitute and found that a 40 caliber Glock pistol owned by Brake was linked to the earlier murders. Brake, who had a concealed handgun permit, was convicted of first degree murder in the deaths of the Zimmer family and Katherine Brown. He was also convicted of assault and rape of the prostitute he had attacked.

Source: "Victims' families applaud investigators, prosecutor after Troy Brake is found guilty of four Wright Township murders," *The Grand Rapids Press*, May 28, 2009; "Jurors will have Troy Brake's testimony to consider Thursday," *The Grand Rapids Press*, March 25, 2009.

Michigan

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Name Not Provided

SUICIDE

Date: Between July 1, 2007 and June 30, 2008

People Killed: 29

Circumstances: Between July 1, 2007 and June 30, 2008, Michigan State Police report that 29 Michigan concealed handgun permit holders took their own lives. In their annual report, the Michigan State Police do not release the victim's name, the exact date of the suicide, nor the type of weapon used in the suicide.

Source: "Concealed Pistol Licensing Annual Report, Statewide Totals, General Information, July 1, 2007–June 30, 2008," Michigan State Police, http://www.michigan.gov/documents/msp/CPL_Annual_Report_2007-2008_269128_7.pdf.

Michigan

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Name Not Provided

CONVICTED

Date: Between July 1, 2007 and June 30, 2008

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: Between July 1, 2007 and June 30, 2008, Michigan State Police report that one Michigan concealed handgun permit holder was convicted of negligent homicide. In their annual report, the Michigan State Police do not release the offender's name, the exact date of the event, nor the type of weapon used in the homicide.

Source: "Concealed Pistol Licensing Annual Report, Statewide Totals, General Information, July 1, 2007–June 30, 2008," Michigan State Police, http://www.michigan.gov/documents/msp/CPL_Annual_Report_2007-2008_269128_7.pdf.

Minnesota

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Names Not Provided

CONVICTED

Date: 2024

People Killed: 9

Circumstances: Between January 1, 2024 and December 31, 2024, the Minnesota Department of Public Safety reported that among the reported convictions of individuals with permits to carry were nine homicide offenses, which consist of murder and non-negligent manslaughter, negligent manslaughter, assisting suicide, and criminal vehicular homicide.

Source: *2024 Permit to Carry Report*, State of Minnesota Department of Public Safety, Bureau of Criminal Apprehension, March 1, 2025.

Minnesota

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Misti Dawn Nelson

PENDING

Date: December 30, 2023

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On December 30, 2023, concealed carry permit holder Misti Dawn Nelson, 27, allegedly shot and killed Kenneth Maurice Johnson, 40, following a brawl at Mr. Santana, a popular late-night deli. Witnesses told police that five customers, including Nelson, were waiting to buy food when Johnson entered with two women who started a fight with a male customer. Surveillance footage showed the manager, who is also Nelson's sister, walk into the crowd as people were shoving one another inside the small store. Nelson pulled a handgun from her waistband and began hitting one of the women who had started the brawl in the head. Johnson, who had been outside the store, re-entered and pushed Nelson backward while one of his female friends punched Nelson in the face. Nelson was pushed out of the shop, but as the brawl continued she opened the door before allegedly firing a shot into the crowd. Johnson exited the shop and was shot a second time. Johnson collapsed on the street and was taken to the hospital where he died. Nelson turned herself in about eight hours later, and admitted to shooting Johnson, telling police she "aimed at his torso like she was 'trained' in the permit to carry class." Nelson claimed she fired because she feared for her sister's safety and that Johnson was "bigger than her." In 2018 Nelson pleaded guilty to one misdemeanor count and served one year of probation in an animal cruelty case stemming from the discovery of 46 cats and dogs in the house she shared with her mother. The animals were in such poor condition that 33 of them had to be euthanized. Nelson was charged with second degree murder.

Sources: "27-year-old woman charged with murder in weekend shooting at Marcy-Holmes deli," *startribune.com*, January 4, 2024.

Minnesota

■ **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Michael Dillon Price

PENDING

Date: April 23, 2023

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On April 23, 2023, concealed handgun permit holder Michael Dillon Price, 31, allegedly shot and killed his neighbor Amy Cathleen Theis, 47. Theis was found dead with a gunshot wound to the head outside her home on the morning of April 24. Price arrived at the scene that morning and was detained by officers as he appeared intoxicated and made statements that led them to believe he was involved in the shooting. Investigators obtained a warrant to search the homes of Price and Theis. Inside Theis' home they found 9mm pistol rounds, observed a bullet hole in the wall of the living room, and saw broken glass from her front storm door. Inside Price's home they found ammunition matching the caliber and brand found in Theis' home. Price is alleged to own a Glock 19 pistol and a case for the gun was found in his home, but the handgun was not present. Police also found broken glass that appeared to have come from Theis' storm door near the entrance to Price's garage and in his home. Surveillance footage captured what is believed to be the sound of a gunshot, followed minutes later by a black car matching the description of Price's speeding away from the scene before returning an hour later. According to court documents, Price's roommate told investigators that Price has "a problem with alcohol" and also uses marijuana and cocaine. Price was charged with first degree intentional homicide.

Sources: "Man charged with murder after woman found shot in the head in River Falls," *kstp.com*, April 26, 2023.

Minnesota

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Names Not Provided

CONVICTED

Date: 2022

People Killed: 5

Circumstances: Between January 1, 2022 and December 31, 2022, the Minnesota Department of Public Safety reported that among the reported convictions of individuals with permits to carry were five homicide offenses, which consist of murder and non-negligent manslaughter, negligent manslaughter, assisting suicide, and criminal vehicular homicide.

Source: *2022 Permit to Carry Report*, State of Minnesota Department of Public Safety, Bureau of Criminal Apprehension, March 1, 2023.

Minnesota

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Names Not Provided

CONVICTED

Date: 2021

People Killed: 11

Circumstances: Between January 1, 2021 and December 31, 2021, the Minnesota Department of Public Safety reported that among the reported convictions of individuals with permits to carry were 11 homicide offenses, which consist of murder and non-negligent manslaughter, negligent manslaughter, assisting suicide, or criminal vehicular homicide.

Source: *2021 Permit to Carry Report*, State of Minnesota Department of Public Safety, Bureau of Criminal Apprehension, March 1, 2022.

Minnesota

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Brandon Kron

CONVICTED

Date: August 24, 2020

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On August 24, 2020, concealed handgun permit holder Brandon Kron, 22, was involved in the shooting death of Charles Ray Mosby Jr., 22, outside a strip mall in Columbia Heights, Minnesota. After reviewing surveillance video, officers say several men including Kron, Dominic Sampson, 19, and Cashmere Smith, 21, were loitering around the area of the Totem Superette. According to police, Smith grabbed a gun from a nearby vehicle and gave it to Kron, who then later gave it back to Smith. Mosby arrived on the scene around 10:15 PM, and according to police the men were “quite amicable” at that time. Ten minutes later, video allegedly shows Kron hand a gun to Sampson, who put the gun in his pocket. Despite no apparent conflict on the surveillance video, when Mosby turned to leave the area at 10:33 PM, Sampson allegedly pulled a gun from his pocket and shot Mosby in the back several times at close range. Kron fled the scene in a vehicle by himself while Smith and Sampson went together in a separate vehicle. On August 25, Kron was apprehended by police. He admitted knowing all the suspects in the case and told police they were all present and that guns were present at the time of the shooting but denied any knowledge of the shooting. Smith and Sampson remain at large and warrants have been issued for their arrest. Kron was charged with aiding and abetting second degree murder.

UPDATE: On September 22, 2021, Brandon Kron pleaded guilty to the felony charge of aiding an offender in the shooting death of Charles Ray Mosby. In December 2021, Kron was sentenced to 41 months in prison.

Source: “Columbia Heights man gets prison for aiding offender, murder charge dismissed,” *hometownsource.com*, December 9, 2021; “3 charged in Columbia Heights fatal shooting of 22-year-old man; 2 at large and considered public safety, flight risk,” *kstp.com*, August 27, 2020.

Minnesota

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Anthony J. Trifiletti

CONVICTED

Date: May 1, 2020

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On May 1, 2020, concealed handgun permit holder Anthony J. Trifiletti, 24, allegedly shot and killed Douglas C. Lewis, 39, following a minor traffic accident. Trifiletti told investigators that a silver Ford bumped his pickup truck from behind so he and Lewis both pulled their vehicles onto Burns Avenue. After exchanging insurance information, Trifiletti claimed that the conversation escalated to shouting, with Trifiletti claiming that he heard Lewis say, "I'm GD," which Trifiletti interpreted as an assertion of gang membership. Both men returned to their vehicles and pulled away. Trifiletti claimed he "unintentionally" followed Lewis who stopped his car and got out. When Lewis advanced toward him, Trifiletti allegedly fired four times from approximately 10 feet away. Trifiletti claimed that he acted in self-defense, claiming that he feared for his life and that Lewis was reaching under his shirt for a weapon. A young couple who witnessed both the argument and the shooting never reported hearing a reference to GD and said Lewis did not appear to have a weapon. The couple provided first aid to Lewis as Trifiletti fled the scene in his pickup truck. Trifiletti returned minutes later and surrendered to police. Investigators asked Trifiletti if he could have simply driven away to avoid the shooting but Trifiletti claimed that he "didn't think that was an option" because a car was preventing him from backing out, and Lewis was so close to him. Trifiletti was previously convicted of DWI but had no record of violent offenses. Trifiletti was charged with second-degree murder.

UPDATE: On March 8, 2021, a mistrial was declared in the trial of Anthony Trifiletti when the jury could not reach a verdict. On March 15, 2021, the Ramsey County Attorney's Office announced Trifiletti would be re-tried for second degree murder. In April 2021, Trifiletti was found guilty of second degree murder in the death of Douglas Lewis. On June 2, 2021, Trifiletti was sentenced to 12 and a half years in prison.

Source: "Man sentenced to 12.5 years in prison for deadly St. Paul road rage shooting," *fox9news.com*, June 2, 2021; "After mistrial, county to retry Anthony Trifiletti for deadly St. Paul fender bender shooting," *minnesota.cbslocal.com*, March 15, 2021; "A Ramsey County case is declared a mistrial, what that means going forward," *kstp.com*, March 10, 2021; "Murder charges: Shooter with permit fired at unarmed man after fender bender," *startribune.com*, May 4, 2020.

Minnesota

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Ts'John T. Reed

CONVICTED

Date: May 1, 2020

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On May 1, 2020, concealed handgun permit holder Ts'John T. Reed, 22, shot and killed Darius K. Van, 28, following an altercation inside the Mini Pac market at a gas station in St. Paul. According to witnesses, the incident began when Van attempted to reclaim his place in line after stepping away. Reed became angry and the two men exchanged words before bumping into one another. Surveillance footage showed Reed pulling a handgun from his jacket and pointing it at Van. Reed reportedly threatened Van, saying, "These bullets work. I'll be out by the time I'm 40. I'll kill you. I don't give a (expletive)." A witness reported Van saying to Reed, "You think you're tough because you have two guns? Why don't you drop the guns and take it outside?" A store clerk reported that Reed had a gun in each hand and heard him threaten to shoot Van and "kill everyone in the store." Van momentarily left the market, and as he re-entered Reed allegedly shot him. Reed fled the scene, before later turning himself in to police. Reed admitted that he "lost control" during the incident, but claimed that he feared that his life was in danger as Van advanced toward him. Reed was charged with two counts of second-degree murder.

UPDATE: In June 2021, Ts'John T. Reed pleaded guilty to second degree unintentional murder in the death of Darius K. Van. In November 2021, Reed was sentenced to 15 years in prison. In a court filing prior to sentencing, prosecutors noted, "Despite Reed having his permit to carry having taken a class on firearms handling, including conflict avoidance and de-escalation, he completely disregarded his training. Reed was arrogant and reckless in the care required to handle a firearm and Van lost his life because of it and put many more lives in potential jeopardy."

Source: "15-year term for man who fatally shot fellow St. Paul gas station patron," *startribune.com*, November 2, 2021; "Charges: Dispute at St. Paul gas station leads to fatal shooting," *startribune.com*, May 5, 2020; "St. Paul police: Murder suspects had permits to carry guns," *mprnews.com*, May 4, 2020.

Minnesota

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Name Not Provided

CONVICTED

Date: 2020

People Killed: 6

Circumstances: Between January 1, 2020 and December 31, 2020, the Minnesota Department of Public Safety reported that among the reported convictions of individuals with permits to carry were six homicide offenses, which consist of murder and non-negligent manslaughter, negligent manslaughter, assisting suicide, or criminal vehicular homicide.

Source: *2020 Permit to Carry Report*, State of Minnesota Department of Public Safety, Bureau of Criminal Apprehension, March 1, 2021.

Minnesota

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Justin M. Girling

CONVICTED

Date: January 31, 2018

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On January 31, 2018, concealed handgun permit holder Justin M. Girling, 32, allegedly shot and killed his half-brother, Kurt R. Schmeck, 47, after Schmeck woke him up. Schmeck and his mother had fought earlier in the day because Schmeck was upset she was baking cookies. He left the house to buy chickpeas at the grocery store, and was complaining to his mother about the service he had received at the store when Girling came downstairs to complain about the noise they were making. Schmeck walked towards Girling, who shot him with a handgun from approximately six feet away. When Schmeck tried to get up, Girling shot him two more times. The half-brothers apparently hated one another, according to their mother. Police said there was no sign of a struggle, and that the home was tidy and “smelled of freshly baked chocolate chip and walnut cookies which were on the counter and still in the oven.” Girling has been charged with second-degree murder with intent.

UPDATE: In June 2018, Justin Girling pleaded guilty to second degree murder with intent for the killing of Kurt Schmeck. On November 29, 2018, Girling was sentenced to 15 years in prison.

Source: “St. Paul man gets 15 years in prison for killing brother in the family home,” *startribune.com*, November 30, 2018; “Feuding brothers led to St. Paul murder, charges say” *www.startribune.com*, February 2, 2018.

Minnesota

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Name Not Provided

CONVICTED

Date: 2018

People Killed: 5

Circumstances: Between January 1, 2018 and December 31, 2018, the Minnesota Department of Public Safety reported that among the reported convictions of individuals with permits to carry were five homicide offenses, which consist of murder and non-negligent manslaughter, negligent manslaughter, assisting suicide, or criminal vehicular homicide.

Source: *2018 Permit to Carry Report*, State of Minnesota Department of Public Safety, Bureau of Criminal Apprehension, March 1, 2019.

Minnesota

■ Concealed Handgun Permit Holder: David Krauss

SUICIDE

Date: March 30, 2017

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On March 30, 2017, concealed handgun permit holder David Krauss, 29, shot his son Wyatt Krauss, eight, in the head with a 9mm handgun before turning the gun on himself in an attempted murder-suicide at their home in Grand Rapids, Minnesota. David Krauss's mother went to the house after attempting to contact him earlier in the day and found the door unlocked. After entering, she found David and Wyatt in Wyatt's bedroom. David was dead from a gunshot wound to the head, but Wyatt was still breathing. He was taken to a hospital in Duluth in critical condition. The handgun Krauss used was found at the scene and had been purchased on March 22, 2017.

Sources: "Child critically injured in attempted murder-suicide," www.grandrapidsmn.com, April 1, 2017.

Minnesota

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Name Not Provided

CONVICTED

Date: 2017

People Killed: 9

Circumstances: Between January 1, 2017 and December 31, 2017, the Minnesota Department of Public Safety reported that among the reported convictions of individuals with permits to carry were nine homicide offenses, which consist of murder and non-negligent manslaughter, negligent manslaughter, assisting suicide, or criminal vehicular homicide.

Source: *2017 Permit to Carry Report*, State of Minnesota Department of Public Safety, Bureau of Criminal Apprehension, March 1, 2018.

Minnesota

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Stephen Carl Allwine

CONVICTED

Date: November 13, 2016

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On November 13, 2016, Amy Louise Allwine, 43, wife of concealed handgun permit holder Stephen Carl Allwine, 43, was found dead in their home from a gunshot wound to the head, a 9mm Springfield XDS pistol near her body. According to police, Stephen Allwine had been attempting to hire a hitman to kill his wife through the untraceable “dark web” since Valentine’s Day, 2016. After this effort failed, Allwine obtained a concealed handgun permit on August 10, 2016 and bought the 9mm pistol that would later be used to kill the victim. He also reportedly used the dark web to inquire about the drug scopolamine, known as a “mind control” drug. The victim was found to have had 45 times the normal prescribed amount of scopolamine in her body when she died, and did not have a prescription for the drug. Stephen Allwine also allegedly sent his wife two anonymous emails urging her to kill herself for the sake of her family. Police reported that the evidence was not consistent with a suicide, including the absence of gunpowder on the victim’s hands. According to statements made by the couple’s nine-year-old son, who discovered the body, when he asked his father why his mother was sleeping on the floor, Allwine replied, “She’s probably dead.” Allwine has been charged with second-degree murder.

UPDATE: On January 31, 2018, Stephen Allwine was found guilty of first degree murder in the death of Amy Louise Allwine. On February 2, 2018, Stephen Allwine was sentenced to life in prison.

Sources: “Allwine receives life sentence for killing wife, staging suicide,” *rosemounttownpages.com*, February 2, 2018; “Stephen Allwine found guilty of killing his wife, staging death as suicide,” *startribune.com*, January 31, 2018; “Cottage Grove husband set up her death as suicide after failed hit, police say,” *www.twincities.com*, January 18, 2017.

Minnesota

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** David M. Easter

CONVICTED

Date: August 23, 2016

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On August 23, 2016, concealed handgun permit holder David M. Easter, 26, allegedly shot and killed Spencer Daniel Brown, 23, at Myre-Big Island State Park in southern Minnesota. Easter is a private in the Minnesota National Guard. Easter's wife Karla and their infant daughter were nearby at the time of the shooting. According to Karla Easter, her husband confronted the victim who was in his car and the two men exchanged words. Karla heard the victim tell her husband to stop shining a light at him. She then heard gunshots and saw that the man in the car was wounded. David Easter called 911 to report the shooting and surrendered peacefully when officers arrived, turning over his 45 caliber pistol. According to Sheriff Kurt Freitag, Easter claimed that the man had come at him with a baseball bat. But the sheriff noted there was no evidence to support this claim, as Easter was outside the car and allegedly fired twice through the closed driver's side window. A positive ID on the victim was complicated due to his being shot in the face. Easter had a valid concealed carry permit from Nebraska, but Minnesota does not have a reciprocity agreement with Nebraska. Easter was charged with second degree murder.

UPDATE: On April 13, 2017, a jury found David M. Easter guilty of second-degree murder in the death of Spencer Daniel Brown. Easter was also found guilty of gross misdemeanor carrying or possessing a pistol without a permit in a public place. Easter had a Nebraska concealed weapons permit but did not have a valid Minnesota permit.

UPDATE: On September 15, 2017, Easter was sentenced to more than 25 years in prison for fatally shooting Spencer Brown. With credit for time already served, Easter will serve the first 16 and three quarters years in prison with the balance served on supervised release.

Source: "25-year term for gunman who killed man sitting in car in state park near Albert Lea," *Minneapolis Star-Tribune*, September 18, 2017; Jury finds Easter guilty of 2nd-degree murder, gun violation," *www.albertleatribune.com*, April 13, 2017; "Gunman charged in shooting death in Minn. state park is in National Guard," *Minneapolis Star Tribune*, August 25, 2016.

Minnesota

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Name Not Provided

CONVICTED

Date: 2016

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: Between January 1, 2016 and December 31, 2016, the Minnesota Department of Public Safety reported that among the reported convictions of individuals with permits was one homicide offense, which consist of murder and non-negligent manslaughter, negligent manslaughter, assisting suicide, or criminal vehicular homicide.

Source: *2016 Permit to Carry Report*, State of Minnesota Department of Public Safety, Bureau of Criminal Apprehension, March 1, 2017.

Minnesota

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Kirk Lee Bigby

CONVICTED

Date: December 10, 2015

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On December 10, 2015, concealed handgun permit holder Kirk Lee Bigby, 61, shot and killed Marcus Lee Roberts, 35, with a .45 handgun at the Bluefin Bay resort in Tofte, MN. A witness reported seeing Bigby, who was known as “Kirk the firewood guy,” pull out a gun and shoot Roberts. Roberts was a blackjack dealer working a holiday party at the resort. Authorities have not released information on what may have motivated the shooting, reporting only that Bigby “came into physical contact” with Roberts, and shot him with a handgun. Bigby was charged with second degree murder and faces up to 40 years in prison if convicted.

UPDATE: On May 26, 2017, Kirk Lee Bigby pleaded guilty to unintentional second degree murder in the death of Marcus Lee Roberts. On August 9, 2017, Bigby was sentenced to 12 ½ years in prison, including a mandatory 100 months in prison with the possibility of 50 months on supervised release.

Source: “Bluefin shooter sentenced to more than 12 years on murder charge,” *wtip.org*, August 9, 2017; “Suspect pleads guilty in North Shore homicide,” *Duluth News-Tribune*, May 26, 2017; “Charges: Man Shot, Killed During Holiday Party At North Shore Resort,” *minnesota.cbslocal.com*, December 14, 2015; “Employee charged in murder of Twin Cities man outside North Shore resort,” *startribune.com*, December 12, 2015.

Minnesota

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Lepierre Carpenter

CONVICTED

Date: August 3, 2015

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On August 3, 2015, concealed handgun permit holder Lepierre Carpenter, 24, allegedly shot and killed Parnell Robinson, 26, outside the apartment complex where he lived. Carpenter's sister told police that Carpenter and Robinson had been arguing about drugs on Facebook for the past few months. According to news reports, on the day of the shooting, Robinson saw a male friend pass by and yelled, "Where your fat — going?" and teased the friend for letting his girlfriend make him walk to the store, even though he had a car. Shots were fired and Robinson fell to the ground. When Robinson's girlfriend asked Carpenter why he allegedly shot, he replied, "That's what he gets for talking ----." When police arrived, Carpenter put his hands on his head and said, "it's me....I let my rage get the best of me." He also reportedly asked police, "How much time do you think I'm looking at for something like this?" According to the medical examiner, Robinson was shot twice with one bullet going through his heart, and the other striking his neck and ending up at the base of his skull. Carpenter was arrested and charged with second degree murder.

UPDATE: In November 2015, Lepierre Carpenter pleaded guilty to second degree murder in the death of Parnell Robinson. On January 15, 2016, Carpenter was sentenced to 25 ½ years in prison with credit for 166 days served.

Source: "St. Paul man sentenced to 25 years for fatally shooting neighbor," *kstp.com*, January 15, 2016; "Charge: St. Paul killer says rage prompted him to fatally shoot man in back," *Minneapolis Star-Tribune*, August 5, 2015.

Minnesota

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Name Not Provided

CONVICTED

Date: 2015

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: Between January 1, 2015 and December 31, 2015, the Minnesota Department of Public Safety reported that among the reported convictions of individuals with permits was one homicide offense, which consist of murder and non-negligent manslaughter, negligent manslaughter, assisting suicide, or criminal vehicular homicide.

Source: *2015 Permit to Carry Report*, State of Minnesota Department of Public Safety, Bureau of Criminal Apprehension, February 26, 2016.

Minnesota

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Name Not Provided

CONVICTED

Date: 2014

People Killed: 3

Circumstances: Between January 1, 2014 and December 31, 2014, the Minnesota Department of Public Safety reported that among the reported convictions of individuals with permits were three homicide offenses, which consist of murder and non-negligent manslaughter, negligent manslaughter, assisting suicide, or criminal vehicular homicide.

Source: *2014 Permit to Carry Report*, State of Minnesota Department of Public Safety, Bureau of Criminal Apprehension, March 1, 2015.

Minnesota

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Ted Hoffstrom

SHOT AND KILLED BY POLICE

Date: November 15, 2013

People Killed: 2 (including shooter)

Circumstances: On November 15, 2013, concealed handgun permit holder Ted Hoffstrom, 30, traveled to the home of Dr. Stephen Larson, 74, where, after a brief argument, he shot and killed the doctor. Fourteen minutes later Hoffstrom was shot and killed by police. Hoffstrom, who worked at a liquor store, had attained a law degree, and just passed the bar, had been born with his hands and feet attached to his body. They had to be surgically detached, resulting in ongoing medical issues, including occasionally walking with a limp. Hoffstrom blamed Larson, who had been his mother's physician, for his birth defects. According to news reports, Hoffstrom had recently obtained a concealed handgun permit and then purchased the handgun used to kill Larson.

Source: "Orono shooting suspected blamed OB/GYN for birth defect, friends say," www.myfoxtwincities.com, November 20, 2013.

Minnesota

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Name Not Provided

CONVICTED

Date: 2013

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: Between January 1, 2013 and December 31, 2013, the Minnesota Department of Public Safety reported that among the reported convictions of individuals with permits was one Homicide Offense - Murder and Non-negligent Manslaughter, Negligent Manslaughter, Assisting Suicide, or Criminal Vehicular Homicide.

Source: *2013 Permit to Carry Report*, State of Minnesota Department of Public Safety, Bureau of Criminal Apprehension, March 1, 2014.

Minnesota

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Kao Xiong

CONVICTED

Date: December 5, 2012

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On December 5, 2012, a four-year-old boy unintentionally shot and killed his two-year-old brother while playing with their father's handgun. The boys' father Kao Xiong, 31, had a concealed handgun permit and was at home at the time of the shooting. According to police, Xiong had eight guns in the family's two bedroom home at the time of the shooting. The gun used in the shooting was stashed between the bed and the mattress in Xiong's bedroom. Xiong was charged with second degree manslaughter and child endangerment, with a trial date set for May 20, 2013.

UPDATE: In May 2013, Kao Xiong was convicted of manslaughter and child endangerment. On June 27, 2013, Xiong was sentenced to probation and time served, and was ordered to spend 100 hours talking to the Hmong community about gun safety. Sentencing guidelines called for a four-year prison term, but the Hennepin County Attorney and the judge in the case agreed that Xiong had taken responsibility for his son's death.

Source: "No prison for Kao Xiong, dad whose unsecured gun was used by 4-year-old to kill brother, 2," *citypages.com*, June 27, 2013; "Father of Minneapolis toddler killed in accidental shooting will stand trial," *Minneapolis Star-Tribune*, March 19, 2013; "Toddler shot to death by brother at Minneapolis home," *Minneapolis Star-Tribune*, December 5, 2012.

Minnesota

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Andrew Engeldinger

SUICIDE

Date: September 27, 2012

People Killed: 7 (including shooter)

Circumstances: On September 27, 2012, concealed handgun permit holder Andrew Engeldinger, 36, armed with a 9mm semiautomatic Glock pistol, shot and killed six people and wounded two at Accent Signage Systems in Minneapolis before taking his own life. At the end of the workday, Engeldinger was informed by two of the company's managers that he was losing his job. Engeldinger replied, "Oh really," and pulled his holstered pistol and shot the two men, fatally wounding one and injuring the other. He then proceeded through the workplace, fatally shooting three additional co-workers, some of whom were trying to help other victims, as well as a United Parcel Service delivery man. He then shot another co-worker, who later died in hospital from his wounds. Engeldinger was later found by authorities in the basement of the business, dead from a self-inflicted gunshot wound from the Glock pistol. Witnesses described Engeldinger as calm during the mass shooting, stating that he didn't "appear to be moving fast but walking and moving in a normal manner." Engeldinger had reportedly struggled with mental illness for years. He had purchased his handgun legally in October 2011 from KGS Guns and Ammo in Minneapolis for "around \$620."

Source: "Sixth victim in shooting rampage dies," *MPRnews*, October 11, 2012; "Andrew Engeldinger, Minnesota Gunman, Said 'Oh Really' Before He Started Shooting," *Associated Press*, October 6, 2012; "Minneapolis office shooting suspect: Who was Andrew Engeldinger?," *www.myfoxtwincities.com*, September 28, 2012

Minnesota

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Name Not Provided

CONVICTED

Date: 2012

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: Between January 1, 2012 and December 31, 2012, the Minnesota Department of Public Safety reported that among the reported crimes committed by individuals with permits was one “Murder/Manslaughter.”

Source: “2012 Permit to Carry Report,” State of Minnesota Department of Public Safety, Bureau of Criminal Apprehension, March 1, 2013.

Minnesota

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Brock McCarthy

SUICIDE

Date: June 30, 2010

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On June 30, 2010, concealed handgun permit holder Brock McCarthy, 33, was found by his wife in their home dead of a self-inflicted gunshot wound. Brock had recently pleaded guilty to sexually assaulting a pre-teen girl multiple times in 2005. McCarthy had admitted to having at least half a dozen sexual encounters with the girl and told police that he had been sexually abused as a child and could not protect his victim from himself. On June 23, 2010, McCarthy pleaded guilty to first-degree criminal sexual conduct. As part of a plea agreement, a charge of second-degree criminal sexual conduct was to be dismissed. Brock was to be sentenced on August 18, 2010. According to the criminal complaint, police took extra precautions in finding and detaining McCarthy because he was known to have one or more handguns and a permit to carry.

Source: "Duluth sexual assault suspect commits suicide," *ParkRapidsEnterprise.com*, July 2, 2010.

Minnesota

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Michelle Rae Wilson

CONVICTED

Date: January 13, 2008

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On January 13, 2008, Michelle Rae Wilson shot and killed Carl Jackson during an argument over their past relationship. That evening Jackson called 911 from Wilson's home and told the operator that his ex-girlfriend was "beating him upside his head" and that he was trying not to hit her and trying to get out of the house. The sound of a woman yelling in the background could be heard over the phone. Then gunshots were heard and the line went dead. Wilson had fired six shots from a Glock pistol, three of them hitting Jackson in the forehead, shoulder, and chest. The handgun had been given to Wilson by her nephew, a police officer, for self-protection. Wilson, who had a concealed handgun permit, was charged with second degree murder. In court, Wilson claimed that Jackson had assaulted her and that she had fired her handgun in self-defense. Wilson was convicted in December 2009.

Source: "Wilson is found guilty of killing ex-boyfriend," *StarTribune.com*, December 17, 2009; "St. Paul killer testifies she was defending herself," *StarTribune.com*, December 15, 2009; "St. Paul woman on trial in ex-boyfriend's fatal shooting," *St. Paul Pioneer Press*, December 7, 2009; "The Smoking Gun: a Killing in St. Paul," *Windypundit.com*, August 6, 2009.

Minnesota

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Name Not Provided

CONVICTED

Date: 2008

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On March 1, 2009, the State of Minnesota Department of Public Safety, Bureau of Criminal Apprehension, reported in its *2008 Permit to Carry Report* that among the “Reported Crimes Committed By Permit Holders” was one Murder/Manslaughter.

Source: *2008 Permit to Carry Report*, State of Minnesota Department of Public Safety, Bureau of Criminal Apprehension, March 1, 2009, <https://dps.mn.gov/divisions/bca/bca-divisions/administrative/Documents/2008PTSReport.pdf>.

Mississippi

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Alex Deaton

CONVICTED

Date: February 22, 2017–March 1, 2017

People Killed: 2

Circumstances: On February 22, 2017, concealed handgun permit holder Alex Deaton, 28, allegedly strangled his ex-girlfriend, Heather Robinson, 30, in her home in Rankin County, Mississippi. The next day, February 23, 2017, Deaton drove to Neshoba County, Mississippi and allegedly shot and killed Brenda Pinter, 69, inside Dixon Baptist Church. He then allegedly drove back to Rankin County where he shot and injured a jogger from his car. From there, he fled west in his vehicle, and was spotted in Oklahoma before allegedly kidnapping a couple at gunpoint in New Mexico on February 28, forcing them into the trunk of their car. The couple escaped the trunk but the male victim was shot and wounded. Deaton then allegedly held the female victim at gunpoint and forced her to enter a residence with him, where he requested the residents' keys to their vehicle. Deaton and the woman left in a stolen van, although the woman was able to escape. Deaton then returned to the original scene of the kidnapping and got back into the couple's car. Deaton eventually abandoned the stolen car in a convenience store parking lot in Kansas. Deaton entered the store and shot clerk Riley Juel, 19, at point-blank range after demanding his car keys. Juel survived. Deaton drove off in Juel's car and Kansas law enforcement pursued him, eventually ending the chase with a tactical vehicle intervention on the morning of March 1, 2017. Deaton was arrested and charged with murder in the deaths of Robinson and Pinter, attempted first-degree murder in the shooting of Juel, and aggravated assault in the shooting of the jogger in Mississippi. He faces additional charges in New Mexico and Kansas.

UPDATE: On July 7, 2017, Alex Deaton pleaded guilty to attempted first degree murder and aggravated robbery in Kansas.

UPDATE: On August 13, 2018, Alex Deaton pleaded guilty to strangling his girlfriend to death, stealing her car, and shooting a jogger in February 2017. He was sentenced to life in prison for murder plus 40 years for auto theft and drive-by shooting.

Sources: "Mississippi man accused in crime spree pleads guilty in girlfriend's death," *clarionledger.com*, August 13, 2018; "Alex Deaton pleads guilty to attempted first-degree murder, aggravated robbery in Kansas," *wjtv.com*, July 7, 2017; "Alex Deaton scheduled in court in Kansas on Friday," *www.msnewsnow.com*, March 6, 2017; "Accused Mississippi killer to face Kansas judge," *www.clarionledger.com*, March 6, 2017; "Sheriff says suspect at center of manhunt 'appears to have snapped'," *wmbfnews.com*, February 27, 2017.

Mississippi

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Mark Caudill

SHOT AND KILLED DURING INCIDENT

Date: February 16, 2011

People Killed: 2 (including permit holder)

Circumstances: On February 16, 2011, concealed handgun permit Mark Caudill, 33, illegally brought his 40 caliber handgun into the Elbow Room Lounge, where he was “showing it off.” At approximately 12:25 AM, Daniel Paul Copple, 43, arrived at the bar. Copple, who in the previous hour had been in an altercation at another bar and had hit a pedestrian with his truck, was returning to the nearby Gilmer Inn, where he was staying. According to witnesses, Caudill pulled his gun when Copple began acting “erratic.” Copple disarmed Caudill and then allegedly shot him multiple times with his own (Caudill’s) handgun, killing him. Another bar patron, James “Bennet” Mann, 42, was allegedly shot at least three times by Copple when he tried to intervene. Mann later died at a local hospital. Copple was charged with two counts of murder as well as one count of aggravated assault resulting from his having hit the pedestrian, who was treated and released. As Copple sat in the back of a police cruiser following his arrest, he stated “at least three times” that he had acted in self-defense.

UPDATE: Daniel Paul Copple was convicted of two counts of murder and sentenced to two consecutive life sentences, as well as an additional 15 years for aggravated assault for hitting a pedestrian with his truck.

Source: “Man appeals murder convictions,” *wapt.com*, March 21, 2013; “Lucerne Valley Man charged in Mississippi Double Homicide,” *WCBI*, April 8, 2011; “Case against Elbow Room murder suspect headed to grand jury,” *Commercial Dispatch*, April 7, 2011.

Missouri

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Jericho Perry

UNINTENTIONAL

Date: March 31, 2018

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On March 31, 2018, Jermon Perry, seven, was shot and killed by his five-year-old brother with a gun he had found in his parents' bedroom dresser drawer while searching for candy. He carried the gun back to Jermon's bedroom where he shot his older brother who was sitting in a chair playing a video game. Jermon's twin brother was also in the room at the time of the shooting. The gun belonged to concealed handgun permit holder Jericho Perry, 39, Jermon's father. According to the mother's god-sister, the five-year-old probably did not know the difference between a real and toy gun. The shooting occurred as the boy's father had just gone out to help a relative. The god-sister added, "He never thought the kids would get to the gun. They were in a upstairs bedroom and their mother was in the kitchen cooking."

Source: "Family believes St. Louis boy was looking for candy when he found a gun – and killed his brother, 7," www.stltoday.com, April 2, 2018.

Missouri

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Daron Simpson

CONVICTED

Date: January 24, 2015

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On January 24, 2015, concealed handgun permit holder Daron Simpson, 34, allegedly shot and killed Andrew Clary, 36, after driving his vehicle through the garage door of Clary's home. According to court documents, after entering Clary's house through the garage, Simpson made his way to the bedroom where he allegedly shot and killed Clary and allegedly shot and wounded his ex-wife Amanda Simpson, 33, in the face. Amanda Simpson was being treated for serious facial injuries but was in stable condition and is expected to survive. Simpson turned himself in to police and was charged with second-degree murder. After the shooting, the Buchanan County Sheriff's Office filed a petition to revoke Simpson's concealed carry permit.

UPDATE: On September 12, 2016, Daron Simpson entered an Alford plea to charges of second-degree murder and first-degree assault. As part of the plea agreement, Simpson was sentenced to 25 years in prison on each charge.

Source: "Simpson pleads in fatal Faucett shooting," *St. Joseph News-Press*, September 12, 2016; "Sheriff files petition to revoke accused killer's concealed carry permit," *stjosephpost.com*, January 29, 2015; "One man charged with murder in Buchanan County killing," *kshb.com*, January 24, 2015.

Missouri

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Antawan T. Ross

CONVICTED

Date: June 5, 2012

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On June 5, 2012, concealed handgun permit holder Antawan T. Ross, 39, shot and killed Deshon Lernell Randolph, 37, before planting a knife near his body and claiming he was an intruder. According to trial testimony, Ross arrived at his ex-girlfriend's home to drop off their teenage son and daughter when he realized someone else was there. He saw his ex-girlfriend leave her bedroom in her underwear and said he wanted to meet the man. He went to his car and got a gun before returning to the bedroom and shooting Randolph in the head. Ross then planted a knife by Randolph's body and ordered his ex-girlfriend to take the children and leave. After waiting several minutes, he called 911 and claimed he shot an intruder. On October 23, 2014, Ross was convicted of second degree murder and armed criminal action. The jury recommended he serve 17 years for the murder and five years for the weapons conviction.

Source: "Man convicted of killing ex-girlfriend's new boyfriend in Pagedale," *St. Louis Post-Dispatch*, October 27, 2014.

Missouri

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Clinton Gallagher

SUICIDE

Date: December 2010

People Killed: 2

Circumstances: In December 2010, concealed handgun permit holder Clinton Gallagher, 35, shot and killed his six-year-old son Alex and then himself in a murder-suicide in his home. Court documents filed the prior week by Gallagher's wife revealed that she feared for her son's life as well as her own. According to new reports, in her filing she expressed concerns about a gun Gallagher owned and requested temporary custody of Alex. She wrote, 'I'm afraid he will use it on me at this time being that he is in a rage.' In 2009, Gallagher pleaded guilty to a misdemeanor domestic violence charge against his wife. As a result, he lost his concealed weapons permit. He then sued the Jackson County Sheriff's Office in 2010 to have his permit re-issued and won the case. Even though Gallagher's misdemeanor domestic violence conviction prohibited him from possessing firearms under federal law, Missouri law enforcement quoted in news articles stated that the misdemeanor conviction would not have prevented Gallagher from possessing a gun in his own home. Brandy Gaylord, who ran the child care facility that Alex Gallagher had attended for the past four years stated that "he will truly be missed by everyone...He was a joy to have. His smile would light up a room. His laughter would draw you close to that room."

Source: "Clinton Gallagher's wife feared for her life; Gallagher identified in Lone Jack killings," *Kansas City News*, December 16, 2010; "Court Documents Paint Picture in Lone Jack Killings," *KCTV5.com*, December 15, 2010; "Father, Son Deaths Ruled Murder-Suicide in Lone Jack," *www.fox4kc.com*, December 15, 2010.

Missouri

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Akbar Rana

PENDING—FLED THE COUNTRY

Date: September 3, 2010

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On September 3, 2010, concealed handgun permit holder Akbar Rana, 33, allegedly shot and killed Frederick Jones. According to investigators, Jones walked into the Shell station where Rana worked and got into an argument with the staff. Jones was forced outside by one of the clerks and a struggle ensued. Rana also stepped outside and used a stun gun on Jones. Jones then tried to punch Rana and was shot as he was running away. Jones was not armed. Rana was charged with voluntary manslaughter and armed criminal action. If convicted he could face a minimum of five years in jail on the manslaughter charge.

UPDATE: According to news reports, Rana has fled the country.

Source: "Akbar Rana, convenience store clerk, shot Frederick Jones Jr. in the back as he ran away, prosecutors say (updated)," *www.pitch.com*, October 29, 2010; "Store Clerk Charged In Man's Shooting Death," *msnbc.com*, October 27, 2010.

Missouri

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Johnnie Pulley

CONVICTED

Date: July 1, 2009

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: Concealed handgun permit holder Johnnie Pulley, 61, was convicted of shooting and killing 17-year-old Brandon Colenburg after Pulley mistook Colenburg for the person who had beaten him on a public transit bus in April 2009. Pulley was unarmed the day he was beaten, but had his 357 Magnum handgun the day he saw Colenburg months later on a transit bus. Convinced that Colenburg was his assailant, Pulley followed Colenburg as he transferred buses and then continued on foot. Pulley claimed that he shot Colenburg in self-defense after the teen lunged at him. However, two witnesses—a Jehovah's Witness who was knocking on doors and a mother dropping her child off at day care—said that Colenburg did not attack Pulley and that the youth had his arms at his side when he was shot. A jury rejected Pulley's self-defense claim and found him guilty of second-degree murder. The mother of one of Colenburg's friends testified that he had been at her home at the time of the original assault on Pulley.

Source: "Jury rejects self-defense claim in killing," *STLtoday.com*, May 27, 2010; "Nothing normal about this murder trial," *STLtoday.com*, May 26, 2010; "Defendant, 61, says killing of teen was justified," *STLtoday.com*, May 26, 2010.

Nebraska

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Roberto Carlos Silva Jr.

CONVICTED

Date: November 21, 2020

People Killed: 2

Circumstances: On November 21, 2020, concealed handgun permit holder Roberto Carlos Silva Jr., 23, allegedly shot and killed Ryan Helbert, 28, and Nathan Pastrana, 22, and wounded two others at a SONIC drive-in restaurant in Bellevue, Nebraska. Silva drove a U-Haul truck to the restaurant which he allegedly set on fire at the scene of the shooting. Three days prior to the shooting, Silva was arrested at the same restaurant for allegedly using someone else's SONIC app to buy \$57 worth of food. At the time of the arrest, officers seized three guns from Silva. Police said Silva was unarmed when he was arrested but that four guns were found at the restaurant. Silva was charged with two counts of first degree murder, two counts of attempted first degree murder, as well as arson and four gun charges.

UPDATE: In March 2022, Silve pleaded guilty to all charges related to the death of Ryan Helbert and Nathan Pastrana including two counts of first degree murder, two counts of attempted murder, and arson.

Source: "Man pleads guilty to shooting, killing 2 Sonic Drive-In employees in deadly restaurant attack," *wafb.com*, March 8, 2022; "Bond denied in fatal attack at Nebraska fast food restaurant," *outlookindia.com*, November 24, 2020.

Nebraska

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Jonathan Echtenaw

PENDING

Date: May 6, 2019

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On May 6, 2019, concealed handgun permit holder Jonathan Echtenaw, 25, allegedly shot and killed Ethan Edgar, 18, during a dispute over an allegedly stolen car. After a car that had been reported stolen was spotted in Council Bluffs, a group of friends including Echtenaw found the car and followed the driver in four or five cars. According to the Pottawattamie County attorney, one vehicle pulled in front of the car at a gas station to block it, while another pulled up behind it. The driver of the allegedly stolen car crashed into one of the other vehicles and shots were fired. Police allege that while his 23-year-old fiancée was at the wheel of the car, Echtenaw fired two shots that hit Edgar, who crashed a few blocks away and later died at the hospital. Prosecutors said they are not sure that Edgar was involved in the theft of the vehicle, noting that there was a different description of the person that stole the vehicle. Echtenaw and his fiancée were charged with involuntary manslaughter.

Source: "Two indicted in Iowa shooting death," *ketv.com*, September 29, 2019.

Nebraska

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Catessa Barnum

CONVICTED

Date: September 23, 2017

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On September 23, 2017, concealed handgun permit holder Catessa Barnum, 27, shot and killed Shadaisja Hill, 15, at a jitney stand, an underground cab service, in Omaha, Nebraska. Barnum and Shadaisja Hill's mother, Porcha Hill, both had children with the same father and the two women had been feuding for weeks. Porcha Hill along with a group of women "squared off" with Barnum at a convenience store where words were exchanged the afternoon prior to the shooting. At approximately 2:15 AM the next morning, Porcha and a group of women, two of whom were carrying aluminum baseball bats, emerged from an SUV and confronted Barnum. Barnum fired what she characterized as a warning shot to disperse the group, but the bullet stuck and killed Shadaisja Hill, who was still inside the SUV. Barnum's attorney argued that her client fired the shot in self-defense after being ambushed by the group of women. In February 2019, Barnum pleaded no contest to manslaughter. In exchange, prosecutors dropped a weapon use charge that could have added up to 50 years to her sentence. On April 23, 2019, Catessa Barnum was sentenced to five years of probation.

Sources: "Judge gives probation to Omaha woman who killed a 15-year-old after firing warning shot at romantic rival," *omaha.com*, April 23, 2019; "Omaha woman pleads to manslaughter in 'stupid,' 'avoidable' shooting," *omaha.com*, February 28, 2019.

Nebraska

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Carl Heng

CONVICTED

Date: August 24, 2015

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On August 24, 2015, concealed handgun permit holder Carl Heng, 25, allegedly shot and killed Robert Lane, 25, following an incident involving Lane's girlfriend. Lane's girlfriend worked with Heng, and according to prosecutors, she called him to her apartment because of an argument she was having with Lane. Words were exchanged between Heng and Lane and when Lane went to open the girlfriend's apartment door, Heng allegedly shot Lane twice. Lane later died at a hospital. Heng claims he acted in self defense. Heng was arrested and charged with second degree murder and use of a weapon to commit a felony.

UPDATE: On August 2, 2016, Carl Heng was found guilty of manslaughter and use of a firearm to commit a felony in the death of Robert Lane. On September 28, 2016, Heng was sentenced to seven to 12 years for manslaughter and seven to 10 years for use of the firearm. The sentences are to be served consecutively and under state sentencing guidelines Heng must be released after 13 and a half years.

Source: "Omaha man must serve at least 9 ½ years for fatal shooting," *Omaha World-Herald*, September 28, 2016; "Jury rejects claims of self-defense, finds Omaha man guilty of manslaughter in 2015 shooting death," *Omaha World-Herald*, August 3, 2016; "SW Omaha shooting suspect denied bond, claims self defense," *scrippsmedia.com*, August 27, 2015.

Nevada

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Martin Maycock

CONVICTED

Date: December 1, 2017

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On December 1, 2017, concealed handgun permit holder Martin Maycock, 60, allegedly shot and killed Jeffrey Paget, 25, during a burglary at the storage unit facility where Maycock worked. Maycock had been a manager at the facility for 17 years and was recently issued a concealed weapons permit because of thefts at the location. According to police, Paget was committing a burglary at the facility and loading items into a stolen van. As Paget fled in the van, Maycock allegedly fired a handgun at Paget. Maycock notified authorities after the shooting and helped render aid to the victim. Maycock was charged with one count of open murder.

UPDATE: In October 2018, Martin Maycock pleaded guilty to voluntary manslaughter in the death of Jeffrey Paget. Maycock was sentenced to a three-year suspended prison sentence with up to four years of probation. Community service hours and a curfew were added as conditions of his probation.

Source: "Las Vegas man sentenced to probation in deadly shooting of suspected burglar," *fox5vegas.com*, October 9, 2018; *State of Nevada vs Martin Maycock*, *docketalarm.com*; "Man who reported shooting after storage unit facility confrontation arrested," *news3lv.com*, December 3, 2017.

Nevada

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Michael Moreno

PENDING

Date: October 7, 2011

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On October 7, 2011, concealed handgun permit holder Michael Moreno, 37, allegedly shot and killed Damien Reed following a dispute about reckless driving. Moreno allegedly pulled up to a home at 804 Dike Lane where Reed and a friend were working on Reed's car. Witnesses reported that Reed and Moreno argued about Moreno's reckless driving, the argument escalated, and shots were fired. Witnesses told police that both men fired weapons. Moreno claimed that he was acting in self defense and did not fire first. When police searched Moreno's 2004 Chevrolet Tahoe, they found a .40 pistol and ammunition that matched shells found at the crime scene. Moreno was charged with felony counts of murder with a deadly weapon, discharging a firearm at or into a structure and discharging a firearm out of a motor vehicle.

Source: "Man charged in connection with deadly shooting," *Las Vegas Sun*, October 18, 2011.

Nevada

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Alex Kopystenski

CONVICTED

Date: July 20, 2009

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On July 20, 2009, concealed handgun permit holder Alex Kopystenski was going through a drive-in window at a Walgreens drug store when his five-year-old picked up a 9mm handgun from the vehicle's front console and fatally shot himself in the head. Alex Kopystenski pleaded guilty to a felony charge of child abuse and neglect with substantial bodily harm.

Source: "Sentencing delayed for father who admits guilt in boy's fatal shooting," *Las Vegas Sun*, August 10, 2011.

New York

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Darien Shellman

CONVICTED

Date: April 14, 2019

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On April 14, 2019, concealed handgun permit holder Darien Shellman, 24, allegedly shot and killed his girlfriend Sarah Tombs, 22, in the bedroom of their home as he was loading his Smith & Wesson M&P .45 handgun. In a statement to police, Shellman said he took the unloaded handgun from a safe and sat on the bed next to Tombs while he loaded an ammunition magazine into the handgun and “racked the slide.” Shellman told police that he “inadvertently disengaged” the gun’s safety and had his finger on the trigger when Tombs “abruptly grabbed” the gun. One round discharged and fatally struck Tombs in the head. Tombs’ four-year-old daughter was in the residence at the time of the shooting. Shellman was charged with reckless manslaughter.

UPDATE: In September 2021, Darrien Shellman pleaded guilty to criminally negligent homicide. Shellman faces a maximum sentence of five years probation.

Source: “Syracuse Navy vet avoids jail in shooting death of girlfriend, who was a Destiny USA guard,” *Syracuse.com*, September 15, 2021; “Navy vet killed girlfriend, a Destiny guard, with legal gun in Syracuse apartment,” *syracuse.com*, April 25, 2019.

New York

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Joseph Mlyniec

CONVICTED

Date: March 7, 2018

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On March 7, 2018, concealed handgun permit holder Joseph Mlyniec, 60, allegedly shot and killed Robert “Robbie” Irvine III, 32, in Mlyniec’s driveway. According to Irvine’s girlfriend, it was not unusual for Irvine to stop by Mlyniec’s home because he had belongings stored there and did odd jobs on the property. Mlyniec, who had no criminal record, was a retired sheriff’s department patrol sergeant. At the time of the shooting he was a member of the Perry Center Fire Department and served on the Perry Town Board. Mlyniec allegedly shot Irvine four times with a handgun, including once in the head. Mlyniec was charged with second degree murder and first degree intimidation of a witness or victim.

UPDATE: On October 11, 2018, Joseph Mlyniec pleaded guilty to second degree murder in the death of Robert Irvine III. On November 14, 2018, Mlyniec was sentenced to 15 years to life in prison.

Source: “Pain, anger visible as ex-Wyoming County deputy is sentenced for murder,” *Buffalo News*, November 14, 2018; “Former sheriff’s deputy pleads not guilty to killing Perry man,” *democratandchronicle.com*, October 11, 2018; “Grand jury indicts Mlyniec for murder,” *www.thedailynewsonline.com*, April 10, 2018; “Perry board member accused of murder was ‘friends’ with victim,” *wgrz.com*, March 8, 2018.

New York

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Andre Lewis

CONVICTED

Date: April 29, 2017

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On April 29, 2017, concealed handgun permit holder Andre Lewis, 41, shot and killed his ex-stepfather Robert Todd Echols, 54, following an altercation in the lobby of the Niagara Frontier Sports Complex after a game in a girls' basketball tournament. Echols' 13-year-old daughter had played in the game. Lewis claimed he acted in self defense after Echols attacked him and began punching him as Lewis held his baby daughter. Prosecutors argued the shooting was not justified, noting that Lewis initially shot Echols in the face and then shot him a second time in the back while he was on his hands and knees on the floor. Lewis was charged with second degree murder. Juries were unable to reach a verdict in two separate trials. Prosecutors said that both juries deadlocked because the victim "basically sucker-punched the defendant while the defendant was holding his 14-month-old daughter." Before a third trial could take place, Lewis pleaded guilty to first degree manslaughter and was sentenced to five years in prison followed by five years of post-release supervision.

Source: "No third trial in West Seneca homicide as Rochester man pleads to manslaughter," *Buffalo News*, April 8, 2019.

New York

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Patrick Sorrentino

SUICIDE

Date: November 21, 2015

People Killed: 2 (including shooter)

Circumstances: On November 21, 2015, concealed handgun permit holder Patrick Sorrentino, 55, shot and killed his ex-girlfriend Marie Giannone, outside her apartment before turning the gun on himself. Sorrentino, a retired police officer, waited outside Giannone's apartment building, and according to investigators surprised her and shot her several times with a semiautomatic handgun before she could react. When police responded to a 911 call, they found Giannone partially inside her car in the driveway, and then discovered Sorrentino's body approximately 30 feet away.

Source: "Police: Murder-suicide committed by retired cop," *recordonline.com*, November 21, 2015.

New York

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Arthur Mondella

SUICIDE

Date: February 24, 2015

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On February 24, 2015, concealed handgun permit holder Arthur Mondella, 57, shot and killed himself at his workplace in Brooklyn, New York. Mondella was the owner of Dell's Maraschino Cherries, one of the largest maraschino cherry suppliers in the country. The day law enforcement officials arrived, news reports say, Mondella grew nervous and went into the bathroom. With his sister standing outside the door, he shouted "take care of my kids" before turning his gun on himself. Police found marijuana and hundreds of thousands of dollars stashed in a fake wall. News reports say it was the largest marijuana operation police had ever seen in New York City.

Sources: "Maraschino Cherry Tycoon Shoots Himself After Police Discover His Factory Is Actually a Front for Growing Pot," *People*, February 25, 2015; "Secret Marijuana Farm Beneath Brooklyn Cherry Factory Leaves Many Mysteries," *The New York Times*, February 26, 2015.

New York

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** David Reese

CONVICTED

Date: February 3, 2014

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On February 3, 2014, concealed handgun permit holder David Reese, 55, shot and killed co-worker Aron Thomas, 33, at the offices of the New York City Department of Environmental Protection in Midtown Kingston. Reese had confronted Thomas that morning claiming that he had broken into his house and was stalking him. Reese stated that he hid his 45 caliber handgun behind his thigh because he didn't want Thomas, who was also sometimes armed, to know that he was carrying a weapon. Reese claimed that he punched Thomas in the face and that in the ensuing struggle, his gun unintentionally fired twice, one shot firing into the air, the other striking Thomas and killing him. During his trial, Thomas acknowledged that he knew gun safety rules and how to properly handle firearms from his time in the Navy and as part of the training required for his pistol permit. In June 2015, Reese was convicted of second degree murder.

Source: "David Reese convicted of murder in shooting death of co-worker Aron Thomas," *Daily Freeman*, June 2, 2015; "Murder suspect David Reese testifies gun went off accidentally during struggle with Aron Thomas," *Daily Freeman*, June 1, 2015.

New York

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Shawn Bryan

SUICIDE

Date: June 4, 2012

People Killed: 2

Law Enforcement Officers Killed: 2

Circumstances: On June 4, 2012, New York City Department of Correction Officer and concealed handgun permit holder Shawn Bryan, 34, shot and killed Springfield, MA, Police Officer Kevin Ambrose, 56, and shot and critically wounded his ex-girlfriend Charlene Mitchell, 29. Bryan and Mitchell's one-year-old daughter was in the apartment at the time of the shooting but was unhurt. Mitchell had gone to court that day to take out an order of protection saying that Bryan was physically abusive towards her, describing him as mentally unstable and domineering, writing, "He is a demon." Bryan had sent Mitchell multiple text messages including one that said, "I'm going to make you wish you were not born." On the afternoon of June 4th, Mitchell called police to say Bryan was on the way to see her and that she feared for her life. Officer Ambrose arrived on the scene and found Mitchell and Bryan outside. The three of them then made their way to Mitchell's third floor apartment. As they were entering, Bryan pushed Mitchell inside the apartment and followed, shutting the door and leaving Officer Ambrose outside. Bryan fired at Ambrose through the door with his 9mm pistol then opened the door and fired at him again. Bryan then turned the gun on Mitchell and shot her in the head before running back to his car where he shot himself in the chest. Bryan and Ambrose died from their wounds while Mitchell was in critical condition following surgery.

Source: "New York correction officer kills Mass. cop, shoots ex and kills himself," *New York Daily News*, June 4, 2012.

New York

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Michael Boccardi

SUICIDE

Date: November 16, 2011

People Killed: 2

Circumstances: On November 16, 2011, concealed handgun permit holder Michael Boccardi, 47, shot and killed Michael Purdy, 56, as Purdy returned home with Boccardi's estranged wife MaryAnn Boccardi. Boccardi, who was laying in wait at Purdy's home, fired several shots at Purdy with his Glock .40 pistol as he was exiting the Mercury Sable that belonged to Boccardi's wife. Purdy was struck once in the head and collapsed. Boccardi then jumped into the car and told his wife to drive. She tried to talk to her husband, who then shot himself in the head. The two men were described as "close friends" and each family had four children.

Source: "Friends' murder-suicide shootings stun Mahopac," *LoHud.com*, November 17, 2011.

New York

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Jiverly Wong

SUICIDE

Date: April 3, 2009

People Killed: 14 (including shooter)

Circumstances: On April 3, 2009, concealed handgun permit holder Jiverly Wong, 41, walked into the American Civic Association in Binghamton, NY, where he had recently taken an English class, and opened fire, killing 13 former classmates before killing himself. Wong fired 98 shots in approximately one minute from his two pistols, a 9mm and a 45 caliber. Just before the shooting, Wong sent a letter to a Syracuse TV station saying that the police were spying on him, sneaking into his home, and attempting to get into car crashers with him. Wong was granted a concealed carry permit in Broome County, NY in 1997 which was still valid at the time of the shooting as permits issued there, unlike in other parts of the state of New York, do not have to be renewed.

Source: "Wong raised concerns with police in 1990s," *USA Today*, April 19, 2009; "Binghamton Killer Kept His Fury Private," *New York Times*, April 11, 2009; "Licensed to kill? Gunmen in killings had permits," *Associated Press*, April 7, 2009.

New York

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Frank Garcia

CONVICTED

Date: February 14, 2009

People Killed: 4

People Wounded: 1

Circumstances: On February 14, 2009, Frank Garcia allegedly opened fire with a .40 Glock pistol in the Lakeside Memorial Hospital parking lot in Brockport, NY. He had recently been fired by the hospital. He shot three people there, killing two, before killing a married couple at their home in Canandaigua. Garcia had been denied a permit to carry a pistol three times in the previous 15 years due to previous arrests for assault, harassment, and criminal possession of a weapon, before a judge granted him the ability to carry a concealed weapon in 2007. Garcia faced four charges of murder, and one charge of attempted murder. He was convicted and received a life sentence without possibility of parole for two of the murders, and is awaiting trial on two additional charges of murder and one charge of attempted murder.

UPDATE: In March 2017, an appellate court vacated one of the life sentences that Frank Garcia was serving after fatally shooting four people and wounding one other in 2009. In June 2017, Garcia was sentenced to 25 years to life in prison for attempted first degree murder. This sentence is in addition to the four life sentences Garcia is serving, one for each slain victim.

Source: "Convicted killer Frank Garica gets maximum in re-sentencing from 2009 killing spree," *democratandchronicle.com*, June 2, 2017; Garcia evidence allowed by judge," *Rochester Democrat and Chronicle*, October 31, 2009; "After 3rd try, gun permit OK'd," *Rochester Democrat and Chronicle*, February 19, 2009; "Damelio will represent Garcia in Monroe Trial," *Rochester Democrat and Chronicle*, July 1, 2009; "Killer gets life for Valentine's Day rampage in NY," *Associated Press*, September 1, 2009

North Carolina

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Robert Anthony Granato

CONVICTED

Date: August 6, 2019

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On August 6, 2019, concealed handgun permit holder Robert Anthony Granato, 23, allegedly shot and killed Julius Randolph Sampson Jr. following an argument outside BJ's Restaurant and Brewhouse. Granato was carrying two guns, a 9mm handgun and a .22 Derringer when he and a friend arrived at BJ's for lunch. Granato stored the 9mm pistol in his glove compartment before entering the restaurant but was still carrying the Derringer. According to prosecutors, Granato had several drinks with his lunch. Granato complained that his drinks did not have enough alcohol, and referred to female staffers at the restaurant using misogynistic language. Managers asked Granato to leave, and Sampson and his friend left around the same time. Outside the restaurant an argument ensued, with prosecutors alleging that Granato was lying in wait for Sampson, hiding his Derringer behind his back. Granato claims that he acted in self defense and claims that Sampson said, "You ain't never messed with a N-word like me before." When Granato repeated the phrase back to him, including the N-word, he claims this enraged Sampson who attacked him. Granato allegedly shot Sampson during the altercation, and Sampson died of a gunshot wound to the chest. According to prosecutors, Granato was involved in two prior incidents where he brandished a handgun, but was not charged in either incident. Prosecutors argue that Granato was not acting in self defense, but "unlawfully, willingly and feloniously did of malice aforethought kill and murder Julius Randolph Simpson Jr." On July 6, 2020, Granato was indicted on charges of first-degree murder and carrying a concealed gun after or while consuming alcohol. If convicted of first degree murder, Granato faces the death penalty or life in prison without the possibility of parole.

UPDATE: In July 2024, Granato was found guilty of second degree murder and carrying a concealed weapon after consuming alcohol, and was sentenced to 16 to 20 years in prison.

Source: "Forsyth County man found guilty of 2019 BJ's Brewhouse murder," *wfmynews2.com*, July 29, 2024; "Shooter indicted on murder charge in death of Julius Sampson Jr.," *journalnow.com*, July 8, 2020.

North Carolina

■ Concealed Handgun Permit Holder: Bob Owens

SUICIDE

Date: May 8, 2017

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On May 8, 2017, concealed handgun permit holder Bob Owens, 46, was found dead near a stop sign outside his subdivision in Fuquay-Varina, North Carolina suffering from a self-inflicted gunshot wound. Shortly before his death, Owens posted a message on Facebook saying, “In the end, it turns out that I’m not strong. I’m a coward, and a selfish son of a b----. I’m sorry.” Owens was the editor of the pro-gun blog *BearingArms.com*, and had been writing about gun rights and firearms since 2007. Owens was also a certified firearms instructor with roughly 400 hours of professional training classes according a biography on *BearingArms.com*. According to a tweet from Owens on his Twitter account, he renewed his concealed carry permit in December 2012 and it would have been valid for five years.

Sources: “Bearing Arms editor Bob Owens dead from apparent self-inflicted gunshot wound,” *Washington Post*, May 9, 2017; post by Bob Owens (@bob_owens), *twitter.com*, 1:18 PM December 28, 2012; North Carolina G.S. Section 14-415.11(b).

North Carolina

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Tonesha Tonyae Collins

INCOMPETENT TO STAND TRIAL

Date: May 30, 2016

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On May 30, 2016, concealed handgun permit holder Tonesha Tonyae Collins, 38, allegedly shot and killed J. Won Kim at the Citgo gas station where Kim was the manager. Kim died from his wounds on July 17, 2016, but told officers that the woman who shot him had been following and stalking him. In 2017 Collins was found mentally incompetent to stand trial, diagnosed with paranoid schizophrenia. According to a psychologist who examined Collins, she “has a delusional belief that a shadowy organization bigger than the U.S. government is responsible for sexually abusing her children and children around the world” and that Kim was part of the organization. Collins had not been diagnosed prior to the shooting and was able to obtain a concealed gun permit. In 2021 a judge dismissed the first degree murder charge against Collins and determined that she would not regain the mental capacity to stand trial. Collins was involuntarily committed to the Central Regional Hospital where she had been for the previous four years.

Source: “Winston-Salem woman accused of fatally shooting gas station manager in 2016 found mentally incompetent. Murder charge dismissed.,” *journalnow.com*, July 6, 2021.

North Carolina

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Kendall Rachard Thompson

PENDING

Date: February 23, 2016

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On February 23, 2016, concealed handgun permit holder Kendall Rachard Thompson, 22, allegedly shot and killed Mohammad Waseem, 38. Thompson called 911 from his home, claiming that he was attacked by Waseem, his ex-girlfriend's uncle. According to Thompson's attorney, Thompson's ex-girlfriend and her aunt and uncle came to his residence to pick up a necklace. That somehow escalated to a shooting. Waseem was pronounced dead at the scene from a gunshot wound. Thompson was arrested and charged with second degree murder.

Source: "More details emerge in High Point homicide," *myfox8.com*, February 24, 2016.

North Carolina

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Marvin Lee

CONVICTED

Date: January 22, 2016

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On January 22, 2016, concealed handgun permit holder Marvin Lee, 27, shot and killed Jefferson Heavner, 26, following a car accident during a winter storm. According to Sheriff Coy Reid, Lee may have been impaired when his car slid off an icy road during the storm. Heavner and two other men stopped to help. According to authorities, Lee reacted violently when someone attempted to take his car keys. Lee then shot Heavner multiple times with a handgun while standing over him. Lee was arrested by SWAT team officers who found him unconscious in his car. Lee woke up during the arrest and allegedly resisted officers. Lee's permit to carry a concealed weapon was issued on May 18, 2012 and expires on May 16, 2017. Lee was charged with murder and attempted murder.

UPDATE: On January 24, 2018, Marvin Lee pleaded guilty to second degree murder and two counts of discharging a firearm into an occupied vehicle. Lee was sentenced to 11 to 13 and a half years in prison on the second degree murder charge and four to six years for the two counts of discharging a firearm into an occupied vehicle.

Source: "Claremont man pleads guilty to 2016 murder, victim's family gains closure," *hickoryrecord.com*, January 25, 2018; "Man accused in Good Samaritan death passed test to carry concealed gun," *Charlotte Observer*, January 30, 2016.

North Carolina

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Craig Stephen Hicks

CONVICTED

Date: February 10, 2015

People Killed: 3

Circumstances: On February 10, 2015, concealed handgun permit holder Craig Stephen Hicks, 46, allegedly shot and killed Deah Shaddy Barakat, 23, Barakat's wife, Yusor Mohammad Abu-Salha, 21, and her sister Razan Mohammad Abu-Salha, 19. All three victims were found dead from gunshot wounds to the head in the Finley Forest Condominium complex where Barakat and his wife lived. Hicks also lived in the same complex. According to Hicks's wife, the shooting may have resulted over an ongoing feud over parking at the condominium complex. She said that Hicks came home Tuesday night and became upset that a car belonging to one of the victims was parked in his parking place. The incident is also being investigated as a possible hate crime because the victims were Muslim. According to an attorney for Hicks's wife, Hicks was a "champion" of "Second Amendment rights." Hicks turned himself in to authorities and was charged with three counts of first-degree murder.

UPDATE: On June 12, 2019, Craig Hicks pleaded guilty to three counts of first degree murder, as well as a charge of shooting into an occupied dwelling. He was sentenced to three consecutive counts of life in prison without parole on the murder charges, plus 64-89 months in prison on the charge of shooting into an occupied dwelling.

Source: "BREAKING: Craig Hicks pleads guilty to murder of three Muslim students," *dailytarheel.com*, June 12, 2019; "Wife of alleged NC killer: He 'believed everyone was equal'," *cbsnews.com*, February 11, 2015; "Wife of triple-shooting suspect said crime not motivated by bias," *wral.com*, February 11, 2015; "Three Muslims killed in shooting near UNC; police, family argue over motive," *Washington Post*, February 11, 2015.

North Carolina

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Richard Albert Nielsen

SUICIDE

Date: February 6, 2015

People Killed: 2 (including shooter)

Circumstances: On February 6, 2015, concealed handgun permit holder Richard Albert Nielsen, 62, shot and killed Russell Allen Mitchell, 38, and wounded Jessica Lynn Modolo, 29, with a Ruger .380 pistol before turning the handgun on himself. According to the District Attorney, Nielsen, Mitchell, and Modolo were in a business relationship that had turned sour. Nielsen approached Mitchell at a gas station at the Monkey Junction Walmart and called him by name. When Mitchell turned around Nielsen shot him once in the head at point blank range. Nielsen then shot Modolo in the head and abdomen as she sat in her car at the gas pump. Modolo's six-year-old son, and Mitchell's nine- and seven-year-old daughters were also in the car. Modolo, who was four months pregnant at the time of the shooting was in critical condition but her unborn child died. Nielsen purchased the pistol less than an hour before the shooting.

Source: "Legal weapon, tragic outcome," *starnewsonline.com*, February 10, 2015; "Murder-suicide stemmed from business dispute; unborn child dies," *starnewsonline.com*, February 7, 2015.

North Carolina

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Unknown

UNINTENTIONAL

Date: November 14, 2014

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On November 14, 2014, Randall Vater, 43, unintentionally shot and killed Nathan Andrew Clark, 13, at the Comfort Suites in Raleigh, North Carolina. Clark was lying in bed in a hotel room where his parents and a friend were staying for a soccer tournament, when a bullet from the adjacent room penetrated the wall, hitting Clark in the head. Vater, who has a lengthy criminal record including felony convictions, and a female friend were checked into the room next door. Vater's friend had a concealed handgun permit for the Springfield Armory XD 9mm pistol that she had placed on the bedside table. When Vater picked up the pistol he unintentionally fired the gun. Vater pleaded guilty to involuntary manslaughter and was sentenced to at least 11 years and five months in prison.

Sources: "Guilty plea in shooting death of teen soccer player in Raleigh hotel room," *News Observer*, June 27, 2016.

North Carolina

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Eric Sinatra Gilbert

CONVICTED

Date: December 4, 2010

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On December 4, 2010, concealed handgun permit holder Eric Sinatra Gilbert, 24, shot and killed Derek A-Shaheed Brathwaite in the parking lot of the Fuzion nightclub. According to news reports, Brathwaite shot Gilbert's friend Ernest Wright. Brathwaite then aimed his 45 caliber pistol at Gilbert, who shot and killed Brathwaite with a 40 caliber Glock pistol. According to a witness, Gilbert repeatedly kicked Brathwaite in the head, stating, "You got whupped. You had it coming for shooting my little brother in the face." Wright survived the gunshot wound from the round fired by Brathwaite. In September 2012, Gilbert pleaded guilty to involuntary manslaughter as part of a plea deal and was sentenced to 16 to 20 months, serving five months with credit for time served prior to sentencing. He was also required to serve 12 months of supervised probation followed by 36 months of unsupervised probation. Gilbert was also required to speak to youth groups about the dangers of guns and alcohol and pay for Brathwaite's funeral expenses of \$7,930. Remarking on the case, and a similar one that, as a press report noted "mirrored Gilbert's case in its mix of guns, alcohol, and testosterone," Judge Wayland Sermons stated, "Something must be done by our community leaders to get these guns off the street and out of the hands of our young."

Source: "Nightclub shooter pleads to lesser charge," *The Daily Reflector*, September 18, 2012.

North Carolina

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Gale Lynn Frye

INCOMPETENT TO STAND TRIAL

Date: February 12, 2010

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On February 12, 2010, concealed handgun permit holder Gale Lynn Frye, 67, called 911 and asked for help for his wife. When police arrived they found Bertha Frye, 76, in the bedroom dead from a single gunshot wound to the head from a 22 caliber rifle. Frye was arrested and charged with killing his wife. In November 2011, a Superior Court judge ruled that Frye, with an IQ of 73 and dementia, was incompetent to stand trial. The judge ordered Frye “to be remanded to appropriate treatment and care and—if found competent at a later date—to be...tried for the murder.” In a separate order, the judge directed the sheriff to seize and hold all of Frye’s firearms and revoke his concealed handgun permit. During the hearing, a forensic psychologist who spoke as an expert witness for the defense stated that Frye did not want to be found incompetent, because he was concerned about losing his right to bear arms, stating, “When talking to me, he was actually concerned with the right to keep his guns and keep his home to the exclusion of his case.”

Source: “Man Found Incompetent in Wife’s Death,” *The Pilot*, November 6, 2011; “Husband Held in Murder,” *The Pilot*, February 14, 2010.

North Carolina

Concealed Handgun Permit Holder: Lionel Loya

CONVICTED

Date: December 5, 2009

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On December 5, 2009, friends Lionel Loya and Jonathan Clinton Rodriguez got into an argument while watching a broadcast of the Texas-Nebraska college football game. Loya was disappointed that his favorite team, the Florida Gators, had lost earlier in the day to the Alabama Crimson Tide—dropping the Gators out of contention for the BCS national championship game. A scuffle broke out between the two after the Texas Longhorns secured a spot in the BCS championship game at the Rose Bowl by beating the Nebraska Cornhuskers with a last-minute field goal. During the roughhousing, Loya produced a handgun, which discharged, killing Rodriguez. Loya had a concealed handgun permit. Both men were Marine corporals. Loya was turned over to military authorities and charged with involuntary manslaughter. Loya pleaded guilty to involuntary manslaughter and was sentenced to 13 to 16 months in prison.

Source: “Shooter gets 13 months for friend's death,” *New Bern Sun-Journal*, January 26, 2010; “Texas-Neb. game sparks shooting,” *Omaha World-Herald*, December 8, 2009.

North Carolina

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** William Maxwell

SUICIDE

Date: November 2, 2009

People Killed: 4 (including shooter)

Circumstances: On November 2, 2009, William Maxwell shot and killed his wife Kathryn and their teenage children Conner and Cameron before killing himself. Neighbors could not say what drove a local businessman and basketball coach at the religious school where his teenagers attended classes to murder his family. Friends described the Maxwells as active churchgoers and good neighbors. Earlier on the day of the shooting, friends and relatives had gathered at the family's home to "see if they could lift the normally happy dad from his funk." Maxwell obtained a concealed handgun permit in January 2008.

Source: "Friends tried to help NC man who killed family," *The Associated Press*, November 5, 2009; "Police: NC father killed wife, 2 children, self," *The Associated Press*, November 3, 2009.

North Carolina

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** William Littleton

CONVICTED

Date: December 15, 2008

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On December 15, 2008, William Littleton allegedly killed his neighbor, 72-year-old Luther Kaemming, shooting him three times in the chest with a rifle. Kaemming was a prosecuting witness in a court case against Littleton on charges that Littleton had obstructed drainage ditches in front of his property causing water to back up into neighbors' yards. Littleton, who was issued a concealed handgun permit in 1998, was charged with murder.

UPDATE: In October 2010, William Littleton was found guilty of first degree murder. According to the Chief District Attorney, the way Littleton treated Kaemming's body after the murder proved he acted with malice: "He went over there and grabbed his body, grabbed the victim's body Mr. Kaemming's body, threw it in the mud....And then said, 'Now 'eff' with me you 'S-O-B'.'" Littleton faces a life sentence without the possibility of parole.

Source: "Deadly drainage ditch trial: GUILTY," *WCTI12.com*, October, 2010; "Sheriff's Dept.: Man accused of murder had previously threatened neighbor," *The Daily News* (Jacksonville, NC), December 16, 2008; "Mistrial preceded neighbors fatal dispute," *The Daily News* (Jacksonville, NC), January 14, 2009.

North Carolina

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Bobby Ray Bordeaux Jr.

CONVICTED

Date: August 31, 2008

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On August 31, 2008, Bobby Ray Bordeaux Jr. shot and killed Clifton Jackson and wounded John Warlick with a .22 pistol during an altercation at the Hogs Pen Pub. Bordeaux was at the bar to celebrate the birthdays of his younger brothers. As the brothers were leaving the bar, Eddie Bordeaux exchanged words with Jackson and “took a swing” at him. Jackson then knocked Eddie Bordeaux to the ground. Bobby Ray Bordeaux Jr. then shot Jackson in the back of the head. Because of his alcohol use, Bobby Ray Bordeaux Jr. said he could only remember pieces of that day and night. He said he remembered driving his brother’s dirt bike to the bar and collecting change for a game of pool, but the next thing he remembered was being handcuffed, presented before the magistrate, and charges being read against him. Bordeaux, who had a concealed handgun permit, was found guilty in September 2009 of assault with a deadly weapon inflicting serious injury in the shooting of Warlick. The trial on the first-degree murder charge ended with a deadlocked jury. A retrial on the murder charge in December 2009 ended with a conviction for first degree murder, and Bordeaux was sentenced to life in prison.

Source: “Jury convicts Bordeaux of first-degree murder,” Rocky Mount Telegram, December 10, 2009; “Bordeaux jury knotted; retrial Dec. 7,” *The Daily Southerner*, September 25, 2009; “Defendant doesn’t remember shooting,” *The Daily Southerner*, September 23, 2009.

North Carolina

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** John K. Gallaher III

CONVICTED

Date: July 15, 2008

People Killed: 2

Circumstances: At approximately midnight on July 15, 2008, John K. Gallaher III called 911 to report that he had shot and killed his friends Lori Fioravanti and Sean Gallagher. Although the motive for the shooting was unknown, friends speculated that heavy drinking and a dispute over a boating mishap may have led to the shootings. Gallaher, who had a concealed handgun permit, was charged with murder.

UPDATE: On October 25, 2010, Gallaher pleaded guilty to two counts of first-degree murder, and was sentenced to two consecutive terms of life in prison without the possibility of parole. Prosecutors had planned to pursue the death penalty against Gallaher, but the victims' families urged prosecutors to accept a plea agreement as they did not want to endure a trial.

Source: "Gallaher pleads guilty," *Winston-Salem Journal*, October 26, 2010; "How Does a Family Beset by Tragedy Face Yet Another?," *Winston-Salem Journal*, August 3, 2008; "Reason for shooting deaths still unclear," *Winston-Salem Journal*, July 17, 2008.

North Carolina

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Jamez Mellion

CONVICTED

Date: August 21, 2007

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On August 21, 2007, concealed handgun permit holder Jamez Mellion, 24, shot and killed Major Paul Burton Miner III, a 12-year military veteran who had served in Iraq and Afghanistan. According to news reports, Mellion entered the home he and his wife once shared early in the morning and found Miner and Mellion's estranged wife, Adrianna Mellion (who lived in the home with her five-year-old son) in bed together. Mellion shot Miner 10 times with two handguns in the head, stomach, and pelvis, killing him. Mellion turned himself into police an hour after the shooting and was charged with first-degree murder. In May 2010 he pleaded guilty to second-degree murder and faces up to 15 years and nine months in prison.

Source: "More Concealed Guns and Some Are in the Wrong Hands," *New York Times*, December 26, 2011; "Man pleads guilty to killing romantic rival," *wral.com*, May 6, 2010, "No answers yet why Army officer from Vero Beach killed in home of woman," *tcpalm.com*, September 1, 2007.

North Dakota

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Lance Rick

SUICIDE

Date: May 30, 2015

People Killed: 2 (including shooter)

Circumstances: On May 30, 2015, concealed handgun permit holder Lance Rick, 44, shot and killed his wife Sharon Connell-Rick, 44, with a handgun in the basement of the couple's home before turning the gun on himself. Connell-Rick had filed for divorce in March 2015 and Lance Rick had moved to Washington where he was living with another woman. Rick, an "avid gun collector," was expected to meet his wife at their home around 5pm to return some items to her. Instead, he showed up two hours early, armed with a gun he had brought with him on his flight from Washington to Fargo. According to police, Rick shot his wife once in the body and once in the head before shooting himself in the head. Rick had permits to carry a weapon issued from both North Dakota and Utah.

Source: "New details emerge about West Fargo murder-suicide," *West Fargo Pioneer*, October 14, 2015.

Ohio

■ **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Randy Lee Spurlock, Jr.

CONVICTED

Date: July 4, 2022

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On July 4, 2022, concealed handgun permit holder Randy Lee Spurlock, Jr., 30, shot and killed his next-door neighbor Scott Gallagher, 58 during an altercation outside Spurlock's Toledo home. According to Spurlock's attorney, Gallagher shouted profanities toward Spurlock regarding his support for Donald Trump, punched Spurlock in the face and began walking up the steps of Spurlock's porch. Spurlock drew his gun and Gallagher tried to take it from him. Spurlock then went down the steps of the porch and Gallagher pursued him and punched him in the ear. Spurlock fired a single shot, striking Gallagher in the chest. In November 2022, Spurlock was charged with murder and felonious assault. Spurlock claimed he acted in self defense, but in May 2023 he pleaded guilty to voluntary manslaughter to avoid going to trial for murder. The judge in the case stated, "Sometimes guns unnecessarily escalate situations, and this court believes this is one of those situations. This argument should have ended with a couple of black eyes, not loss of life." Spurlock was sentenced to three to four and a half years in prison with credit of 175 days for time served.

Sources: "Man who shot aggressive neighbor pleads out to voluntary manslaughter," *toledoblade.com*, May 15, 2023.

Ohio

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Zechariah Gauer

CONVICTED

Date: November 27, 2020

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On November 27, 2020, concealed handgun permit holder Zechariah Gauer, 21, allegedly shot and killed Christopher Fuelling, 28, following a road rage incident that ended outside Fuelling's home. According to prosecutors, Gauer and Fuelling were involved in a 15-minute car chase on a nearby highway. After the chase ended outside Fuelling's home, prosecutors said a surveillance camera recorded five shots allegedly fired by Gauer from inside his vehicle which struck the unarmed Fuelling in the back. Gauer claims that he acted in self defense. According to prosecutors, Gauer had obtained his concealed carry permit in October 2020. The gun allegedly used in the incident had a 30-round magazine and another 15-round magazine was located in the vehicle glove compartment. Prosecutors said that a magnetic holster was mounted underneath the steering wheel, keeping the gun "ready at all times." The prosecutor stated, "From the state's perspective, this looks like a gentleman who got a gun and was eager to use it." Gauer was charged with murder and second degree felonious assault, both with three-year gun specifications.

UPDATE: In December 2021, Zechariah Gauer pleaded no contest to voluntary manslaughter in the death of Christopher Fuelling. In January 2022, Gauer was sentenced to an "indefinite maximum" of six years in prison, with four years as a minimum. Gauer will also be subject to between two and five years of post-release control, and will be forbidden for life to obtain or possess a firearm or ammunition.

Source: "Road-rage gunman sentenced to 4-6 years in state prison after no-contest plea," *The Toledo Blade*, January 29, 2022; "Defense seeks bond reduction for suspect in Sylvania Township homicide," *toledoblade.com*, December 16, 2020; "Man dead after shooting on McCord Rd.; suspect in custody," *wtol.com*, November 27, 2020.

Ohio

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Savon Frost

CONVICTED

Date: July 8, 2019

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On July 8, 2019, concealed handgun permit holder Savon Frost, 25, shot and killed James Bishop, 29, following a fight at an apartment. Frost's girlfriend, Cheronda Bishop, had been arguing throughout the day with her brother James. Frost claimed that when the argument became physical he pulled his gun and fired a warning shot. Frost said Bishop then charged at him and Frost fired two shots, killing Bishop. Frost admitted that he and Cheronda Bishop fled the scene and that he discarded his gun behind a nearby residence. In July 2020, Frost pleaded guilty to voluntary manslaughter, tampering with evidence, and gun specifications. On August 20, 2020, Frost was sentenced to 15 years in prison.

Source: "East Side man gets 15 years in shooting death of girlfriend's brother," *The Columbus Dispatch*, August 20, 2020.

Ohio

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Shannon Ingol

CONVICTED

Date: June 19, 2019

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On June 19, 2019, concealed handgun permit holder Shannon Ingol, 22, shot and killed his father Shannon Callahan, 41, in the driveway of the family's home. Prior to the shooting, Ingol was having delusions that his father was involved with his girlfriend. Ingol was charged with murder with a gun specification. He initially pleaded not guilty by reason of insanity, but two mental health evaluations deemed him competent and sane. On March 4, 2020, Ingol pleaded guilty to murder with a gun specification and was sentenced to life in prison with possible parole after 16 years.

Sources: "Barberton man, 22, sentenced to life in prison for fatal shooting of his father," *beaconjournal.com*, March 4, 2020.

Ohio

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Tavist D. Chester

CONVICTED

Date: May 12, 2019

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On May 12, 2019, concealed handgun permit holder Tavist D. Chester, 25, shot and killed Nigel G. Jackson, 22, outside the R Bar & Grill, following a fight inside the bar. Chester said that he had only been inside the bar for a few minutes when someone hit him in the back of the head. A fight ensued and Chester was pulled outside the bar. Chester retrieved his .40 pistol from where he had hidden it on top of one of his truck's tires and then walked back toward the bar. Chester fired several shots from his pistol, claiming that a man named Antonio Wallace was pointing a gun at him. Chester and Wallace had a history of prior altercations. Jackson was fatally struck by three .40 bullets. Chester was charged with aggravated murder, murder, and three counts of felonious assault. On January 13, 2020, Chester was convicted of murder in the death of Nigel Jackson. On January 17, 2020, Chester was sentenced to 23 to 24 years to life in prison.

Source: "Canton man sentenced in fatal shooting outside R Bar," *indeonline.com*, January 17, 2020; "Canton man convicted of murder for R Bar & Grill shooting," *cantonrep.com*, January 13, 2020; "Accused gunman in fatal R Bar & Grill shooting testifies," *cantonrep.com*, January 9, 2020..

Ohio

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Jordan Skoog

CONVICTED

Date: March 20, 2019

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On March 20, 2019, concealed handgun permit holder Jordan Skoog, 30, shot and killed Austin Smiley, 19. Skoog, Smiley, and Tyler Hamilton, friends and co-workers at Mid-Ohio Pipeline, were drinking together that night when Skoog shot Smiley in the forehead. According to the prosecutor, Skoog “violated every safety rule he had ever been taught” when he pointed the gun at Smiley not knowing that it was loaded. On March 1, 2021, Jordan Skoog was found guilty of involuntary manslaughter and reckless homicide in the death of Austin Smiley. On March 2, 2021, Skoog was sentenced to six years in prison and ordered to pay \$13,000 in restitution to Smiley’s family

Source: “Fredericktown man sentenced to six years in shooting death,” *wmfd.com*, March 2, 2021; “Jordan Skoog verdict: Guilty as charged on 3 counts,” *mansfieldnewsjournal.com*, March 1, 2021; “Murder charge off the table in case of fatal shooting of former Hillsdale student,” *The Daily Record*, March 10, 2020.

Ohio

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Kyle Rice

CONVICTED

Date: February 9, 2019

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On February 9, 2019, concealed handgun permit holder Kyle Rice, 29, allegedly shot and killed Danekua Bankston, 28, at Bankston's apartment in Youngstown, Ohio.

Prosecutors say Rice shot Bankston several times in front of their children because of an argument. Bankston died a few days later in St. Elizabeth Youngstown Hospital. After allegedly shooting Bankston, Rice fled the home but left his phone next to her, placing him at the scene. Rice was charged with murder.

UPDATE: On July 21, 2021 Kyle Rice was found guilty of aggravated murder and murder in the death of Danekua Bankston.

Source: "I was scared for my life": Accused murderer found guilty after he says he shot girlfriend in self-defense," *wkbn.com*, July 21, 2021; "Judge denies bail modification in murder case," *vindy.com*, June 19, 2019.

Ohio

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Ryan Daniels, Sr.

CONVICTED

Date: February 2019

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: In February 2019, concealed handgun permit holder Ryan Daniels, Sr., 29, shot and killed Britney Mazanec outside the Hideaway Lounge. Daniels testified at trial that he did not think his gun was loaded when he tapped it twice on the passenger window of Mazanec's car. The gun went off and Mazanec was shot and killed. At sentencing the judge in the case stated, "You shot an innocent young lady and left her in her car to die. You wanted this court and the jury to believe it was an accident yet your actions demonstrate otherwise." The prosecutor explained, "This case clearly warranted the maximum sentence. It's a shame we could not charge this defendant with a more serious offense. This was a defendant who obviously knew better, he had been trained with a carry concealed permit." In February 2020, Daniels was convicted of reckless homicide and involuntary manslaughter and sentenced to six years in prison.

Sources: "Man convicted of shooting woman outside Niles bar gets maximum sentence," *wkbn.com*, February 26, 2020.

Ohio

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Travis E. Burdette

CONVICTED

Date: January 24, 2019

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On January 24, 2019, concealed handgun permit holder Travis E. Burdette, 29, allegedly shot and killed Jerome Noble, 32, outside a Circle K convenience store in Ashtabula, Ohio. Burdette and Noble had engaged in a verbal argument while inside the store that continued outside where Noble was shot several times in the chest and neck. Burdette, who had a concealed carry permit, turned himself in to the Ashtabula Police Department. Travis Burdette was charged with involuntary manslaughter, felonious assault, improperly handling firearms in a motor vehicle, aggravated menacing, and disorderly conduct. Travis Burdette's brother, Dakota Burdette, and Christopher Alston, who accompanied Noble to the store, were also arrested and charged in relation to the shooting.

UPDATE: In November 2020, Travis Burdette pleaded guilty to involuntary manslaughter in the death of Jerome Noble, and was sentenced to five years of community control, and 36 months in jail if he violates the terms of his probation.

Sources: "Travis Burdette pleads guilty to involuntary manslaughter, gets probation, *starbeacon.com*, November 11, 2020, "Brothers indicted in January Circle K shooting," *starbeacon.com*, March 21, 2019.

Ohio

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** James Rhymer

CONVICTED

Date: June 29, 2018

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On June 29, 2018, concealed handgun permit holder James Rhymer, 45, shot and killed Thomas Landacre, 37, during a child custody exchange. Rhymer had driven to a location near a community pool to pick up his three-year-old son from his ex-girlfriend. The exchange initially took place without incident and Rhymer put the boy in his vehicle. At that point Landacre, who was Rhymer's ex-girlfriend's boyfriend, drove up in a pickup truck and got out. According to Rhymer's defense attorney, Landacre was shirtless, with visible swastika tattoos, and was shouting obscenities and "lunging" at Rhymer. Rhymer, a veteran of both the Army and Navy, retrieved his handgun from the center console of his vehicle and shot Landacre in the chest, killing him. While Rhymer claimed that he acted in self-defense, prosecutors argued that Rhymer "abused his powers as a gun owner." Prosecutors stated that while Landacre "is not a sympathetic character" and acted irrationally, "That doesn't mean he should have died." Rhymer was convicted of voluntary manslaughter and sentenced to 14 years in prison.

Source: "Man sentenced in 2018 child custody exchange killing in suburban Hamilton County," *cincinnati.com*, March 20, 2020; "Man convicted of manslaughter in child custody exchange shooting," *cincinnati.com*, February 25, 2020.

Ohio

■ **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Unknown

UNINTENTIONAL

Date: April 20, 2018

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On April 20, 2018, an unidentified concealed handgun permit holder unintentionally shot and killed her two-year-old daughter, Laila Johnson, while trying to engage the safety of her gun. According to police, the mother was apparently putting the gun away when it fired. The bullet passed through a mattress, striking her daughter in the chest. Three other children were in the hotel room when the incident occurred, but were not injured.

Source: “Mom Was Turning On Safety When 2-Year-Old Was Shot, Killed,” *pittsburgh.cbslocal.com*, April 23, 2018; “2-year-old girl accidentally shot and killed at Wickliffe hotel, police say,” *cleveland.com*, April 21, 2018

Ohio

■ **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Joan Horton

SHOT AND KILLED IN INCIDENT

Date: January 5, 2018

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On January 5, 2018, concealed handgun permit holder Joan Horton, 39, was shot and killed with her own gun after getting into a fight. Police say that Horton was involved in a fight with another woman, who did not have a gun, at Andy's Café when she pulled out her handgun. When an unarmed bouncer tried to break up the fight and take her gun, it went off, striking her once in the stomach. Horton was transported to the hospital where she died from her injuries. Police say it was not clear who was holding the gun when it went off. No charges have been filed.

Source: "Victim in Carthage Shooting had concealed-carry permit," www.cincinnati.com, January 6, 2018.

Ohio

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Unidentified

UNINTENTIONAL

Date: September 28, 2017

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On September 28, 2017, three-year-old Christian Hein died after shooting himself in the head with his father's gun outside the family's home in Parma, Ohio. According to investigators, the boy found the loaded gun in the center console of the family's van and unintentionally shot himself with it. A caller to 911 described the shooting, "It sounded like a shot, and now some guy is running around the backyard screaming and yelling....I don't know what happened, but it doesn't look good or sound good. There's a little kid, looks like he's got blood all over him." The boy's father had a concealed carry permit.

Source: "Medical examiner's office identifies boy shot in head in Parma," *cleveland.com*, September 29, 2017; "Police: 4-year-old in Parma shot himself in the head," *news5cleveland.com*, September 28, 2017.

Ohio

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Tiffany Smith

CONVICTED

Date: July 29, 2017

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On July 29, 2017, concealed handgun permit holder Tiffany Smith, 42, allegedly shot and killed Lacy Rae King, 32, following a fight involving teens that escalated after adults became involved. Smith's attorney claims she was called to Joe's Drive-Thru after her daughter was involved in an altercation, and was defending herself against someone threatening her with a bottle. King's mother called the dispute "kid's stuff" saying Smith "killed my daughter over something that could have just been resolved." King's sister called the shooting senseless and said Smith "brought a gun to a kid fight." Smith was charged with murder.

UPDATE: In August 2017, the charges against Tiffany Smith were upgraded to special felony murder and felonious assault.

UPDATE: On July 24, 2019, Tiffany Smith was convicted of murder and felonious assault in the death of Lacy King. On August 6, 2019, Smith was sentenced to 21 years to life in prison.

Source: "'You ruined your life,' judge tells woman during sentencing for fatal Lockland shooting," *local12.com*, August 6, 2019; "Lockland woman convicted of murder for fatal shooting at drive-thru," *local12.com*, July 24, 2019; "Woman faces additional charges for Lockland murder," *local12.com*, August 15, 2017; "Families say Lockland shooting started with teen dispute," *wlwt.com*, July 31, 2017.

Ohio

■ **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** David Kinney

CONVICTED

Date: May 7, 2017

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On May 7, 2017, concealed handgun permit holder David Kinney, 30, shot and killed his friend Brad McGarry, 43, at McGarry's home following an argument. According to police, Kinney's first written statement about the incident indicated that he went to McGarry's home to return a weed-eater and found McGarry's body. In a second statement two days later, Kinney admitted there was an argument between himself and McGarry saying, "I started to tell him what we can no longer see each other in any other way but being friends and we started arguing." Kinney went on to allege that McGarry grabbed a pistol and was waving it around and pointing it at him, and that he panicked and shot McGarry, saying he never meant to kill his best friend and that he acted in self defense. Kinney was charged with murder with a firearm specification.

UPDATE: On February 6, 2018, David Kinney was found guilty of aggravated murder in the death of Brad McGarry. On February 14, 2018, Kinney was sentenced to life in prison plus three years, with no possibility for parole.

Sources: "Best friend's murder sends Bellaire man to prison," *wtrf.com*, February 14, 2018; "Belmont County jury finds Kinney guilty in McGarry's death," *timesleaderonline.com*, February 6, 2018; "Interview ruled admissible in murder case," *The Times Leader*, July 7, 2017; "More details surface in Bellaire murder case," *wtov9.com*, May 18, 2017.

Ohio

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Steve Stephens

SUICIDE

Date: April 16, 2017

People Killed: 2 (including shooter)

Circumstances: On April 16, 2017, concealed handgun permit holder Steve Stephens, 37, shot and killed Robert Godwin Sr., 74, as Godwin was collecting aluminum cans on East 93rd Street in Cleveland, Ohio. Stephens, who did not know Godwin prior to the shooting, posted a video of the murder on Facebook shortly after it happened. In the video, Stephens forced Godwin to say the name of Stephens' girlfriend before shooting him and claimed to have killed more than a dozen other people, which remains unsubstantiated. Stephens led police on a multi-state manhunt before shooting and killing himself in Erie County, Pennsylvania. Police recovered a .45 Glock handgun from his car, which is believed to be the murder weapon.

Sources: "Gun believed to be murder weapon found in Steve Stephens' car," www.thedenverchannel.com, April 19, 2017; "Cleveland Facebook murder suspect shot, killed himself after pursuit: Police," www.abcnews.go.com, April 18, 2017; "Facebook shooting suspect has concealed carry license, police say," www.cleveland.com, April 17, 2017; "Multistate manhunt underway for suspect in Facebook homicide video," www.washingtonpost.com, April 17, 2017; "Woman targeted by Facebook killer is cooperating with police, source says," www.cleveland.com, April 17, 2017.

Ohio

■ **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** William S. Knight

CONVICTED

Date: March 20, 2017

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On March 20, 2017, concealed handgun permit holder William S. Knight, 63, allegedly shot and killed Keith Johnson, 24, on Danmead Avenue in Akron, Ohio. The family of Knight's son-in-law began communicating with Johnson when he offered to sell the dirt bike on social media, believing that the motorcycle was the same one that had been stolen from their garage in February 2016. According to Johnson's father, Johnson had owned the dirt bike for about three months and did not know it was stolen. After agreeing to meet on Danmead Avenue, the family demanded Johnson give back the motorcycle. When Johnson attempted to leave, Knight's son-in-law, 40, grabbed onto the dirt bike to stop him. Knight then allegedly shot Johnson in the head. A member of the family was on the phone with 911 when the shot was fired, and had been attempting to get police officers to the scene to convince Johnson to give them the motorcycle. Knight was arrested and charged with felonious assault and involuntary manslaughter.

UPDATE: On April 10, 2018, William Knight was found guilty on two counts of murder and two counts of felonious assault in the killing of Keith Johnson. On April 23, 2018, Knight was sentenced to life in prison. He will be eligible for parole after serving 18 years of his sentence.

Sources: "Streetsboro man sentenced to life in prison after shooting a man in the head over dirt bike," *news5cleveland.com*, April 23, 2018; "Streetsboro man found guilty of murder in fatal shooting over dirt bike," *cleveland.com*, April 10, 2018; "Man charged in deadly Akron shooting over stolen dirt bike," *www.fox8.com*, March 21, 2017.

Ohio

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Dawn Shearer

CONVICTED

Date: February 6, 2017

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On February 6, 2017, concealed handgun permit holder Dawn Shearer allegedly shot and killed her ex-husband, Tony Shearer, inside their Middletown, Ohio, home. The victim was found shot in the head. Shearer stated that she was acting in self-defense and her defense attorney claimed that witnesses saw the victim chasing Shearer around their driveway and that he had blocked her car to prevent her from leaving. The couple had divorced but were attempting to reconcile. Shearer was charged with murder and pleaded not guilty.

UPDATE: On June 23, 2017, Dawn Shearer was found guilty of murder and felonious assault in the death of Tony Shearer. She was sentenced to a mandatory 15 years to life in prison.

Sources: "Middletown woman convicted of murder in ex-husband's death," www.journal-news.com, June 23, 2017; "Middletown woman claims self-defense in shooting of ex-husband," www.wlwt.com, February 8, 2017.

Ohio

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Javon Thomas

PENDING

Date: January 7, 2017

People Killed: 2

Circumstances: On January 7, 2017, concealed handgun permit holder Javon Thomas, 27, shot and killed Brian Brack, 24, and Austin Tiller, 20, following an altercation at a party at Thomas's girlfriend's apartment. Brack's girlfriend, Destany Dixon, called Brack from the party and was upset about a joke that Thomas had made at her expense. Thomas testified that he saw Brack put a gun in his pocket as he walked into the apartment. The two men exchanged words and each pulled a gun and fired. Thomas fired six shots from his Micro Desert Eagle .380 pistol. Three of the shots went through Tiller's back, killing him. One hit Brack in the chest and he died in the hallway outside the apartment. One shot wounded Dixon in the leg. On October 12, 2017, Thomas was found guilty of two counts of murder, two counts of felonious assault, and one count of misdemeanor negligent homicide, along with four firearms specifications. On November 27, 2017, Thomas was sentenced to 36 years to life in prison.

UPDATE: In July 2019, an appeals court ordered a new trial for Javon Thomas in the death of Brian Brack and Austin Tiller. Thomas argued in his appeal that he was not given a fair trial because the jury was instructed in the wrong kind of self-defense doctrine. The jury was instructed that under Ohio law, a person claiming self-defense has a "duty to retreat" before using force as a form of self-defense. Thomas argued the jury should have been instructed to consider the "castle doctrine" which means that if someone lives in the home they are being attacked in, they do not have a duty to retreat.

Source: "New trial ordered for man sentenced to prison for double homicide in Ravenna," *record-courier.com*, July 9, 2019; "Javon Thomas gets 36 years to life in prison for murder," *record-courier.com*, November 27, 2017.

Ohio

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Steven Leannais

CONVICTED

Date: December 8, 2016

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On December 8, 2016, concealed handgun permit holder Steven Leannais, 30, unintentionally shot and killed his friend Anthony Stanford, II during a drunken dinner party at Leannais' Cleveland apartment. Leannais apparently decided to live-stream some of the evening's events on Facebook. The video shows Leannais jokingly waving the gun around as well as putting it in his own mouth, saying, "I'm going to do it, I swear to God." Sometime after streaming the video, Stanford was fatally shot in the abdomen. Leannais agreed to prosecutors' request to surrender any guns in his possession in addition to his concealed carry permit. Leannais was charged with third-degree felony involuntary manslaughter.

UPDATE: On March 14, 2018, Steven Leannais was convicted of involuntary manslaughter in the death of Anthony Stanford. Leannais faces between three and six years in prison.

Source: *State v. Leannais*, 2019-Ohio-2568, 2019 Ohio App. LEXIS 2684, 2019 WL 2635959; "Cleveland man who shot friend during dinner party found guilty of involuntary manslaughter," *cleveland.com*, March 14, 2018; "A tragic mistake: Man allegedly shot friend after playing with gun on Facebook Live," *www.wtae.com*, December 13, 2016; "Banker's assistant, 30, 'accidentally shot and killed his 27-year-old friend' after playing about with a gun at a drunken dinner party that was being streamed live on Facebook," *Daily Mail*, December 13, 2016.

Ohio

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Frank Staton

CONVICTED

Date: March 24, 2016

People Killed: 2

Circumstances: On March 24, 2016, concealed handgun permit holder Frank Staton, 56, allegedly shot and killed Terri Treadway, 58 and Catherine Sutter, 58, before attempting to kill himself. Treadway and Sutter were housekeepers at Hamlet Village, an assisted living facility in northeast Ohio. According to police, Staton lived with one of the women. According to an affidavit in his arrest warrant, Staton admitted to shooting the women. Staton was hospitalized in critical condition. He was charged with murder.

UPDATE: On August 23, 2016, Frank Staton pleaded guilty to aggravated murder, murder, and felonious assault in the deaths of Terri Treadway and Catherine Sutter. He was sentenced to 66 years to life in prison.

Source: "Man pleads guilty to killing two women at Chagrin Falls retirement community," *fox8.com*, August 23, 2016; "Warrant: Chef at Ohio facility admitted killing housekeepers," *limaohio.com*, March 26, 2016.

Ohio

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Elizabeth Green

UNINTENTIONAL

Date: June 11, 2015

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On June 11, 2015, three-year-old Marques Green unintentionally shot himself with a pistol he found in his mother's purse. The boy's mother, concealed handgun permit holder Elizabeth Green, said in a call to 911 dispatchers that she had put her purse down after returning to her home and heard a shot moments later. On the 911 recording she was heard saying, "My son just shot himself and I'm not getting a pulse. Oh my God, oh, my God, I'm not getting a pulse...I don't think he's alive!" An investigation confirmed the boy died from a self-inflicted gunshot wound to his chest and that the mother failed to secure the handgun in her purse, where she kept it for protection. No charges were filed against Elizabeth Green.

Source: "No charges for mother whose 3-year-old killed self," *10tv.com*, June 17, 2015; "'My son just shot himself and I'm not getting a pulse!': Three-year-old boy dies firing mom's handgun into his own chest after finding it in her purse," *Daily Mail*, June 12, 2015.

Ohio

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Christopher Kiehl

CONVICTED

Date: September 21, 2014

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On September 21, 2014, concealed handgun permit holder Christopher Kiehl, 25, shot and killed Kyle R. Fox, 26, following an altercation after a party. Kiehl and Fox were attending a bonfire party at the home of Fox's fiancée, Brittany Mulhollen. According to witnesses, someone encouraged Kiehl to pull his truck closer to the bonfire so people could sit on the tailgate. Kiehl's truck then got stuck in a ditch and damaged the lawn. The damage angered Fox and Mulhollen's father who confronted Kiehl as he prepared to drive away. Witnesses reported that Fox jumped into the bed of the truck, and a confrontation ensued after the truck stopped and Fox jumped out. Kiehl claimed that he was defending himself, saying, "All I wanted to do was pistol whip him in the face. I was defending myself." Kiehl admitted he should not have taken his weapon out since he had been drinking, but claimed the gun went off unintentionally during the confrontation. Fox died of a single gunshot wound to the neck. On December 23, 2014, Kiehl was found guilty of reckless homicide with a firearm.

Source: "Barberton man found guilty of homicide, but not murder," *cleveland.com*, December 23, 2014; "Emotional testimony in Edinburg murder trial," *recordpub.com*, December 17, 2014.

Ohio

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Maurizio Kollstedt

SUICIDE

Date: November 29, 2013

People Killed: 2 (including shooter)

Circumstances: On November 29, 2013, concealed handgun permit holder Maurizio Kollstedt, 43, shot and killed his girlfriend, 30-year-old Tabitha Lynn Windham, before turning the gun on himself. According to a friend and neighbor of Kollstedt's, "He was pretty proud of the fact that he got his conceal carry permit recently, and I'm a conceal carry holder myself and I know the background checks." According to the same neighbor, Kollstedt had been "having trouble with his girlfriend."

Source: "Police ID 2 killed in Colerain Twp. murder-suicide," *fox19.com*, November 29, 2013; "Two dead in Colerain Township murder-suicide," *wcpo.com*, November 29, 2013.

Ohio

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Charles Kropinak

SUICIDE

Date: September 8, 2013

People Killed: 2 (including shooter)

Circumstances: On September 8, 2013, concealed handgun permit holder Charles Kropinak, 36, shot and killed his estranged girlfriend Sylvia Maillis, 37, before turning the handgun on himself. According to police, Maillis was working the 10 PM to 7 AM shift at a Walmart in Salem, Ohio, when she took a break with co-workers at a nearby Taco Bell and Dunkin' Donuts before returning to the employee parking lot. Kropinak then pulled into a nearby parking space and exited his vehicle. Maillis got out of the vehicle she was in and an argument ensued. Kropinak brandished his Ruger 9mm pistol and shot Maillis multiple times before taking his own life. Maillis had obtained a protection order from Mahoning County against Kropinak in the past, but it was not clear if it was still active at the time of the shooting.

Source: "Deaths ruled murder-suicide," *Salem News*, September 9, 2013.

Ohio

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Michael Mitchell

CONVICTED

Date: August 8, 2013

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On August 8, 2013, concealed handgun permit holder Michael Mitchell, 38, allegedly shot and killed 38-year-old Marie Cantwell at approximately 3:00 AM in the home that he shared with Cantwell and her three daughters, ages 10 to 14. Their mother's body was discovered at 11:00 AM later that morning by Cantwell's 13-year-old daughter. Mitchell, who had a concealed carry permit and was known to carry a gun, allegedly fled after the shooting and was described as "armed and dangerous." As the county sheriff told the local paper, "When you could shoot somebody and kill somebody with that person's three children in the house, I consider him armed and dangerous."

UPDATE: On June 13, 2014, Michael Mitchell was convicted of murder and tampering with evidence in the death of Marie Cantwell. Mitchell was sentenced to 24 years to life in prison with a mandatory 21 years without parole. During sentencing the judge noted that he was handing down the maximum sentence because Mitchell did not call 911 after the shooting, and "actively prevented help from reaching" Cantwell.

Source: "Mitchell found guilty of murder," *wto9.com*, June 14, 2014; "Murder suspect still at large," *Morning Journal News*, August 9, 2013.

Ohio

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Bruce Hively

CONVICTED

Date: April 4, 2013

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On April 4, 2013, concealed handgun permit holder Bruce Hively, 56, allegedly shot and killed Charles T. Addis, 18, following a confrontation. According to news reports there had been an ongoing dispute between the two men. Hively reportedly drove past Addis who was with two other males at an intersection, then turned back around to where Addis was standing. Hively reportedly exited his vehicle and a confrontation ensued. Hively allegedly shot Addis four times at close range including twice when Addis was already on the ground. Hively was taken into custody at the scene and was charged with murder, aggravated murder, and tampering with evidence.

UPDATE: On November 7, 2013, Bruce Hively was found guilty of aggravated murder with a gun specification and tampering with evidence. He was found not guilty on a separate murder count.

Source: "UPDATE: Hively Convicted of Killing Gallia County Teen," *wsaz.com*, November 7, 2013; "UPDATE: Man Indicted in Murder of 18-Year-Old," *wsaz.com*, April 12, 2013; "Hively charged with murder, aggravated murder," *Gallipolis Daily Tribune*, April 9, 2013

Ohio

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Jeremy Ammons

UNINTENTIONAL

Date: June 24, 2012

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On June 24, 2012, concealed handgun permit holder Jeremy Ammons, 36, unintentionally shot himself in the head while waving a gun he was showing to relatives. He died the next day. According to witnesses, Ammon had been showing off the gun he kept with his concealed carry permit. Police said Ammons had removed the gun's ammunition magazine and cleared a round from the chamber, but somehow at the time he was waving the gun there was a round in the chamber.

Source: "Accidental shooting kills Ohio man," *The Journal Gazette*, June 26, 2012.

Ohio

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** David A. Ramey

CONVICTED

Date: February 15, 2012

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On February 15, 2012, concealed carry permit holder David A. Ramey, 38, allegedly shot and killed his wife, Stephanie, 28, with two shots from a .38 special revolver. That morning, Ramey arrived at the trailer that he and his wife shared with his mother (he had been absent from the home for the past two days due to “troubles” the couple was having). Ramey asked where his wife was and his mother, who was watching television, told him that she was in the bedroom. According to Ramey’s mother, “I heard her say, ‘no,’ and then two shots.” Ramey’s wife was shot once in the stomach and once in the head. On his way out, Ramey took the phone cord out of the telephone and told his mother that he would kill her if she tried to get help. Ramey left in his red Ford pickup truck but was later stopped by police, who found a revolver with two spent shells on the passenger seat. According to law enforcement who interviewed Ramey, “He said that he was angry. He said that he had caught his wife cheating with someone else.” In March 2012 Ramey was indicted by a grand jury and charged with aggravated murder, murder and disrupting public service. Both murder charges had gun specifications attached.

UPDATE: On June 25, 2012, David Ramey pled guilty to one count of aggravated murder. He was sentenced to life in prison and will be eligible for parole after 25 years served.

Sources: “Guilty plea entered in Ramey murder case,” *mydailyregister.com*, June 26, 2012; “Update: Gallia County Man Indicted in Wife’s Murder,” *WSAZ NewsChannel 3*, March 16, 2012; “Grand jury to hear case against shooting suspect,” *Gallipolis Daily Tribune*, February 26, 2012.

Ohio

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Brian Scott Kolesar

SUICIDE

Date: October 17, 2011

People Killed: 2

Circumstances: On October 17, 2011, concealed handgun permit holder Brian Scott Kolesar, 33, shot his girlfriend, Julie Arnold, 35, and her father, Charles W. Cheadle, 75, along an Ohio highway before turning his gun on himself. The three had been riding in a maroon Honda when Kolesar shot Cheadle and then Arnold. Both Cheadle and Kolesar died, while Arnold was admitted to the hospital with two gunshot wounds to the chest. Arnold and Kolesar had been involved in what press accounts characterized as a “troubled relationship” to the point where in March 2011 Arnold obtained a protective order against Kolesar. In court documents Arnold stated, “I’m asking for this protection order because I’m afraid if he gets the opportunity to harm me he will....He has threatened the life of our child many times....He has threatened to take his own life several times....I feel he is not stable and could use a weapon at any time.” The next month, Arnold asked the court to dismiss the protective order since Kolesar had moved to a treatment facility in Florida. At the time of the shooting, Kolesar was living in the home that Arnold and Cheadle shared. The shooting occurred after Arnold reported that she’d thought Kolesar had put laundry detergent in their child’s baby bottle and that she wanted him to move out of the home. After the police were called, he agreed to move out if he could retrieve some items from a storage locker. The three were making this trip when the murder-suicide occurred.

Source: “Shooter had history of violence,” *Newark Advocate*, October 20, 2011; “Licking County shooting victim had sought protection,” *LancasterEagleGazete.com*, October 19, 2011.

Ohio

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Mark Langlois

CONVICTED

Date: January 27, 2011

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On January 27, 2011, concealed handgun permit holder Mark Langlois, 51, a mechanic at Forklifts of Toledo, Inc., shot and killed James Schueler, Jr., 65, the company's vice president and general manager. Schueler was found behind his desk with a single gunshot wound to the head. At trial, ballistics experts testified that the shell casing found at the crime scene matched Langlois' 9mm Glock pistol. Langlois told detectives that he left the office the morning of the shooting and went directly to a job site, but a GPS unit in the van that he was driving showed that he went to his home first before proceeding to the job site and surveillance video showed that he left the office about 15 minutes later than he claimed in his interview with police. News reports stated that Langlois' computer contained a "voluminous" amount of searches on gun websites, including multiple searches for silencers and suppressors. Multiple handguns, ammunition, and gun parts—including spare gun barrels, scopes, and silencers—were taken from Langlois' home. On November 18, 2011, Langlois was convicted of aggravated murder and murder, both with gun specifications. Later that month he was sentenced to life in prison without the possibility of parole.

Source: *State v. Langlois*, 2013-Ohio-5177, 2 N.E.3d 936, 2013 Ohio App. LEXIS 5392, 2013 WL 6174841; "Life term ordered for workplace murder," *Toledo Blade*, November 24, 2011; "Langlois found guilty in boss' fatal shooting," *Toledo Blade*, November 19, 2011; "Jury views murder suspect Mark Langlois' interview," *Toledo Blade*, November 17, 2011.

Ohio

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Shawn Kortz

CONVICTED

Date: September 19, 2010

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On September 19, 2010, concealed handgun permit holder Shawn Kortz, 40, strangled friend and neighbor Michael Hollon, 48, after a night of drinking in Kortz's home. Kortz, a trucker, had been up for 30 hours and had just returned home from an out-of-state trip. During his January 2012 trial, Kortz's attorney told the jury that his client did not remember fighting with Hollon and that the first thing he did remember was staring at himself in the mirror and wondering why he was covered in blood. He then called his wife, who told him to take a shower and see where he was bleeding from. Soon after Kortz found Hollon dead in his den in a pool of blood, with blood splattered on the room's walls and ceiling. Kortz then fled, taking his handgun with him. According to news reports, "Kortz took his gun because 'he had a permit to carry it legally' and generally took it with him...." He fled to Kentucky in his Dodge Durango with the loaded gun on the truck's passenger seat. He was eventually apprehended and charged with murder, tampering with evidence, and carrying a firearm while a fugitive from justice.

UPDATE: On January 27, 2012, Shawn Kortz was found guilty of murder in the death of Michael Hollon.

Source: "Man convicted for strangling neighbor," *wdtn.com*, January 27, 2012; "Man accused of murder claims he can't remember events," *Dayton Daily News*, January 25, 2012.

Ohio

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Randy Shrodes

SUICIDE

Date: September 2, 2010

People Killed: 2

Circumstances: On September 2, 2010, concealed handgun permit holder Randy Shrodes used a shotgun to kill his wife Amy, before using the gun to take his own life. According to court records, Shrodes had two pending criminal cases against him. The court date of one—failure to control a vehicle and operating a vehicle under the influence—was scheduled for the day of the murder-suicide. In the second case Shrodes was charged with using a weapon while intoxicated and improperly handling a firearm in a motor vehicle. According to the Ohio State Highway Patrol, Shrodes, carrying a passenger, crashed his motorcycle into a median around 10:30 PM on August 22. Because he refused to taken an sobriety test, Shrodes was cited for operating a vehicle while under the influence. Shrodes was also in possession of a 38 caliber handgun which resulted in the weapons charge. Shrodes surrendered the handgun to the Highway Patrol on the night of the crash, but had the shotgun and other firearms at home. Shrodes was a former city employee, but was recently unemployed. His father was ex-police chief and former Mayor Lloyd “Bud” Shrodes, who had recently passed away. News reports stated that Shrodes’ son Jeremy “said his father had been going through a rough time but nobody saw this coming.” Police said that they had never responded to a domestic violence call at the couple’s home.

Source: “Police: Man Who Killed Wife, Self Had Criminal Charges Pending,” *wtov9.com*, September 3, 2010.

Ohio

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Matthew Warmus

CONVICTED

Date: April 9, 2010

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On April 9, 2010, Matthew Warmus shot and killed parking lot attendant David Williams, 27, after an argument over a parking space. Both men had concealed handgun permits. Warmus, in downtown Cleveland to attend a Cavaliers NBA basketball game, reportedly argued with Williams over a parking space in the lot Williams oversaw. Police say the fight eventually turned physical. Witnesses told police that Williams tried to give Warmus his money back, but that Warmus walked back to his car, retrieved his gun from the vehicle, and then shot Williams three times: twice in the stomach and then a third shot at close range to the back of the head. While Warmus' attorney argued self-defense for his client, claiming that Williams had pulled his handgun first, no witnesses saw Williams pull his gun. Warmus was charged with aggravated murder.

UPDATE: On October 28, 2010, Warmus was found guilty of murder and was sentenced to 15 years to life in prison for the murder and an additional three years for using a gun in committing the crime. At sentencing, the judge told Warmus, "If I am contacted 18 years from now for your first parole hearing, I will tell the board that you lacked the courage and honesty to even apologize to the family."

Source: "Jury finds Matthew Warmus guilty of murder in slaying in parking lot," *Cleveland.com*, October 28, 2010; "Parking Lot Shooting Suspect Claims Self-Defense," *www.fox8.com*, April 14, 2010; "Man held on \$2M bond after fatal parking lot shooting," *www.newsnet5.com*, April 13, 2010.

Ohio

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Shamon McDavis

CONVICTED

Date: March 4, 2010

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On March 4, 2010, 26-year-old Kelli Walton was fatally shot—allegedly by her on-again, off-again boyfriend, 28-year-old Shamon McDavis—while she held their three-week-old daughter in her arms. The baby, Kloe, was in critical condition after a bullet grazed her head, resulting in a skull fracture. Walton’s three other children—ages nine, six, and three—were home at the time of the shooting but did not witness it. The shooting occurred during an argument between Walton and McDavis over money and other things she wanted for her children. Walton’s mother alerted 911 after one of her granddaughters woke her up and told her she had heard two gunshots. Several hysterical people, some sounding like children, wailed in the background as Walton’s mother called 911. “I think my daughter is dead....Oh no, please Lord. Please, Jesus. Come and get my baby,” Walton told the dispatcher. One neighbor stated after the shooting, “It is spooky to know somebody would kill a mother with a baby in her hands.” McDavis had a concealed handgun permit, but, “Why he’s carrying a gun, I don’t know,” said Homicide Sgt. Bob Liston. McDavis was charged with murder in the death of Walton and felonious assault in the child’s injury.

UPDATE: In January 2011, McDavis pleaded guilty to killing Kelli Watson, and faces a sentence of life in prison without parole.

Source: “Arrest made in mother’s shooting death;” cincinnati.com, March 4, 2010.

Ohio

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Matthew R. Culbertson

CONVICTED

Date: February 20, 2010

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: Jerri L. Vernon, 22, died on February 20, 2010, after being unintentionally shot in the stomach by concealed handgun permit holder Matthew R. Culbertson, 26. The two had been drinking with friends during the day at a residence in New Marshfield. Culbertson went outside to load his 40 caliber handgun (which he had purchased less than a month earlier), fired a few rounds, and then came back into the house. When Vernon asked whether the handgun was empty, Culbertson replied, "Let's see." Culbertson pointed the gun at Vernon, pulled the trigger, and shot her. Witnesses said the two had not argued prior to the shooting. Sheriff Patrick Kelly stated, "I believe it was just carelessness with a firearm and alcohol. They do not mix." Culbertson, who had received his concealed handgun permit the prior September, was charged with involuntary manslaughter, a third degree felony.

UPDATE: On November 10, 2010, Culbertson pleaded guilty to reckless homicide and using a weapon while intoxicated, agreeing to spend five years and six months in prison. Culbertson must serve all five years and six months of the sentence and will be on probation for three years after his release, according to the agreement.

Source: "Local man takes plea, sentenced," *The Post*, November 12, 2010; "Alcohol a factor in Athens County shooting death," *The Columbus Dispatch.com*, February 22, 2010; "Shooting claims life of New Straitsville woman," *The Athens Messenger*, February 21, 2010.

Ohio

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Julene Simko

CONVICTED

Date: November 18, 2009

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On November 18, 2009, concealed handgun permit holder Julene Simko, 38, killed her husband Jeremy Simko, 36, by shooting him in the back of the head with a .357 Magnum Smith & Wesson revolver as he slept in their bedroom. Julene Simko claimed that an intruder broke into the house and shot her husband while she was sleeping in another part of the house. The prosecutor noted numerous inconsistencies in her story about why she was sleeping on the third floor and how she was able to tell her husband was bleeding in a nearly pitch black room as he slept on red bed linens. The prosecutor also detailed the security at the Simko residence including door alarms, an alarm on the driveway, guard dogs, and security cameras, none of which detected an intruder. The prosecutor argued at trial, “The defendant here wants you to believe the killer is some mysterious intruder who is somehow able to, perhaps in a Mission: Impossible way, avoid all of the security systems in the house and the property, creep up, shoot her husband in the head at extremely close range without being seen, without being heard and to negotiate back out of the house in the dark without setting off any of the security systems and leave no trace....This court will determine that story is a fantasy, it’s a fiction, it’s like a movie script.” Julene Simko was charged with aggravated murder, murder, felonious assault, and tampering with evidence.

UPDATE: On October 20, 2017, Julene Simko was found guilty of one count of aggravated murder, two counts of murder, two counts of felonious assault, and one count of tampering with evidence, along with firearm specifications in the murder of her husband Jeremy Simko. On October 26, 2017, Julene Simko was sentenced to 28 years to life in prison.

Source: “Vermilion woman sentenced 28 years to life for killing husband,” *cleveland.com*, October 26, 2017; “Julene Simko guilty of murdering her husband in 2009 in Vermilion,” *The Morning Journal*, October 20, 2017; “Vermilion woman’s murder trial now awaits verdict,” *The Morning Journal*, September 26, 2017; “Lead investigator continues testimony in Simko murder trial,” *The Chronicle-Telegram*, September 13, 2017.

Ohio

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Steven Rodvold

CONVICTED

Date: September 17, 2009

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On September 17, 2009, concealed handgun permit holder Steven Rodvold, 26, shot and killed his father, Keith Rodvold, 51, with a .357 magnum pistol on the deck of the home they shared. Steven Rodvold claimed he shot his father in self-defense, but according to the sheriff, evidence collected at the scene did not back up his claim. Steven Rodvold shot his father six times in the upper body from a distance of two to three feet. At the time of the shooting, Steven Rodvold was unemployed and low on money and angry at his father for suggesting he reenlist in the army. Steven Rodvold had served in the army for seven and a half years after leaving school at the age of 18, having completed the tenth grade. In May 2010, Steven Rodvold was convicted of one count of murder with an attendant gun specification and was sentenced to 15 years to life in prison together with a three-year mandatory consecutive sentence for the gun specification. In February 2012, an appeals court upheld the conviction.

Source: *State of Ohio v. Steven J. Rodvold*, Court of Appeals of Ohio, Sixth Appellate District, Huron County, February 17, 2012; "26-year-old son charged in shooting death of father," *morningjournal.com*, September 19, 2009.

Ohio

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** David Nesbitt

PENDING

Date: July 18, 2009

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On July 18, 2009, five-year-old Zacharia Nesbitt unintentionally shot himself with his father's 9mm Glock pistol which had been stored in a closet, loaded with a round in the chamber. Zacharia died after the gun discharged and fired a bullet into his right lung. David Nesbitt had a concealed handgun permit for the gun. He was charged with negligent homicide.

Source: "Dad charged in son's accidental death," *The Cincinnati Enquirer*, August 1, 2009.

Ohio

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Emmitt Weaver

SUICIDE

Date: April 7, 2009

People Killed: 2 (including shooter)

Circumstances: On April 7, 2009, 66-year-old Emmitt Weaver shot and killed his wife Betty, also 66, with a small caliber handgun and then turned the gun on himself. Deputies found both bodies in the living room of their home. Betty Weaver was lying face down with two gunshot wounds, and Emmitt Weaver was found in his recliner with a self-inflicted gunshot wound. The couple had reportedly been arguing, and Emmitt Weaver suffered from an unspecified medical condition. Emmitt Weaver was a hunter, kept several rifles in his home, and had a concealed handgun permit.

Source: "Police investigating murder-suicide," *The News-Messenger*, April 9, 2009.

Ohio

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Anthony Rodecker

SUICIDE

Date: October 3, 2008

People Killed: 2 (including shooter)

Circumstances: On October 3, 2008, police discovered the bodies of Anthony Rodecker and his ex-girlfriend Brenda Keeler. Both had been shot and a gun was found nearby in what police suspected was a murder-suicide. Rodecker had been banned from the café where Keeler bartended. Her relatives had urged her not to give in to his requests to see her when he threatened to kill himself if she refused. Rodecker had a concealed handgun permit that he obtained in Union County, Ohio.

Source: "2 shot dead on Far West Side; Authorities suspect murder-suicide in deaths of woman, former boyfriend," *Columbus Dispatch*, October 4, 2008.

Ohio

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Ashford Thompson

CONVICTED

Date: July 13, 2008

People Killed: 1

Law Enforcement Officers Killed: 1

Circumstances: On July 13, 2008, Ashford Thompson shot a police officer four times in the head after he was pulled over for playing loud music. Thompson used a Kel-Tec P11 “pocket pistol” in the shooting. Thompson, who had a concealed handgun permit issued by Cuyahoga County and had received a certificate for completing a concealed-carry class, pled guilty to aggravated murder.

UPDATE: Thompson’s guilty plea was later tossed out by the Ohio Supreme Court because of a technicality. Thompson was then tried by a jury and entered a plea of not guilty. In June 2010 Thompson was found guilty of aggravated murder and escape, among other charges. He was sentenced to death in June 2010.

Source: “Cop Killer Ashford Thompson Sentenced to Death,” *FOX8.com*, June 23, 2010; “Ashford Thompson found guilty on all counts,” *Twinsburgbulletin.com*, June 3, 2010; “Accused killer of Twinsburg cop goes on trial,” *www.wtam.com*, May 17, 2010; “Man indicted in killing of Twinsburg officer,” *Plain Dealer*, July 22, 2008; “Ashford Thompson’s sentencing hearing set for Oct. 15 in police officer’s murder,” *Plain Dealer*, June 25, 2009; “Thompson Pleads Guilty In Miktarian Death,” *AkronNewsNow.com*, April 13, 2009.

Ohio

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Marc Kidby

SUICIDE

Date: April 1, 2008

People Killed: 1 (including shooter)

Circumstances: On April 1, 2008, Marc Kidby died of self-inflicted gunshot wounds to his chest and head from a 38 caliber handgun—his third attempt at suicide. His concealed handgun permit was still active despite being the subject of a protection order obtained by his wife. The local sheriff's office had failed to suspend his concealed carry permit as required by law.

Source: "Man accused of violence still had gun permit," *The Columbus Dispatch*, April 3, 2008.

Ohio

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Geraldine Beasley

CONVICTED

Date: August 6, 2007

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On August 6, 2007, Geraldine Beasley shot Donald Francis, who was believed by police to be homeless. Beasley, who was panhandling on the same block as Francis, was angry because he was invading her “turf.” Beasley had a permit to carry a concealed weapon despite paying a fine for unlawfully transporting a firearm in 2003. In February 2008 Beasley pled guilty to voluntary manslaughter and was sentenced to nine years in prison.

Source: “Guilty plea entered in shooting death,” *The Cincinnati Enquirer*, February 28, 2008; “Woman accused of shooting panhandler had weapon permit,” *The Chronicle-Telegram*, August 11, 2007; “Woman Pleads Guilty in Spare-Change Shooting,” *wlwt.com*, February 28, 2008; “9-year term for woman who killed homeless man,” *The Cincinnati Enquirer*, April 5, 2008.

Ohio

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Terrance Hough Jr.

CONVICTED

Date: July 4, 2007

People Killed: 3

People Wounded: 2

Circumstances: On July 4, 2007, firefighter Terrance Hough Jr. used a 40 caliber pistol to shoot and kill neighbor Jacob Feichtner as well as Bruce Anderson and Katherine Rosby as a result of a dispute over fireworks the three were setting off. Hough also shot and injured Donny Walsh and Katherine Nicholas. Police seized 12 firearms from Hough's home after his arrest. Hough's fellow firefighters described him as a "ticking time bomb that finally exploded," and one noted, "I hope I'm off the day Hough snaps." Hough, who had received his concealed handgun permit in 2004, was convicted of three counts of aggravated murder and two counts of attempted murder and was sentenced to life in prison with no parole.

Source: "Judge denies bail for man charged in July Fourth slayings," *Associated Press*, July 9, 2007; "Hough Guilty, Could Get Death Penalty," *Cleveland Plain Dealer*, May 16, 2008; "Firefighter gets life sentence in killings over fireworks," *Associated Press*, May 22, 2008; "Hough known for bursts of anger," *Cleveland Plain Dealer*, July 7, 2007; "Firefighter in fatal shootings may face death penalty," *Cleveland Plain Dealer*, August 8, 2007.

Oklahoma

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Unknown

PENDING

Date: March 21, 2019

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On March 21, 2019, an unidentified concealed handgun permit holder allegedly shot and killed one of his coworkers, David Wilfong, 39, in Tulsa, Oklahoma. The shooting occurred in the parking lot across the street from Superior Salvage, a salvage yard where both men worked. The two men had been arguing throughout the day prior to the shooting. Wilfong was shot three times. No charges have yet been filed, pending the investigation.

Sources: "TPD identifies man shot, killed by coworker in north Tulsa," *ktul.com*, March 22, 2019; "Man shot, killed during apparent dispute at Tulsa salvage yard," *krmg.com*, March 21, 2019.

Oklahoma

■ **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Ethan Spruill

CONVICTED

Date: February 15, 2014

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On February 15, 2014, concealed handgun permit holder Ethan Spruill shot and killed Aaron McCray following an altercation in McCray's apartment. McCray lived with his fiancée, Stephanie Grantham, and two children in the apartment below Spruill's. Prior to the shooting, McCray and Grantham had complained to the apartment manager about noise from Spruill's apartment. On the night of the shooting, Spruill returned to the apartment from work around 7:00 PM. He had been drinking during the day at work as well as on the way home. After drinking beer and vodka outside with McCray's next door neighbors, Spruill returned to his apartment and smoked marijuana. He later came out of his apartment and joined a group of people on the upstairs landing of the apartment building. Grantham approached him and complained that he had awakened her children by stomping on the floor of the apartment, which he denied. Spruill became angry and accused Grantham of yelling at her children and abusing them. A short time later Spruill, armed with his revolver in a holster on his hip, decided to go to Grantham and McCray's apartment to confront the couple. Spruill beat on the door of the apartment, repeated his accusations, called the couple cowards, and said, "It's not like I'm going to shoot you, or am I?" McCray opened the door and Spruill either fell or was pulled into the apartment and a fight ensued. McCray landed on top of Spruill, pinning him down. Spruill pulled his gun and shot McCray in the chest several times. Spruill was convicted of first degree manslaughter and on July 13, 2016 and was sentenced to 23 years in prison.

Source: *Spruill v. Braggs*, 2019 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 222483, 2019 WL 7285564.

Oklahoma

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Gary Carl Buoy

CONVICTED

Date: January 7, 2011

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On January 7, 2011, concealed handgun permit holder Gary Carl Buoy, 52, shot and killed his wife, Diana Faye Buoy, 51. The shooting occurred in the couple's apartment. Buoy told police that he had accidentally shot his wife in the head from several feet away while holding a .357 Charter Arms revolver and playing with the gun's hammer. Buoy was later arrested in June when the autopsy on his wife revealed that the gun had been fired two to four inches from her head. When confronted by police, Buoy replied that he and his wife must have been much closer to each other than he originally thought. Press accounts detailed how in their closing argument, the prosecution team noted that Buoy's holding the revolver to his wife's head "was in total disregard for basic firearm safety—something in which Buoy had been trained as he held a concealed carry permit—and was in total disregard for human life." On February 9, 2012, Gary Carl Buoy was convicted of second degree murder. The jury recommended that he serve 15 years in the Department of Corrections.

Source: "Final arguments heard in murder trial for B'ville man accused of shooting wife," *www.kjrh.com*, February 9, 2012.

Oklahoma

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Jerome Ersland

CONVICTED

Date: May 19, 2009

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On May 19, 2009, Jerome Ersland shot and killed Antwun Parker, a 16-year-old who attempted to rob the Reliable Discount Pharmacy where Ersland worked as a pharmacist. Parker and another man entered the pharmacy as it was about to close at approximately 6:00 PM and pulled a gun, demanding cash and drugs. Ersland pulled his own gun and shot Parker in the head. The other robber fled the store and Ersland gave chase. Ersland then returned to the store, walked past Parker who was on the floor, retrieved another gun, and shot Parker five more times in the stomach. A coroner's report indicated that the shot to the head would not have been fatal, and ruled that the cause of death was the five shots to the stomach. Ersland possessed a concealed handgun permit despite being accused by his ex-wife of displaying "paranoid behavior" and abusing drugs. He was also alleged to have been under the care of a mental health professional in the past. Ersland was reported to have owned more than 100 weapons. The district attorney in Oklahoma concluded that Ersland should be charged with first degree murder because Parker at that point was unarmed, unconscious, and lying on his back, posing no threat to Ersland when he fired the five shots into Parker's stomach.

UPDATE: On May 26, 2011, Jerome Ersland was found guilty of first-degree murder in the shooting of Antwun Parker. The jury deliberated for less than four hours before finding Ersland guilty. Ersland faces a sentence of up to life in prison.

Source: "Self-Defense case: Pharmacist guilty," *The Wall Street Journal*, May 27, 2011; "Pharmacy Robberies," *U.S. Pharmacist*, July 20, 2009; "Shooting raises question on concealed carry permits," *The Oklahoman*, June 10, 2009.

Oklahoma

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Kenneth Gumm

CONVICTED

Date: June 10, 2007

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On June 10, 2007, Kenneth Gumm shot and killed Dale Turney in a road-rage incident. Gumm claimed that Turney tailgated him and followed him into a parking lot, blocking him in. Gumm had a permit to carry a concealed weapon as well as being CLEET (Council on Law Enforcement Education and Training) trained and a certified armed security guard. On May 29, 2008, Gumm pled guilty to first-degree manslaughter and was given a five-year suspended sentence.

Source: "Causes of road rage are many," *Tulsa World*, May 21, 2008; "Former security guard pleads guilty to manslaughter," *Tulsa World*, May 29, 2008; "Ex-security guard gets suspended sentence for fatal shooting," *Tulsa World*, July 15, 2008.

Oregon

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** David Raymond Cannon

SUICIDE

Date: April 28, 2019

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On April 28, 2019, concealed handgun permit holder David Raymond Cannon, 56, shot his neighbor Ralph Michael Gigantelli, 53, with a 45-caliber pistol outside their homes in Vancouver, Oregon. Gigantelli was mowing his lawn when Cannon crossed the street and shot him. Cannon then walked up to Gigantelli's porch where he shot and killed himself. Gigantelli, was taken to a local hospital and treated for life-threatening injuries, but ultimately survived the attack. Gigantelli filed a petition for a protective order against Cannon in January 2019 because he claimed Cannon had threatened him in person as well as through texts and voicemails. Cannon also threatened to kill Gigantelli during an altercation at Gigantelli's house when he was not home at the time, but his family members were. Cannon demanded to be let into the residence and began kicking the door when he was told to leave. A sheriff's deputy "defused the situation." Cannon and Gigantelli had been friends, but the two men had a falling out over Gigantelli's contacts with Cannon's wife, who filed for divorce in November 2017. Gigantelli wrote in the petition that he took Cannon's threats seriously and added that Cannon told him that he had once shot a man in Texas, but no charges were filed. The petition also revealed that Cannon owned a large collection of weapons and a stock of ammunition, as well as concealed carry permits in multiple states.

Sources: "Victim in shooting filed for protection order," *columbian.com*, April 29, 2019.

Oregon

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Zachary Brimhall

SUICIDE

Date: August 18-19, 2014

People Killed: 3 (including shooter)

Circumstances: Concealed handgun permit holder Zachary Brimhall, 32, shot and killed his father, Ray Brimhall, on the evening of August 18, 2014, before going on a shooting rampage and killing a stranger who was camping on the beach, and then killing himself. Brimhall's mother said he was "a bit of a loner" who "didn't have many friends, if any," according to the district attorney. Brimhall and his father were both gun collectors and he had been target shooting with his parents earlier that day. After his parents left, Brimhall called his father to say his car had broken down, though this was later proven to be a ruse. When his father arrived, authorities say Brimhall used handguns to shoot him in the head and the chest. Brimhall then drove to a beach campground. Early in the morning of August 19, he opened fire on parked vehicles with a Romanian AK-SAR-1 assault rifle, killing David Jesse Hortman, 43, as he slept in his car. Brimhall then shot himself with a .44 Magnum revolver. Inside his vehicle, police found 10 firearms as well as small explosives. Brimhall also left notes that said: "The only thing that is relevant, however, is that I'm mentally ill, and have been my entire life." He added: "I reached a point where it was either kill myself, or kill a bunch of other people first, and then kill myself. I chose the latter...See you in hell."

Source: "Notes were found in shooter's vehicle," *TheWorldLink.com*, August 22, 2014; "Oregon gunman planned to kill 'bunch' of people," *Associated Press*, August 22, 2014.

Oregon

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Jeffrey Griffin Boyce

SUICIDE

Date: June 21, 2013

People Killed: 2

Circumstances: On June 21, 2013, concealed handgun permit holder Jeffrey Griffin Boyce, 30, hanged himself while being held in the Marin County Jail in California. Boyce, who was from Oregon, had been arrested in California after, as his father described it, “he went running around Northern California with a bunch of guns and pointing them at people,” including a carjacking. When apprehended by police, Boyce had a pistol and an AK-47 assault rifle with him, six 30-round ammunition magazines, hundreds of rounds of ammunition, and a tactical vest. Boyce was also the prime suspect in the April 28, 2013, murder of Kirsten Englund, 57, a retired accountant from Castro Valley, California, who was in Oregon visiting family when she encountered Boyce. According to his mother, Boyce was reportedly on his way to the Russian consulate in San Francisco to seek asylum when he began his California crime spree.

Source: “Slaying suspect hangs himself in Marin jail cell,” *SFGate*, June 24, 2013; “Carjacking, murder suspect on suicide watch,” *www.marinscope.com*, May 8, 2013; “SF-area police arrest North Bend’s Jeffrey Boyce after crime spree,” *theworldlink.com*, April 30, 2013.

Oregon

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Darrell Dean Laffoon

CONVICTED

Date: April 18, 2011

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On April 18, 2011, Phillip Wilson, 31, was reportedly involved in an argument with his brother Preston, 36, when concealed handgun permit holder Darrell Dean Laffoon, 60, tried to break up the fight. During the struggle, Laffoon's gun went off, injuring Preston and killing Phillip. Laffoon was charged with manslaughter, first-degree assault, and unlawful use of a weapon.

UPDATE: In February 2012, Darrell Dean Laffoon was found guilty of second degree assault and unlawful use of a weapon in the shooting of Phillip Wilson, and was sentenced to five years and 10 months in prison. The jury deadlocked on the charge of second degree manslaughter. In September 2012, Laffoon pleaded guilty to the lesser crime of criminally negligent homicide and was sentenced to four years and four months in prison to run simultaneous to his previous prison term.

Source: "Beaverton man pleads guilty to criminally negligent homicide in fatal shooting of his godson," *oregonlive.com*, October 4, 2012; "Brother in accidental Beaverton shooting dies from his injuries," *koinlocal6.com*, April 20, 2011; "Man arrested in Beaverton shooting that injured 2 brothers," *koinlocal6.com*, April 19, 2011.

Oregon

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Kevin Moffett

CONVICTED

Date: January 1, 2011

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On January 1, 2011, concealed handgun permit holder Kevin Moffett, 33, shot and killed Ruben Mata, 32, following an altercation outside a bar early in the morning of New Year's Day. Police said that Moffett was among a group of people asked to leave Club 915 after a fight occurred inside the bar. A short time later, Moffett and Mata, a bouncer at the club, got into an altercation. According to police, Moffett shot and wounded Mata, who was transported to the hospital where he died from his injury. An officer who witnessed the shooting fired a single round at Moffett as he fled the scene. Moffett was later arrested nearby. On January 16, 2013, Moffett was sentenced to 11 years in prison, after he plead no contest to one count of first degree manslaughter for the shooting of Mata.

Source: "Kevin Moffett sentenced to 11 years in prison for shooting, killing, bar employee," *koinlocal6.com*, January 17, 2013; Gunman apologizes for Portland bouncer death, gets 11 years," *kgw.com*, January 17, 2013.

Oregon

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Tyler Smith

CONVICTED

Date: June 10, 2010

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On June 10, 2010, 26-year-old concealed handgun permit holder Tyler Smith shot and killed his friend and fellow concealed handgun permit holder Tyler Baker while play-acting how he would respond to an armed robber. Police say that Smith shot Baker, 26, with a 380 caliber handgun. Smith, who told investigators that he had taken a firearms safety class and knew that guns and alcohol didn't mix, acknowledged that he and Baker had been drinking. Smith was initially charged with negligent homicide. The charges were later upgraded to second-degree manslaughter.

UPDATE: Smith pleaded guilty to criminally negligent homicide for killing Tyler Baker. On December 14, 2010, Smith was sentenced to 120 days in jail and eight months of home arrest, plus five years of probation and 250 hours of community service. In formulating this sentence, rather than the three years in prison that the prosecutor had requested, the judge said that he had to take into account all the circumstances leading up to the shooting—including that each man had a blood-alcohol content of .20 percent and that they were playing with guns. Authorities said the men were practicing drawing their guns as part of a discussion of what they would do if they were held up in a robbery. Baker's mother told Smith if there was one thing he could do for her, it would be to honor her son by spreading awareness about the dangers of alcohol and guns. Baker's wife of less than a year said that she did not forgive Smith and didn't understand how Smith shot her husband after taking the firearms safety class required to obtain his concealed weapons permit.

Source: "Gresham man who shot Portland acquaintance while drinking gets jail time, home arrest," *OregonLive.com*, December 14, 2010; "Gresham man faces manslaughter in shooting death," *StatesmanJournal.com*, June 16, 2010; "Police say Gresham man was play-acting with a loaded gun, showing how he'd stop a robber when he shot his friend," *OregonLive.com*, June 15, 2010.

Oregon

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Joel Kenneth Jensen

CONVICTED

Date: August 7, 2007

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On August 7, 2007, Joel Kenneth Jensen, 29, shot and killed Debbie Davis, 58, following an argument at her home. Jensen and Davis had been having an affair which she reportedly broke off several weeks before the shooting. On the day of the shooting, Jensen went to Davis' home and beat her husband Tim Hardin on the head with a pistol before shooting Davis in the head. Jensen then shot himself in the head but recovered from his injury. Jensen routinely carried a handgun in a fanny pack and had a concealed handgun permit. Jensen's attorney argued that he was suffering from extreme emotional disturbance as a result of the affair, but Jensen was convicted of murder, assault, and burglary in February 2009.

Source: "Albany man arrested for love-triangle murder," *kgw.com*, August 27, 2007; "Murder defendant testifies at trial," *Albany Democrat-Herald*, February 13, 2009; "Jury finds Albany man guilty of murder," *Associated Press*, *kval.com*, February 18, 2009.

Pennsylvania

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Unidentified

PENDING

Date: December 16, 2023

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On December 16, 2023, an unidentified female concealed carry permit holder, 33, allegedly shot and killed Shatara Marell, 30. When officers responded to the scene, they found Marell lying next to a gun with gunshot wounds in the chest and back. On a nearby street corner, a 33-year-old woman told police that she had “engaged in gunfire” with Marell. The victim was taken to the hospital where she was pronounced dead. The 33-year-old woman surrendered her gun to police and was taken in for questioning. Police were investigating the death as a possible road rage incident.

Sources: “Woman surrenders to police after deadly west Philly Shooting: Authorities,” *The Daily Voice*, December 18, 2023; “Police investigating after suspected road rage shooting leaves woman dead,” *6abc.com*, December 17, 2023.

Pennsylvania

■ Concealed Handgun Permit Holder: Derek Escibano

PENDING

Date: April 3, 2023

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On April 3, 2023, concealed handgun permit holder Derek Escibano, 22, allegedly shot and killed Darren Whitfield, 44, in an apparent road rage incident in South Philadelphia. According to video obtained by police, Escibano made a wrong way turn onto Mercy Street and was eventually forced to stop due to a vehicle double parked on the street. Whitfield's vehicle was going the correct direction on the same street. Escibano and Whitfield were observed getting out of their vehicles and Whitfield allegedly chased Escibano on foot. Escibano allegedly fired his weapon several times following the chase, continuing to fire his weapon after Whitfield had fallen to the ground. Escibano's weapon was recovered from his vehicle by police and he was charged with murder, possession of an instrument of crime, and recklessly endangering another person.

Sources: "Man charged with murder for South Philadelphia road rage shooting: DA," *cbsnews.com*, April 6, 2023.

Pennsylvania

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Connor Makstutis

PENDING

Date: March 13, 2023

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On March 13, 2023, concealed handgun permit holder Connor Makstutis, 23, allegedly shot and killed Richard Derkach outside his truck along Banksville Road in Pittsburgh. According to court filings, Derkach got out of his vehicle at the intersection of Banksville Road and Crane Avenue and approached the truck in front of him. According to police, a city-operated camera recorded the incident and showed Derkach, whose hands appeared empty, talking to Makstutis, who was in his truck. According to police the video showed Derkach “swatting towards the vehicle,” before “wincing backwards,” and returning to his van. Derkach later died at the hospital from a gunshot wound to the chest. Makstutis went to police headquarters where a gun was found in his truck. Makstutis was charged with criminal homicide.

Source: “23-year-old man arrested following deadly shooting along Banksville Road,” *CBS Pittsburgh*, March 14, 2023.

Pennsylvania

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Unidentified

PENDING

Date: February 17, 2023

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On February 17, 2023, an unidentified concealed handgun permit holder, allegedly shot and killed a man following a road rage incident over a parking space. According to police, on a rainy morning two men argued over a parking space when one man pulled out a gun and shot the other in West Philadelphia. The victim drove away in his Buick for two blocks before crashing into the side of a business. He later died at a hospital. The shooter was taken into custody a short time after the incident.

Source: "Man dead after road rage incident ends in shooting, crash: police," *cbsnews.com*, February 17, 2023.

Pennsylvania

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Unidentified

UNINTENTIONAL

Date: April 5, 2022

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On April 5, 2022, an unidentified four-year-old girl was killed by a gun fired inside a parked car at the Eagle Save Mart gas station in Chester. According to investigators, the girl's two-year-old brother was handling the gun inside the car while it was parked at a gas pump when it fired, striking and killing the girl. The girl's father and a friend were with the children, and the gun was registered to the friend, a concealed handgun permit holder. The adults took the girl to the hospital where she was pronounced dead.

Source: "Chester police: Girl, 4, shot dead by 2-year-old brother," [delcotimes.com](https://delcotimes.com/news/chester-police-girl-4-shot-dead-by-2-year-old-brother), April 6, 2022

Pennsylvania

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Za Uk Lian

SUICIDE

Date: April 21, 2021

People Killed: 2 (including shooter)

Circumstances: On April 21, 2021, concealed handgun permit holder Za Uk Lian, 45, shot and killed Ramon Ramirez, 31, before turning the gun on himself. Shortly before 5:00 AM Lian shot at a woman on Route 22 in Upper Macungie Township. The woman was not injured. Lian then pulled into a Wawa parking lot and shot and wounded a man in a Jeep before shooting and killing Ramirez as he was pumping gas. Lian then shot and killed himself. According to District Attorney Jim Martin, Lian purchased a .40 pistol legally in January 2021 and applied for a concealed carry permit in February, which he received in March.

Source: "Gunman in Lehigh Valley shooting spree had concealed carry permit, district attorney says," *6abc.com*, April 22, 2021.

Pennsylvania

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Abdullah Ibn El-Amin Jaamia

CONVICTED

Date: September 28, 2020

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On September 28, 2020, concealed handgun permit holder Abdullah Ibn El-Amin Jaamia, 38, allegedly shot and killed Mia Green, a 29-year-old transgender woman following a fight in his vehicle. Officers stopped El-Amin Jaamia's Jeep Wrangler after he drove through a stop sign. El-Amin Jaamia got out of the Jeep and told the officers that his passenger had been shot. Officers allowed El-Amin Jaamia to drive Green to the hospital where she was later pronounced dead. According to police, the shooting occurred shortly before the traffic stop. El-Amin Jaamia and Green fought and he grabbed a gun that was lodged between the driver's seat and center console and allegedly fired three times. Green was shot in the back of the neck, left arm, and left side. Police are still searching for the .22 revolver used in the shooting. El-Amin Jaamia was charged with murder, possession of an instrument of crime, obstructing justice, and tampering with evidence.

UPDATE: In August 2022, Abdullah Ibn El-Amin Jaamia was convicted of third degree murder in the death of Mia Green. In March 2023, El-Amin Jaamia was sentenced to 17 and a half to 35 years in prison.

Source: "Philly man facing prison sentence for 2020 shooting death of Tracy 'Mia' Green, *audacy.com*, March 3, 2023; "Philly man argued with a transgender woman before killing her, police say," *inquirer.com*, September 30, 2020.

Pennsylvania

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Michael J. D’Biagio

CONVICTED

Date: July 19, 2019

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On July 19, 2019, concealed handgun permit holder Michael J. D’Biagio, 41, allegedly shot and killed Darren Scott Jevcak, 17, outside in the parking lot of Scustie’s Pizza Shop where Jevcak worked. Jevcak was the boyfriend of D’Biagio’s daughter, and D’Biagio blamed Jevcak for his daughter’s alleged drug use. According to New Castle Police Chief Robert Salem, in the days leading up to the shooting D’Biagio learned his daughter had smoked marijuana with Jevcak and also once did something she believed to be cocaine in Jevcak’s presence. According to the criminal complaint, D’Biagio confessed to shooting Jevcak “five or six times.” The complaint also stated, “He realized he had shot Jevcak in the arm and Jevcak went down to the ground. D’Biagio said he shot Jevcak (again) so that he could put (him) out of his misery because (he) looked to be in shock.” D’Biagio was charged with criminal homicide and aggravated assault.

UPDATE: In December 2023, Michael D’Biagio was convicted of criminal homicide and sentenced to life in prison.

Source: “Dad gets life in prison for shooting daughter’s boyfriend,” *wkbn.com*, December 7, 2023; “Homicide charge against North Sewickley Township man moves to Lawrence County Court,” *Ellwood City Ledger*, August 7, 2019; “Pennsylvania father ‘overreacted’ about teen daughter trying drugs, charged with killing her boyfriend,” *New York Daily News*, July 23, 2019.

Pennsylvania

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Brian Allen Martin

CONVICTED

Date: May 5, 2019

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On May 5, 2019, concealed handgun permit holder Brian Allen Martin, 35, allegedly shot and killed an unidentified 42-year-old man at Cully's Bar in Ridgway, Pennsylvania. Police responded to Cully's Bar around 2:15 A.M. after receiving a report of shots fired. When officers arrived at the bar, they found Martin detained by another man with a Ruger 9mm handgun at his feet. When police entered the bar, they found a man lying on the floor with gunshot wounds to the chest. The man was taken to the hospital where he later died. Martin claimed he acted in self defense, saying the victim struck him several times in the head so he grabbed his handgun from the back of his waistband and began firing. Martin was charged with criminal homicide, discharge of a firearm into an occupied structure, and reckless endangerment.

UPDATE: In February 2020, Brian Marin was found guilty of third degree murder and recklessly endangering another person.

Source: "Mixed verdict for Ridgway barroom shooting case," *bradfordera.com*, February 3, 2020; "Johnsonburg man charged in Ridgway shooting heads to Elk County Court," *thecourierexpress.com*, July 18, 2019; "Man arrested in deadly bar shooting," *wearecentralpa.com*, May 7, 2019.

Pennsylvania

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Jordan Witmer

SUICIDE

Date: January 24, 2019

People Killed: 4 (including shooter)

Circumstances: On January 24, 2019, concealed handgun permit holder Jordan Witmer, 21, fatally shot Dean Beachy, 61, and his son Steven Beachy, 19, at P.J. Harrigan's Bar and Grill at the Ramada Inn in State College, Pennsylvania. The Beachys, auctioneers from Ohio, were visiting for a horse auction and had attempted to intervene when Witmer and his former girlfriend, Nicole Abrino, 21, were arguing. Abrino was also shot by Witmer, but survived the attack. After fleeing the scene and crashing his car roughly a mile away, Witmer then shot through a sliding glass door of a nearby house. Once inside, he shot and killed George McCormick, 82, before killing himself. His wife, also home at the time, called the police after hiding in a locked room. It was the night of the McCormicks' 60th wedding anniversary. It was later determined that Witmer had pled guilty to three misdemeanors related to a drunk driving crash just 10 days before the shootings.

Sources: "Details emerge about shooting rampage near Penn State," *tucsonnewsnow.com*, January 26, 2019; "Vigil to be held for victims of State College shooting," *wjactv.com*, January 26, 2019; "Fatal State College shootings: The timeline, the victims, the shooter and more," *pennlive.com*, January 26, 2019.

Pennsylvania

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Danishka Jaileen Otero-Velez

CONVICTED

Date: November 5, 2018

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On November 5, 2018, concealed carry permit holder Danishka Jaileen Otero-Velez allegedly shot and killed Raniel Angel Natera with a 9mm handgun in Reading, Pennsylvania. According to officials, Otero-Velez and Natera were arguing outside a building when Otero-Velez reportedly shot Natera. When police arrived, Natera was lying on his back with a gunshot wound to the chest. Otero-Velez reportedly told a witness that Natera had cheated on her and fathered a child, adding that police would know that she was the killer because she used her own gun. After providing them with a false name and information, she was escorted by police from the crime scene and left the area. Police are now searching for her.

UPDATE: In December 2018, Otero-Velez was captured in Miami, Florida by U.S. Marshals. On February 21, 2019, Otero-Velez was transported back to Pennsylvania following extradition proceedings. She was held without bail on first and third degree murder charges and was also accused of witness intimidation and making terroristic threats.

UPDATE: In September 2021, Danishka Jaileen Otero-Velez was found guilty of first degree murder in the death of Raniel Angel Natera. She faces a mandatory sentence of life in prison without the possibility of parole.

Sources: "Berks woman found guilty in 2018 killing of boyfriend," *wfmz.com*, September 8, 2021; "Reading woman extradited from Florida to face murder charges in slaying near City Park," *readingeagle.com*, February 22, 2019; "Reading police searching for woman in connection with shooting," *wfmz.com*, November 9, 2018.

Pennsylvania

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Robert Bowers

CONVICTED

Date: October 27, 2018

People Killed: 11

Circumstances: On October 27, 2018, concealed handgun permit holder Robert Bowers, 46, allegedly opened fire at the Tree of Life synagogue in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania during Saturday-morning services, killing 11 people and injuring six, including four law enforcement officers. Bowers, who was armed with a Colt AR-15 assault rifle and three Glock pistols, was wounded and captured by police. Upon his capture, he told a SWAT officer, “I just want to kill Jews.” Bowers faces at least 23 state charges including homicide, attempted homicide, and aggravated assault against police officers, as well as an additional 29 federal charges of hate crimes and civil rights violations.

UPDATE: In June 2023, Robert Bowers was convicted of killing 11 Jewish worshippers at a Pittsburgh synagogue. In August 2023, he was sentenced to death for his crimes.

Sources: Sentencing hearing record, *United States v. Robert Bowers*, August 3, 2023, accessed on PACER; Jury Verdict Form, *United States v. Robert Bowers*, June 16, 2023, accessed on PACER; “Pittsburgh synagogue shooting: What we know, questions that remain,” *USA Today*, October 29, 2018; “‘They showed his photo, and my stomach just dropped’: Neighbors recall synagogue massacre suspect as a loner,” *washingtonpost.com*, October 28, 2018; “What to know about Pittsburgh synagogue shooting suspect Robert Bowers,” *time.com*, October 28, 2018; “Grieving Pittsburgh Mourns Victims of Synagogue Attack,” *Wall Street Journal*, October 28, 2018.

Pennsylvania

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Ashley Croft

PENDING

Date: October 18, 2018

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On October 18, 2018, concealed handgun permit holder Ashley Croft, 35, allegedly shot and killed her cousin John Smail, 31 at her apartment. According to the complaint, Cross told detectives, “I shot my cousin...I was high today and I was out of it.” Croft allegedly told detectives she was high on marijuana. According to police, Croft and Smail had “some type of verbal back and forth...and she felt for some reason her life was in danger, according to her statements, and she fired three times at the individual, striking him three times.” Smail was shot in the abdomen, shoulder, and neck with a Glock 9mm pistol, and died at the scene. Croft was charged with criminal homicide.

Source: “Woman accused of fatally shooting cousin at Vandergrift apartment,” *pittsburgh.cbslocal.com*, October 19, 2018; “Police say Vandergrift woman admitted to killing her cousin Thursday night,” *triblive.com*, October 18, 2018.

Pennsylvania

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Kyle Cohawitz

SUICIDE

Date: February 25, 2018

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On February 25, 2018, concealed handgun permit holder Kyle Cohawitz, 28, killed himself after a seven-hour standoff with police. Earlier, Cohawitz had punched another patron at Bigsy's Bar & Grill before being removed from the premises. Once outside, Cohawitz fired rounds through the wall of the bar, wounding insurance agent Anthony DiBileo, 54, who was out to dinner with his wife and was not involved in the original altercation. Cohawitz eventually took his own life in the basement of his home, just a few blocks from the bar. Cohawitz had received his concealed carry permit the prior October, despite a criminal history that included drunkenly attempting to steal a cell phone and kicking an officer in the chest in 2011, being wanted on charges of criminal mischief in 2016, and being charged for escape after leaving court-ordered rehab in 2016. On the final charge, a felony, Cohawitz pleaded guilty to a lesser misdemeanor charge.

Source: "Scranton shooting victim remains critical, but stable," www.citizensvoice.com, February 27, 2018.

Pennsylvania

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Joseph Howanski

CONVICTED

Date: November 28, 2017

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On November 28, 2017, concealed handgun permit holder Joseph Howanski, 24, allegedly shot and killed Merlos Mukaj, 21, after intervening in an argument between Mukaj and his girlfriend. According to witnesses, Mukaj and his 22-year-old girlfriend were having a heated argument along the 3500 block of Lancaster Avenue. According to a witness, Mukaj started to walk away when he was confronted by Howanski. The two got into an argument and pushed each other before Howanski allegedly pulled a gun and fired three times, killing Mukaj. As Lt. John Walker explained, “We have a male who’s armed with a gun and a permit to carry, for some reason intervenes in the situation, and at some point pulls his gun and fires three shots into the victim.” Howanski was charged with murder and related offenses.

UPDATE: On October 5, 2018, Joseph Howanski was found guilty of voluntary manslaughter, possession of an instrument of crime, and reckless endangerment for the killing of Merlos Mukai. On January 7, 2019, Howanski was sentenced to three to six years in prison.

Source: *Commonwealth of Pennsylvania v. Joseph Howanski*, Court of Common Pleas of Philadelphia County, ujportal.pacourts.us; “Howanski guilty on three counts,” *The Triangle*, October 19, 2018; Police charge Drexel grad with murder after man killed near campus,” *6abc.com*, November 29, 2017; “Man shot dead following argument near Drexel University,” philadelphia.cbslocal.com, November 29, 2017.

Pennsylvania

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Jeanette Wakefield

CONVICTED

Date: September 27, 2017

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On September 27, 2017, concealed handgun permit holder Jeanette Wakefield, 37, allegedly shot and killed her boyfriend, Terry Corrigan IV, 33, with a 9mm handgun outside her apartment. According to police, the shooting occurred at about 3:20 AM in the hallway outside Wakefield's apartment. Homicide Captain John Ryan stated that Corrigan was trying to get back into Wakefield's apartment when she opened the door and allegedly shot him in the face before calling 911. Wakefield's two children ages nine and 10 were in the apartment at the time. Wakefield was charged with murder and possession of an instrument of crime.

UPDATE: On July 3, 2019, Jeanette Wakefield was convicted of voluntary manslaughter and possession of an instrument of crime in the death of Terry Corrigan. In October 2019, Wakefield was sentenced to three and one-half to seven years in prison.

Sources: "Woman sentenced to 3 ½ to 7 years in slaying of boyfriend," *local21news.com*, October 5, 2019; "Ex-Center City real estate agent convicted of voluntary manslaughter in killing of boyfriend," *inquirer.com*, July 3, 2019; "Real estate agent shot boyfriend 'in self-defense'," *philly.com*, September 30, 2017.

Pennsylvania

■ **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** David Desper

CONVICTED

Date: June 28, 2017

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On June 28, 2017, concealed handgun permit holder David Desper, 28, allegedly shot and killed Bianca Roberson, 18, as they both attempted to merge into the same lane on Route 100, a two-lane highway in West Goshen, Pennsylvania which merges into one lane. Police described the murder as a “road rage incident.” As Roberson and Desper jockeyed for position, Desper pulled out a 40 caliber Smith & Wesson handgun and shot Roberson in the left side of her head from his red pickup truck, instantly killing her. Desper had legally purchased the gun in November 2015. Desper turned himself in to local law enforcement on July 2, 2017, and was charged with first and third degree murder, possession of an instrument of crime, and reckless endangering. Online court records revealed that Desper was involved in eight cases involving traffic violations in 2014 and 2015. After the arrest, District Attorney Tom Hogan stated, “This is the story of a savage and senseless murder. Someone didn’t want her to merge into a lane of traffic.”

UPDATE: On September 5, 2018, David Desper pled guilty to third degree murder in the death of Bianca Roberson. Desper faces a maximum sentence of 20 to 40 years in prison.

Sources: “Delco man pleads guilty in ‘road rage’ murder of Bianca Roberson,” *dailylocal.com*, September 5, 2018; “Accused road rage killer’s friends shocked by his arrest,” *Delaware County Daily Times*, July 3, 2017; “David Desper: 5 Fast Facts You Need to Know,” *heavy.com*, July 2, 2017.

Pennsylvania

■ Concealed Handgun Permit Holder: Timothy Demeritt

SHOT AND KILLED DURING INCIDENT

Date: April 9, 2017

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On April 9, 2017, concealed handgun permit holder Timothy Demeritt, 22, was shot and killed with his own gun by Alexander Murray, 19. According to police, Murray admitted to pointing the gun at Demeritt to intimidate him during an argument, and pulled the trigger mistakenly believing that the safety was on. Demeritt died from a single gunshot wound to the forehead. According to Murray's defense attorney, the gun belonged to Demeritt, who had recently purchased it legally. Murray was charged with criminal homicide.

UPDATE: On November 8, 2017, Alexander Murray pleaded guilty to third degree murder in the death of concealed handgun permit holder Timothy Demeritt.

Sources: "Man pleads guilty to shooting friend; says he thought gun safety was on," *pennlive.com*, November 8, 2017; "Man to stand trial in fatal shooting of his friend in Brecknock Township," *lancasteronline.com*, April 21, 2017.

Pennsylvania

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Damien L. Ditz

CONVICTED

Date: March 1, 2017

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On March 1, 2017, concealed handgun permit holder Damien L. Ditz, 22, shot and killed his girlfriend, Katrina Seaburn, 22, with a Glock pistol in a trailer park near Lake Lucy in Clarion County, Pennsylvania. Ditz initially claimed that the pistol slid off the dashboard of his vehicle, hit the center console, and fired, killing Seaburn. Ditz later stated that he had caught the gun sliding off the dashboard and it unintentionally fired. He eventually told police that he and Seaburn were having an argument over money, that he had picked up the gun to put it in the back seat, and when he was gesturing with it the weapon fired unintentionally. Seaburn, shot in the chest, died almost immediately. After emergency responders arrived, one of Ditz's cousins, Jennifer Graham, found Ditz next to a nearby tree. "He was vomiting, pulling grass out, screaming 'It should have been me,'" Graham said. Police found Ditz's concealed weapons permit on the floor of the car. Ditz had borrowed the gun from his cousin, Dustin Hoffman, who had purchased the gun from a state trooper who was retiring. The trooper had obtained the gun through a program that allows state police to purchase their guns when they are retired from service. Ditz was charged with first degree murder, with prosecutors arguing that he and Seaburn had been in a dispute over money and that the shooting was intentional. On December 7, 2018, Ditz was found guilty of third-degree murder. He was also found guilty of aggravated assault, simple assault, and recklessly endangering another person. In January 2019, Ditz was sentenced to 10 to 20 years in state prison. He was also given a one to two year sentence for aggravated assault with a deadly weapon to run concurrently.

Sources: "Ditz receives 10-20 years state term in murder of Curwensville woman," *theprogressnews.com*, January 23, 2019; "Jury finds Ditz guilty of third degree murder," *theprogressnews.com*, December 8, 2018; "First Day of Ditz Murder Trial Cut Short After Defendant Has 'Medical Emergency,'" *exploreclearion.com*, December 5, 2018.

Pennsylvania

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Derek Vasos

CONVICTED

Date: February 5, 2017

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On February 5, 2017, concealed handgun permit holder Derek Vasos, 38, shot and killed Donald Ketter Jr., 28, from an Uber in which Vasos was a passenger. According to prosecutors, Vasos left the after-hours Carrick Literary Club just before 3:00 AM and ordered a ride via the Uber app. As the Uber drove off it was blocked by Ketter, who was walking down the middle of the narrow road. Vasos, sitting in the front passenger seat, leaned over and honked the horn from inside the vehicle and the two men exchanged words before Ketter moved to the side of the road. As the Uber drove past, Vasos pulled his .380 pistol and fired one shot, striking Ketter. Vasos yelled at the driver, "Drive! Go!," and the driver drove the car around for 10 minutes as Vasos removed the gun's ammunition magazine and a round from the chamber and then threw them out the window. As he got out of the car, Vasos ran his finger across his throat and said, "You didn't see anything, right?" The Uber driver located a police officer and told him what had happened and Vasos was arrested the next day. On October 30, 2017, Vasos was found guilty of third-degree murder.

Source: "Derek Vasos found guilty of 3rd-degree murder for firing fatal bullet from inside an Uber," *Pittsburgh Post-Gazette*, October 30, 2017; "Homicide trial of Pittsburgh Uber passenger elicits conflicting accounts," *Pittsburgh Post-Gazette*, October 24, 2017.

Pennsylvania

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Unidentified

PENDING

Date: January 20, 2016

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On January 20, 2016, an unidentified concealed handgun permit holder, 26, allegedly shot and killed his female cousin, 37, in a dispute over a house in West Philadelphia. According to police, the 37-year-old woman was the owner of the house but the 26-year-old had been living there and refused to leave. The two had been arguing for several months. On the day of the shooting, the woman borrowed a neighbor's cordless drill and attempted to screw the front door of the house shut. The 26-year-old allegedly fired at least 11 shots, striking the woman twice in the head. She was pronounced dead at the hospital. The 26-year-old was arrested at the scene.

Source: "Woman, 37, shot to death in Powelton; cousin arrested," *philly.com*, January 20, 2016.

Pennsylvania

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Mark Storms

CONVICTED

Date: April 24, 2016

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On April 24, 2016, concealed handgun permit holder Mark Storms, 46, allegedly shot and killed Robert E. Braxton III, 27, at the Keystone Fellowship Church during a Sunday morning worship service. As reported by witnesses to police, Braxton became “verbally disruptive and agitated” during the service when a fellow churchgoer touched him on the shoulder and told him he was in a reserved seat. A church usher and associate pastor intervened and allowed Braxton to remain in the seat. After hearing the commotion, Storms approached Braxton, displayed his concealed weapons permit badge, and told him to leave the church. Braxton then struck Storms in the face and Storms allegedly fired two rounds from his Ruger 9mm pistol killing Braxton. Storms claimed he acted in self-defense, but according to the Montgomery County District Attorney, this “was not a reasonable self-defense situation.” The District Attorney stated, “This is a situation where a gun is introduced into a fistfight. The victim has no weapon upon him.” According to court papers, Braxton “arrived at the service only armed with his Bible,” while Storms attended the service “armed with his loaded Ruger LC9 9mm semi-automatic handgun.” Storms was charged with voluntary manslaughter and reckless endangerment.

UPDATE: On November 3, 2016, Mark Storms was found guilty of voluntary manslaughter and reckless endangerment in the shooting death of Robert Braxton III.

UPDATE: On April 18, 2017, Mark Storms was sentenced to 10 to 20 years in prison for the shooting death of Robert Braxton III.

Source: “Man gets 10 to 20 years in Pennsylvania church shooting,” *www.mcall.com*, April 18, 2017; “Man convicted in deadly shooting during Sunday services,” *abcnews.com*, November 4, 2016; “Arrest made in Philly church shooting,” *baptistnews.com*, April 29, 2016.

Pennsylvania

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Patricia Lynn Katchur

CONVICTED

Date: June 12, 2015

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On May 13, 2015, concealed handgun permit holder Patricia Lynn Katchur, 55, allegedly shot and killed her husband, Christopher Katchur, 52, in the couple's house, just two and a half hours after he had obtained a Protection-From-Abuse order. According to news reports, Patricia Lynn Katchur went to their shared home with her sister and two guns. Her husband was not home and because he had changed the locks, she pulled out a first-floor window air conditioner and crawled inside. She then fell asleep having taken a sleeping pill. She woke up two hours later when her husband returned home. The two then got into an argument, and when Katchur told his wife that he was going to call the police she went upstairs to retrieve one of her guns, a .38 revolver. She came back downstairs and allegedly fatally shot her husband on the front porch. In filing the protective order, Christopher Katchur had noted that his wife had a concealed carry permit and that she possessed two guns, stating, "I am in fear that if I stay while she is in a comotose [sic] state who knows what she is capable of doing to me or herself." After the shooting, the judge who had granted the protection order stated that it was a "red flag" when the subject of such a measure had a firearm.

UPDATE: On January 23, 2017, Patricia Lynn Katchur pleaded guilty to third degree murder in the death of her husband, and was sentenced to 15 to 30 years in prison.

Source: *Commonweath of Pennsylvania v. Patricia Lynn Katchur*, Court of Common Pleas of Allegheny County, Docket Number: CP-02-CR-0007076-2015; "McKeesport woman charged with killing husband hours after he gets restraining order," *Pittsburgh Post-Gazette*, May 14, 2015.

Pennsylvania

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Steven Outlaw

SUICIDE

Date: March 8, 2015

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On March 8, 2015, concealed handgun permit holder Steven Outlaw, 53, shot his neighbor Mary Pitts-Devine, 46. Outlaw confronted Pitts-Devine in the stairwell of their apartment building in West Philadelphia. During the argument, Outlaw pulled out a gun and shot Pitts-Devine eight times in the torso at point-blank range. He then went to his apartment and fatally shot himself in the head. Outlaw had no criminal record according to news reports, but had previously falsely accused Pitts-Devine of flooding his apartment and wiretapping his phone. Pitts-Devine was sent to the hospital in critical condition.

Source: "Police sources: Feud with neighbor ends in shooting, suicide," *Philadelphia Daily News*, March 13, 2015.

Pennsylvania

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Herbert Hart

CONVICTED

Date: October 11, 2014

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On October 14, 2014, concealed handgun permit holder Herbert Hart, 26, shot and killed his fiancée's ex-boyfriend Robert Wilson, 35, when Wilson attempted to visit his daughter at Hart's home. According to prosecutors in the case, when Wilson showed up at Hart's home, Hart was "filled with anger toward Mr. Wilson." According to witnesses, Wilson raised his arms with his hands open, backed away from his daughter's mother, and said he meant no disrespect by coming to the house. Hart responded that Wilson disrespected them by being on his property and shot Wilson once in the upper chest. After the shooting, Hart claimed that Wilson threatened him and that he was acting in self defense. On June 26, 2015, Hart was found guilty of third degree murder and faces a maximum of 40 years in prison.

Source: "Homewood man found guilty of third-degree murder in shooting at his home," *Pittsburgh Post-Gazette*, June 26, 2015; "Testimony begins in trial of man accused in fatal shooting in Homewood," *Pittsburgh Post-Gazette*, June 23, 2015.

Pennsylvania

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Tyrell Styles

SUICIDE

Date: July 26, 2014

People Killed: 2 (including shooter)

Circumstances: On July 26, 2014, concealed handgun permit holder Tyrell Styles, 26, shot and killed his five-year-old son Cion Styles, and wounded the boy's mother, Sheyma Washington, before shooting himself in the head. According to police, Tyrell Styles shot Cion in the head and Washington in the face and buttocks outside as apartment building before fleeing in a white Pontiac Grand Prix. A few minutes later, police observed his car running red lights and crashing into a pickup truck before continuing with police in pursuit. The car turned onto a dead end street and as officers approached the stopped vehicle Styles shot himself in the head.

Source: "Police: Dad fatally shoots 5-year-old son; turns gun on boy's mother, self," *philly.com*, July 29, 2014.

Pennsylvania

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Matthew Morales

CONVICTED

Date: June 21, 2014

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On June 21, 2014, concealed handgun permit holder Matthew Morales shot and killed Xavier Garriga following an argument at a Turkey Hill convenience store. According to a store employee, the argument began inside the store when Garriga made a comment about the gold necklace that Morales was wearing. Morales responded by telling him to mind his own business. The conversation escalated with both men raising their voices and Morales saying they could take it outside to settle things. Eventually, Morales left the store while Garriga stayed inside to purchase nachos. When Garriga left the store, the two men exchanged additional words in the parking lot, before Garriga eventually walked away, left the parking lot on foot, and crossed the street. Morales pumped gas into his car before leaving along with one passenger in the car. According to the passenger, after they drove out of the parking lot and turned right, Morales slowed down as he approached a bridge and put his window down. The passenger testified that he heard three shots and saw Morales holding a black .40 gun in his right hand. Garriga was found shot and bleeding, barely breathing before he died. His cause of death was a gunshot wound to the chest. In February 2016, Morales was found guilty of first degree murder and was sentenced to a mandatory term of life in prison without the possibility of parole. Morales appealed the verdict but in September 2016 the appeal was denied.

Source: *Commonwealth v. Morales*, 2016 Pa Dist. & Cnty. Dec. LEXIS 15533.

Pennsylvania

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Kylie Marie Sage

SHOT AND KILLED DURING INCIDENT

Date: August 11, 2013

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On August 11, 2013, concealed handgun permit holder Kylie Marie Sage, 23, was unintentionally shot and killed with her own gun by her cousin, Jeremy Hamborsky, 24. According to the victim's family, Sage was sitting in a pickup truck with a friend along with Hamborsky and his girlfriend. According to police, Sage handed the handgun to Hamborsky, telling him that it wasn't loaded. Hamborsky moved the pistol's slide and the gun went off, killing Sage. A family friend said that Sage believed in self-protection. Hamborsky was charged with involuntary manslaughter and was freed on bond.

Source: "Connellsville man jailed after accidentally shooting cousin with her new gun," *wtae.com*, August 12, 2013.

Pennsylvania

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Isiah Smith

CONVICTED

Date: August 3, 2013

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On August 3, 2013, concealed handgun permit holder Isiah Smith, 23, shot and killed Zachary Sheridan, 24, following a fight. Surveillance cameras near the scene showed Sheridan punching Smith and striking a woman before Smith pulled out a handgun and fired at Sheridan while Sheridan was running away. Smith testified that he was acting in self-defense. According to the judge in the case, a defendant must reasonably believe they are in danger for a self-defense plea to hold merit. The judge said that while Smith may have felt threatened, this wasn't reasonable since Sheridan was fleeing when the shots were fired. Before rendering his verdict the judge stated, "What is certain is that the defendant brought a pistol to a fist fight, a fist fight in which there was almost certainly a consumption of a significant amount of alcohol." Manning found Smith guilty of voluntary manslaughter which could carry a sentence of up to 20 years.

Source: "Judge delivers verdict in Forbes Avenue shooting," *The Pitt News*, April 7, 2014.

Pennsylvania

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Lawrence Jeffries

CONVICTED

Date: January 1, 2013

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On January 1, 2013, concealed handgun permit holder Lawrence Jeffries, 23, shot and killed Stephen Johnson, 22, and wounded Kyle Morris and Kashief Butler, both 22, after a fight at a New Year's party. The shootings occurred at approximately 3:30 AM when a fight started after one person stepped on another's shoe. Jeffries claimed that after Johnson swung at him and he saw one of his friends being punched and kicked, he fired in self defense, using a 40 caliber pistol he had purchased a week earlier as a Christmas gift for himself. On November 3, 2014, Jeffries was found guilty of third-degree murder and other related charges. He faces up to 50 years in prison.

Source: "Glenside man convicted in New Year's party slaying," *Philadelphia Inquirer*, November 4, 2014.

Pennsylvania

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** William Allabaugh

CONVICTED

Date: September 9, 2012

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On September 9, 2012, concealed handgun permit holder William Allabaugh, 24, “described as an unemployed loner with a fascination for guns, simply flipped out and started firing his semi-automatic pistol after being asked to leave the [Bonnie’s Food and Spirits] bar because customers complained he was armed....” By the time the shooting was over, Allabaugh allegedly had shot and killed one innocent bystander and wounded another before being shot and injured by a second concealed handgun permit holder, Mark Ktytor, 35. Allabaugh had been asked to leave the bar twice after customers complained that he was armed. Having already been warned for making racial slurs, Allabaugh was approached by bar employee Bob Wallace, who, acting on a customer’s complaint, asked Allabaugh if he was armed. Allabaugh stated that he wasn’t. Soon after, another customer complained that Allabaugh was armed, stating that he saw his gun. When Wallace instructed Allabaugh to leave the bar, Allabaugh shot patron Stephen Hollman, 29, who had been sitting next to Allabaugh but had not interacted with him, in the head with a .380 pistol. After leaving the bar, Allabaugh then opened fire again, fatally hitting patron Scott Luzetsky, 39, as he was fleeing the bar to return to his home a few blocks away. Allabaugh was then shot by Ktytor multiple times. According to news reports, Allabaugh had been discharged from the U.S. Air Force and had “an obsession with guns and ammunition” with “[n]early every post and photo” on his Facebook page profile involving guns. His lone listed interest was “AK-47.” Allabaugh had no criminal history, not even a traffic ticket. Allabaugh was charged in an arraignment held at his hospital bedside with criminal homicide and attempted homicide.

UPDATE: On October 15, 2013, William Allabaugh pleaded guilty to third-degree murder and attempted murder. As part of the plea agreement, Allabaugh will serve 25 to 50 years in prison.

Source: “Man pleads guilty to Plymouth shootings,” *citizensvoice.com*, October 16, 2013; “Plymouth shooting suspect charged in hospital,” *citizensvoice.com*, September 13, 2012; “Police: Plymouth shooter wasn’t provoked,” *citizensvoice.com*, September 12, 2012.

Pennsylvania

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Kevin M. Cleeves

CONVICTED

Date: July 27, 2012

People Killed: 3

Circumstances: On July 27, 2012, concealed handgun permit holder Kevin M. Cleeves, 35, allegedly shot and killed his wife, Brandi N. (Killingsworth) Cleeves, 25, her boyfriend, Vincent Luke Santucci, Jr., 28, and Rosemary Holma (Santucci's mother), 55, in the driveway of the home that Santucci shared with his mother. Cleeves had apparently gotten into an argument with the victims while meeting them to pick up his daughter. Cleeves then reportedly fled with his four-year-old daughter, Leia. He was captured seven hours later in a Youngstown, OH, suburb. A Glock handgun was found in his car. Cleeves' carry permit listed "self-defense" as his reason to carry and the permit had been renewed on February 22. Cleeves was charged with three counts of criminal homicide and additional charges.

UPDATE: On May 10, 2013, Kevin M. Cleeves pleaded guilty to three counts of first-degree murder and was sentenced to three consecutive life sentences without parole. He was also required to pay \$1,500 in fines and \$30,869.46 in restitution.

Source: "Triple murderer Kevin Cleeves gets life without parole," *therecordherald.com*, May 11, 2013; "Three life sentences, no chance for parole for Kevin Cleeves in Quincy Killings," *Chambersburg Public Opinion*, undated; "Man charged in Quincy triple slaying returned to Pa. From Ohio," *herald-mail.com*, August 6, 2012; "Update: Additional Charges brought against Kevin Cleeves," *fox43.com*, July 28, 2012.

Pennsylvania

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Andrew Gesslein II

CONVICTED

Date: April 29, 2012

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: In the early morning of April 29, 2012, concealed handgun permit holder Andrew Gesslein II, 42, shot and killed Michael M. Randolph, 23, with a handgun. Gesslein was working as a security guard at the back entrance of the North End Republican Club, a private “after hours” club in Allentown. Gesslein told police that Randolph and two friends repeatedly tried to gain access to the club, which he would not allow. At one point Randolph and his friends threatened Gesslein, and he and Randolph eventually got into a struggle. Gesslein stated that as Randolph and his friends were starting to head toward the exit, however, Randolph stopped, turned around, and reached into his waistband. Gesslein then opened fire, hitting Randolph in the back, abdomen, and right thigh, killing him. After a six-week investigation, authorities stated that Randolph had no weapon nor did he pretend to have one. Although he was working as a security guard, Gesslein was not authorized to be armed. Gesslein was charged with voluntary manslaughter and sent to prison without bail. If convicted he would face 10 to 20 years in prison.

UPDATE: On April 4, 2013, a jury found Andrew Gesslein II guilty of voluntary manslaughter in the death of Michael Randolph, rejecting his claim of acting in self-defense. The doctor who performed the autopsy on Randolph testified that Randolph’s bullet wounds were consistent with the prosecution’s theory that Randolph was hunched forward and running away from Gesslein when he was shot. The doctor testified that Randolph was shot in the right abdomen from the side, in the back, and in the back of his right leg. Gesslein was sentenced to five to 10 years in prison.

UPDATE: On November 8, 2013, a judge vacated Gesslein’s voluntary manslaughter conviction and granted him a new trial. On November 12, 2013, the Lehigh County District Attorney’s Office filed an appeal of the judge’s ruling, sending the case to Superior Court. On June 16, 2014, Gesslein had bail set at \$250,000 while he awaits the appeal of the order which would grant him a new trial.

UPDATE: On December 8, 2014, a state appeals court ruled that Gesslein’s voluntary manslaughter conviction should be restored, but that his five to 10 year prison sentence was illegal, and ordered the case back to Lehigh County for a new sentence.

Source: “Court restores conviction of security guard in club shooting,” *The Morning Call*, December 9, 2014; “Judge OKs bail in rapper’s death,” *The Morning Call*, June 18, 2014; “Former club bouncer still in prison, even though judge tossed conviction,” *The Morning Call*, March 17, 2014; “Guard jailed for killing rapper appeals conviction,” *The Morning Call*, June 20, 2013; “Jury convicts North End Republican Club guard of voluntary manslaughter,” *The Morning Call*, April 5, 2013; “Security guard charged with manslaughter in Allentown club killing,” *The Morning Call*, June 7, 2012.

Pennsylvania

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Robert Jones

CONVICTED

Date: April 28, 2012

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On April 28, 2012, concealed handgun permit holder Robert Jones, 36, allegedly shot and killed Sandra Smith, 35. Jones was allegedly showing off what he thought was an unloaded gun in his home when the gun went off striking Smith in the face and killing her. Jones had taken gun-safety classes to be certified as an armed security guard, a job he was set to begin the day after the shooting incident. Jones had a concealed handgun permit issued from the state of Florida. Jones was charged with third-degree murder, involuntary manslaughter, endangering another person, and weapons charges.

UPDATE: Robert Jones was found guilty of involuntary manslaughter in the death of Sandra Smith.

Source: Tweet from the Philadelphia District Attorney's Office, April 5, 2013; "Man showing off gun is charged in shooting death," *philly.com*, April 29, 2012.

Pennsylvania

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Roger Riera

CONVICTED

Date: September 18, 2011

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On September 18, 2011, concealed handgun permit holder Roger Riera shot and killed Andrew Gula, 21, following an altercation outside Rumrunner's bar. Riera, who argued he acted in self-defense, was found guilty of third degree murder, aggravated assault, and voluntary manslaughter in August 2012. In November 2012, Riera was sentenced to 15 to 30 years in prison, with a consecutive five years of probation.

Sources: "Man sentenced for Williamsport murder" *wnep.com*, November 28, 2012; "Opinion in Support of Order in Compliance with Rule 1925(a) of the Rules of Appellate Procedure," *Commonwealth of Pennsylvania v. Roger Mitchell Riera, No. CR-1459-2011* .

Pennsylvania

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Robert William Duda

CONVICTED

Date: September 15, 2011

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On September 15, 2011, concealed handgun permit holder Robert William Duda, 44, shot and killed his son Bryan Duda, 14, as he was cleaning his handgun. According to court documents, Duda was cleaning his .380 handgun in his living room, and joking around with his son Bryan. Duda pointed his gun toward his son who was lying on the couch. Duda thought the gun was unloaded, but it discharged, striking Bryan in the side below his armpit. Bryan Duda was rushed to the hospital where he died later that day. Duda pleaded guilty to involuntary manslaughter, and in December 2012 he was sentenced to five years of probation, 100 hours of community service, and a \$500 fine.

Source: "Father sentenced to probation for accidentally shooting son," *dailyamerican.com*, December 5, 2012.

Pennsylvania

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Robert Klepic

UNINTENTIONAL

Date: August 21, 2011

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On August 21, 2011, concealed handgun permit holder Robert Klepic allegedly fatally shot and killed his wife Beverly Klepic, 61, with a 9mm Kel-Tec pistol he owned while the two were in a gun store to buy her a similar handgun. According to state police, an “immediate male relative” was handling a pistol that he owned when the weapon fired, hitting Klepic, who later died at an area hospital. Robert Klepic, who had been a well-known radio personality in the region under the name Bob Alexander, had become a probation officer after retiring from the airwaves.

Source: “Former radio personality Bob Alexander is the husband of weekend gun shop shooting victim,” *Pennlive.com*, August 24, 2011; “Woman shopping for pistol ‘like her husband’s’ is fatally shot by him at Pennsylvania gun shop,” *MailOnline*, August 23, 2011.

Pennsylvania

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Melissa Harris

SUICIDE

Date: June 5, 2011

People Killed: 2 (including shooter)

Circumstances: On June 5, 2011, concealed handgun permit holder Melissa Harris, 43, shot and killed her estranged partner, Lisa Goss, 46, in Goss' home with a 38 caliber handgun before taking her own life. Harris had lived with Goss up until two months prior and was moving some items out of the home where Goss lived with her two children when an argument broke out. According to news reports, Goss' 17-year-old son heard the argument and then a loud bang. When he opened his bedroom door, Harris fired a shot at him, missing. The teen locked himself in his room and called 911, then heard another shot. When police arrived they found Harris and Goss, each dead from a single bullet wound to the head.

Source: "York woman fatally shot ex-girlfriend, then killed herself," *The York Dispatch*, June 6, 2011.

Pennsylvania

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Danny Keith Kirtley

CONVICTED

Date: February 10, 2011

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On February 10, 2011, concealed handgun permit holder Danny Keith Kirtley, 48, allegedly shot and killed Trevor Casey Compton, 34, with a 38 caliber handgun. The incident occurred at Rosenbloom Welding, where both men worked. According to township police Lt. Dan Levi: “We just know the dispute was work-related and were told Kirtley started it....He came into the building, got into an argument with another co-worker, who punched him and knocked him to the ground. The other co-worker left the building when Kirtley started to reach in his pocket.” Police stated that Compton told Kirtley to stay on the floor, but that Kirtley got up and shot Compton. Kirtley had a Texas concealed handgun permit. Pennsylvania’s reciprocity agreement with Texas allowed him to legally carry the weapon. Kirtley was charged with homicide, two counts of aggravated assault, and one count of simple assault.

UPDATE: On September 18, 2012, Danny Keith Kirtley was convicted of voluntary manslaughter and two counts of aggravated assault in the death of Trevor Compton. Kirtley was sentenced to seven to 20 years in prison.

Source: “Texas man faces up to 20 years in prison for killing co-worker,” *observer-reporter.com*, November 28, 2012; “Work argument may have lead to fatal shooting,” *www.thealmanac.net*, February 16, 2011.

Pennsylvania

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Marqus Hill

CONVICTED

Date: September 12, 2010

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On September 12, 2010, concealed handgun permit holder Marqus Hill, 28, allegedly shot and killed 18-year-old Irving Santana after Santana reportedly broke into Hill's car. Seeing Santana and two others breaking into his car, Hill left a house and allegedly shot the unarmed Santana 13 times, killing him. Hill's Pennsylvania concealed handgun permit had been revoked in 2005 after he was charged with attempted murder, aggravated assault, and related offenses. The charges were eventually expunged, and Hill appealed the revocation. When his appeal was denied in 2008, Hill became irate and assaulted a police officer resulting in charges of aggravated and simple assault, resisting arrest, and disorderly conduct. Hill was found guilty on the charge of disorderly conduct. Denied a Pennsylvania concealed handgun permit, Hill applied for and received a concealed handgun permit from Florida which—despite the revocation of Hill's Pennsylvania carry permit by Philadelphia police—must be honored in Pennsylvania because of a reciprocity agreement between the two states. According to news reports, at a news conference following the shooting, Deputy Police Commissioner William Blackburn “blasted the loophole in state law that allowed Hill to legally carry a gun despite the Police Departments's best attempts to stop him.” Said Blackburn, “If we, in Philadelphia, deny someone the privilege to carry a handgun based on something in their background, they should not then be able to apply online and get a gun permit. We would like to have that right reserved for us in the Philadelphia area.” Hill was charged with murder and related offenses in the shooting of Santana.

UPDATE: On August 3, 2012, Marqus Hill was sentenced to eight to 20 years in prison in the death of Irving Santana. Hill was convicted of third degree murder and possession of an instrument of crime in the incident.

Source: “Philadelphia man with Florida gun permit convicted in killing,” *philly.com*, August 3, 2012 “Man charged in slaying had Fla. gun permit,” *Philadelphia Daily News*, September 16, 2010.

Pennsylvania

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Yvonne Hiller

CONVICTED

Date: September 9, 2010

People Killed: 2

Circumstances: On September 9, 2010, concealed handgun permit holder Yvonne Hiller, 43, allegedly shot and killed co-workers Tanya Renee Wilson, 47, and LaTonya Sharon Brown, 36, following an argument at the Philadelphia Kraft Foods plant where they worked. Hiller, a 15-year Kraft employee, had fought with Brown and Wilson for at least two years, accusing the two of throwing chemicals at her and talking behind her back. Following her latest accusations, Hiller's supervisor suspended her and told her to leave the plant. Hiller then went to her car, retrieved a .357 Magnum handgun, and returned to the plant, pointing the handgun at two security guards as she demanded re-entry. Once back inside the plant, she found Brown, Wilson, and two other co-workers in a third-floor break room. She allowed one woman to leave, stating that she had no quarrel with her. She then allegedly opened fire, shooting Brown once in the head at close range and Wilson in the side. A third employee, Bryant Dalton, 39, was shot in the neck and wounded. Hiller then reportedly hunted down the supervisor who had suspended her in the hallway and fired at him, but missed. Hiller also fired at a mechanic who followed her throughout the building, shouting at co-workers to flee and reporting her movements to 911 via a cell phone. Hiller then allegedly fired at officers as they arrived on the scene. Forty minutes after the shooting began, SWAT officers stormed the building, apprehended Hiller, and freed her co-workers. Hiller was charged with two counts of murder, one count of attempted murder, aggravated assault, and other charges.

UPDATE: On September 10, 2012, Yvonne Hiller was convicted on two counts of first degree murder. Prosecutors agreed not to seek the death penalty in return for Hiller waiving her right to mount an insanity defense or have a jury trial. Hiller faces a life sentence for the killings. The judge in the case expressed outrage that Hiller was able to obtain a permit to carry. "Why was it so easy for Ms. Hiller to get a gun?," Judge Benjamin Lerner asked. "How in the world, under Pennsylvania law, could she have been allowed to have a permit to carry?"

Source: "Philly food plant worker found guilty of killing 2," *Associated Press*, September 10, 2012; "Police: Feuds led Pa. woman to shoot colleagues," *Associated Press*, September 11, 2010; "Brewing for years, rage turned deadly at Kraft building," *Philadelphia Daily News*, September 11, 2010.

Pennsylvania

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Paul Hansen

CONVICTED

Date: June 12, 2010

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On June 12, 2010, Melissa Barnes, 28, was hosting a party when she learned that a member of the band she had hired was threatening a guest. Barnes confronted Paul Hansen, the bass player for the cover band Disorderly Conduct. Hansen then drew a 40 caliber Smith & Wesson handgun and allegedly shot Barnes once in the head. Hansen, 29, who called himself the “Interstate Madman” on his MySpace page, called police after the shooting but then fled on foot. He was apprehended by partygoers. The day before the shooting Barnes wrote on his MySpace page that he was “ready to give up on life.” Hansen, who had a concealed handgun permit, faces numerous charges including criminal homicide. After the shooting, Newberry Township Police Chief John Snyder told reporters, “I don’t know what started the argument. All I know is that he [Hansen] became physical with her female friend, which then, the victim came to her aid and for helping her friend, she paid with her life.”

UPDATE: On July 13, 2011, Hansen was found guilty of first degree murder in the shooting death of Melissa Barnes. At trial, the defense argued that Hansen was just trying to scare Barnes when the gun went off. Prosecutors showed that the gun could not have gone off accidentally and three witnesses testified that Hansen aimed the gun at Barnes’ head and fired. Hansen faces a mandatory term of life in prison without parole.

Source: “Band player found guilty of murdering party host,” *whptv.com*, July 13, 2011; “Musician charged in party killing,” *PennLive.com*, June 14, 2010; “York deadly shooting investigation,” *CBS 21 News*, June 14, 2010.

Pennsylvania

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Yaritza Alvarado

UNINTENTIONAL

Date: January 8, 2010

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On January 8, 2010, eight-year-old Jose Alvarado unintentionally shot himself in the chest with a handgun he found in the family home. His mother, Yaritza Alvarado, had a concealed handgun permit.

UPDATE: In March 2010, Jose Alvarado's father was charged with involuntary manslaughter as a result of the shooting.

Source: "Dad charged in shooting death of Allentown boy, 8," *The Morning Call*, March 11, 2010; "8-year-old Shoots Self, Dies," *NBC Philadelphia*, January 11, 2010; "Coroner says Allentown boy's death was 'terrible accident,'" *The Morning Call*, January 10, 2010; "8-year-old Jose Alvarado Jr. fatally shot in apparent accident," *The Morning Call*, January 9, 2010.

Pennsylvania

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Kirk Caldwell

CONVICTED

Date: December 25, 2009

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On December 25, 2009, Kirk Caldwell, 44, allegedly shot and killed his 21-year-old son Jordan Caldwell following a confrontation in their home. Kirk Caldwell, the pastor at Philadelphia's End Times Harvest Mission for Christ, allegedly fired a single shot from his 40 caliber Smith & Wesson pistol, striking his son in the chest. According to an affidavit based on a taped statement from the elder Caldwell, two of his other sons told him Jordan had "hit a girl and stole her car" and that she was now on the front porch crying. When the elder Caldwell came downstairs he stated that he found Jordan "punching, hitting and throwing other family members around the house." When Kirk Caldwell approached his son to calm him, he was thrown to the floor. Kirk Caldwell then went upstairs to change from his pajamas into street clothes and heard someone say that his son had a knife. Kirk Caldwell then returned downstairs, got his handgun from a suit coat pocket, pointed it at Jordan, and told him to stop. Jordan continued walking toward his father and when he reached into his pocket his father pulled the trigger. Kirk Caldwell had a concealed handgun permit for his handgun but had never fired the gun prior to the shooting. Caldwell was arraigned on first and third degree murder charges, as well as simple assault, aggravated assault, and recklessly endangering another person.

UPDATE: In July 2010 Caldwell pleaded guilty to voluntary manslaughter and was sentenced to two to four years in prison minus time served.

Source: "Pastor sentenced for killing son on Christmas," *Philadelphia Daily News*, July 13, 2010; "Hearing scheduled for pastor accused of shooting his son," *Delaware County Daily Times*, December 30, 2009.

Pennsylvania

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Greg Baker

CONVICTED

Date: December 3, 2009

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On December 3, 2009, Greg Baker shot and killed Thomas Daughtery and wounded his estranged wife Linda Baker. Baker was driving through the parking lot of the East Rochester Shopping Plaza in the afternoon when he spotted his wife with Daughtery outside the Brighton Hot Dog Shoppe. Witnesses reported that Baker initially shot the two victims, returned to his vehicle, and then came back to fire more shots. Police said Baker fired five shots with a .40 handgun, which he was licensed to carry. The Bakers had been separated for at least several weeks and Greg Baker was reportedly depressed over the breakup. Baker surrendered to police shortly after the shooting and was charged with homicide, aggravated assault, criminal intent, and reckless endangerment.

UPDATE: On February 15, 2011, a jury found Greg Baker guilty of third-degree murder, reckless endangerment, and two counts of aggravated assault. He was found not guilty of first-degree murder, voluntary manslaughter, and attempted homicide. On April 1, 2011, Baker was sentenced to serve 30 to 60 years in prison.

Source: "New Sewickley man sentenced to 30 to 60 years for East Rochester fatal shooting," *timesonline.com*, April 2, 2011; "New Sewickley man charged with homicide in East Rochester shooting," *Pittsburgh Post-Gazette*, December 4, 2009; "One dead, suspect arrested in East Rochester shooting," *Beaver County Times*, December 3, 2009.

Pennsylvania

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Jonathan Reyes

CONVICTED

Date: November 21, 2009

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On November 21, 2009, Jonathan Reyes' handgun discharged as he was attempting to holster it, the bullet fatally injuring Blaine Salutric. Reyes, Salutric, and a third man were eating pizza in an apartment. Salutric was walking out of the kitchen with a slice of pizza as Reyes was attempting to holster his .380 pistol. The gun discharged, the bullet striking Salutric in the lower right abdomen. Salutric was taken to the hospital and pronounced dead later that night. Reyes had no criminal record and had a concealed handgun permit. He was charged with criminal homicide.

UPDATE: In May 2010 Reyes pleaded guilty to the misdemeanor charge of involuntary manslaughter and was sentenced to two to four years in state prison under the terms of the plea agreement. Reyes testified that he is "very against guns" but said that he began to carry one to protect himself and his family. He said that he had had a gun pulled on him 12 times, his brother had been shot at twice, and his mother had been "jumped by 30 people." Reyes told the court that he had obtained a concealed handgun permit because he was the only one in his family who could do so legally.

Source: "Uniontown man pleads guilty to friend's slaying, gets four years," *Pittsburgh Tribune-Review*, May 4, 2010; Uniontown man charged with homicide in gun accident," *Pittsburgh Tribune-Review*, November 23, 2009.

Pennsylvania

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Shannon L. Mayo, Sr.

CONVICTED

Date: October 6, 2009

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On October 6, 2009, concealed handgun permit holder Shannon L. Mayo, Sr., 56, shot and killed Donnell McIntyre, 34. During his trial, Mayo claimed that McIntyre had robbed him at gunpoint a few hours before the slaying. Mayo, standing outside his home, later saw McIntyre and pulled out his 40 caliber handgun. Mayo claimed that when McIntyre refused to take his hand out of his pocket, he was afraid that he had a gun, so he shot the unarmed McIntyre three times. During the trial the senior deputy prosecutor characterized Mayo's self-defense claim as "ludicrous." In November 2011 Mayo was found guilty of third degree murder.

Sources: "Mayo guilty of third-degree murder," *The York Daily Record*, November 4, 2011; "More testimony in murder trial of man who claims self-defense," *The York Dispatch*, November 1, 2011

Pennsylvania

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** George Sodini

SUICIDE

Date: August 4, 2009

People Killed: 4 (including shooter)

Circumstances: On August 4, 2009, George Sodini, 48, opened fire at an LA Fitness Center in Collier, Pennsylvania, killing three women and wounding nine others before turning the gun on himself. Sodini entered the club shortly before 8:00 PM armed with two 9mm pistols with 30-round clips, a .45 pistol, and a .32 pistol. He was also carrying two additional 30-round clips in a gym bag. Sodini then walked into an exercise class where an aerobics class was underway and turned the lights off. He then walked further into the room and started firing, emptying one of his 9mm pistols. Drawing the second 9mm, he opened fire again, stopping with 12 rounds still in the clip. Sodini fired at least 36 rounds from his two 9mm pistols before shooting himself in the head with the .45 handgun. The entire episode lasted approximately one minute. A note recovered from Sodini's bag complained about being rejected by women and expressed his hatred toward them. Detectives found four rifles and shotguns in his house as well as a typewritten note in which Sodini said he planned to kill himself. Sodini had a concealed handgun permit and legally possessed the guns used in the shooting. In his blog, Sodini revealed that he had attempted to carry out the shooting on a prior occasion, entering the club with loaded weapons, but did not go through with the attack. In the journal he also expressed rage at family members and frustration at not being able to "connect" with women. The day before the shooting he wrote, "I took off today, Monday, and tomorrow to practice my routine and make sure it is well polished. I need to work out every detail, there is only one shot....Total effort needed. Tomorrow is the big day."

Source: "LA Fitness shooter had lethal plan," *Pittsburgh Post-Gazette*, August 6, 2009.

Pennsylvania

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Johan Pujols

CONVICTED

Date: August 1, 2009

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On August 1, 2009, concealed handgun permit holder Johan Pujols shot and killed Yeury Colon, 25, outside the Club 570 in Hazleton, Pennsylvania. Pujols claimed he was acting in self-defense and testified at his trial that he was surrounded when he fired his 380 handgun and wounded Luis Perez-Rodriguez. He protested that he then shot Colon accidentally. Prosecutors assailed the credibility of defense witnesses who had failed to talk to police after the shootings. Prosecutors also questioned why Pujols wore a gun on his ankle if he never intended to shoot anyone as he claimed. A jury convicted Pujols of involuntary manslaughter and sentenced him to two and a half to five years.

Source: "Pujols sentenced to 2 1/2 to 5 years for manslaughter," *standardspeaker.com*, March 17, 2011; "Pujols: 'I never intended to shoot anybody.'" *citizensvoice.com*, February 15, 2011; "Pujols found guilty of manslaughter," *timesleader.com*, February 15, 2011.

Pennsylvania

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Joel Atkin

CONVICTED

Date: April 25, 2009

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On April 25, 2009, Joel Atkin allegedly shot and killed Jayson Sack after Sack walked into the street to yell at Atkin to slow down as he drove his car down East 20th Street. Atkin told police that Sack was blocking the road and wouldn't move so he pulled his gun on Sack. Sack then tried to disarm Atkin at which point Atkin allegedly shot and killed him. Atkin told police that he kept one round in the .357 revolver's cylinder empty so it would not accidentally go off. As a result, he had to fire more than once in order to shoot Sack. Atkin, who had a permit to carry a concealed handgun, was charged with homicide, aggravated assault, recklessly endangering another person, and possession of instruments of crime. Atkin was convicted of third degree murder, aggravated assault, and reckless endangerment. He was acquitted on charges of possessing an instrument of crime.

Source: "Man convicted of 3rd-degree murder in Pa. shooting," *Associated Press*, January 16, 2010; "Shooter: 'He rushed me,'" *Erie Times-News*, April 28, 2009.

Pennsylvania

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Richard Poplawski

CONVICTED

Date: April 4, 2009

People Killed: 3

Law Enforcement Officers Killed: 3

Circumstances: On April 4, 2009, white supremacist Richard Poplawski shot and killed police officers Stephen Mayhle, Paul Sciullo, and Eric Kelly while injuring another. Among the guns used in the shootout by Poplawski were an AK-47 assault rifle, a pistol, and a shotgun. He had a concealed handgun permit despite a former girlfriend having obtained a protection-from-abuse order against him. Poplawski's mother told police that he had been "stockpiling guns and ammunition...because he believed that as a result of the economic collapse, the police were no longer able to protect society." She additionally stated that "her son 'only liked police when they were not curtailing his constitutional rights, which he was determined to protect.'" Poplawski was charged with three counts of criminal homicide and one count of aggravated assault. He pled not guilty. Prosecutors are seeking the death penalty.

UPDATE: On June 26, 2011, Poplawski was found guilty of three counts of first-degree murder as well as 25 other crimes. He was sentenced to death.

Source: "Poplawski is sentenced to death; police clap for jury," *Pittsburgh Post-Gazette*, June 28, 2011; "Poplawski guilty on all counts," *Pittsburgh Post-Gazette*, June 26, 2011; "Poplawski bought guns through shop in Wilkinsburg," *Pittsburgh Post-Gazette*, April 7, 2009; "Who is Richard Poplawski? Friends, Family Talk About Pittsburgh Suspect in Police Officers' Triple-Killing," *ThePittsburghChannel.com*, April 6, 2009; "Pittsburgh police shooting arraigned by computer," *Associated Press at philly.com*, June 1, 2009

Pennsylvania

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** George Zadolnny

SUICIDE

Date: December 16, 2008

People Killed: 2

Circumstances: On December 16, 2008, George Zadolnny, 59, shot and killed Deborah Bachak, 46, at the Lockheed plant where the two worked. Zadolnny then shot and killed himself. The two had been dating but Bachak had ended the relationship several weeks earlier. Zadolnny was one of only a few allowed to have a gun in the facility. He was the employee of an outside security company.

Source: "Murder-suicide at plant," *Patriot News*, December 17, 2008; "Murder-Suicide at Lockheed Martin Plant," *wnep.com*, December 16, 2008.

Pennsylvania

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Fernando Gotay

CONVICTED

Date: December 5, 2008

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On December 5, 2008, Donald Spry, 22, was shot and killed by Fernando Gotay, 25, after a botched robbery attempt that occurred while Spry and two others were reportedly buying four ounces of marijuana from Gotay, a drug dealer who had a concealed handgun permit. Spry, his half-brother Jared Goodwin, and Tyree Harris went to a home to meet Gotay and his brother-in-law, Peter Melendez, to purchase the drugs. During the drug deal, Spry went to the bathroom and reemerged pointing a .357 magnum handgun at Melendez. Gotay then pulled a 9mm handgun and Goodwin displayed a .45 caliber handgun. The two exchanged fire, resulting in Gotay being shot in the arm. As Melendez and Spry struggled for Spry's gun, Gotay pulled his brother-in-law off Spry, and then shot Spry several times. Gotay was charged with murder. He later pleaded guilty to voluntary manslaughter but later withdrew the plea at the urging of relatives. On December 4, 2009, the court denied a request by Gotay that the charges against him be dismissed on self-defense grounds. A jury eventually convicted Gotay of voluntary manslaughter and two drug charges. A judge sentenced him to 10 years in prison on March 8, 2010.

Source: "Gotay sentenced to at least 10 years in prison for manslaughter," *citizensvoice.com*, March 9, 2010; "Man testifies about shootout," *timesleader.com*, February 24, 2010; "Testimony in homicide trial to start," *timesleader.com*, February 23, 2010; "Pa. man on trial in shooting death during robbery," *Daily American*, February 23, 2010.

Pennsylvania

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Christina Korbe

CONVICTED

Date: November 19, 2008

Total Killed: 1

Law Enforcement Officers Killed: 1

Circumstances: On November 19, 2008, Christina Korbe shot and killed FBI Special Agent Samuel Hicks. Federal agents, led by Agent Hicks, had entered Korbe's home to serve an arrest warrant on her husband. The gun used by Korbe in the incident was a 38 caliber Taurus Ultra-Lite revolver. In addition to being charged with killing an FBI agent, Korbe, who had a concealed handgun permit, was charged in federal court with firearm offenses.

UPDATE: On January 18, 2011, Christina Korbe pleaded guilty to voluntary manslaughter and committing a crime of violence with a firearm. Korbe was sentenced to 70 months for manslaughter, 120 months for the firearm offense, and was given credit for time already served.

Source: "Pennsylvania woman gets 16 years in FBI killing case," *Reuters*, January 18, 2011; "Korbe Remorseful for Shooting Death of FBI Agent," *Pittsburgh Post-Gazette*, December 10, 2008; Indictment of Christina Marie Korbe, U.S. District Court for the Western District of Pennsylvania, January 8, 2009; "More charges filed against accused killer of FBI agent," *Pittsburgh Post-Gazette*, March 19, 2009.

Pennsylvania

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Roderick Sims

CONVICTED

Date: September 27, 2008

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On September 27, 2008, concealed handgun permit holder Roderick Sims, 50, shot and killed his estranged fiancée Charity Spickler, 27, after breaking into her apartment. On August 8, 2008, Spickler obtained a temporary protection order against Sims after he allegedly pushed, yelled, and spit at her during an argument. On the same day that she obtained the protective order, Spickler and their three children—ages three, five, and 18—moved out of the apartment she shared with Sims and moved into a shelter. Spickler did not ask the court to seize Sims' .38 revolver because she felt he would be even more angry and she would be in greater danger if the authorities took his gun away. According to the District Attorney, once the protective order was issued, Sims stalked Spickler and told a friend he would kill her. On the day of the murder, Sims was fired from his job at ConAgra following an argument at work. He spent the day drinking at bars before taking a taxi to Lewisburg, Pennsylvania, where Spickler was staying at a female friend's apartment. That night she had returned home from a date with Eric Hitchcock, who was giving a half-naked Spickler a back rub on her bed. Sims prowled around outside the apartment and looked in the windows. Sims then broke through a locked door of the apartment and confronted Spickler's female friend who fled the apartment and called for help. Hitchcock, hearing the commotion, tried to prevent Sims from breaking into the bedroom. Sims, tearing the bedroom door off its hinges, broke into the room. Hitchcock fled the house and Sims shot Spickler in the back of the head as she lay crouched with her head down. Spickler died two days later. On November 2, 2012, Sims was sentenced to life in prison after being found guilty of second degree murder in the shooting of Spickler. Sims also received a concurrent seven to 30 year sentence for burglary and terroristic threats.

Source: "Lewisburg man found guilty in 2008 shooting," *Harrisburg Patriot-News*, November 4, 2012; "Defense: Union County murder defendant 'just lost it' before slaying," *The Daily Item*, October 24, 2012.

Rhode Island

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Nicholas Gianquitti

CONVICTED

Date: May 18, 2008

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On May 18, 2008, Nicholas Gianquitti, a former Providence police officer, allegedly shot and killed his neighbor, James Pagano, a Cranston Fire Department lieutenant. The shooting occurred after Pagano confronted Gianquitti for cursing at his children during a birthday party—Gianquitti had scolded the children for throwing a tennis ball that had hit his wife’s parked car. Gianquitti testified that he pulled the trigger in self-defense after Pagano came to his door and punched him in the face. Gianquitti held a concealed handgun permit as a privilege conveyed to former law enforcement officers. His neighbor reacted to news of the shooting by remarking, “I just don’t get it. He was a great neighbor—the best neighbor I ever had.” Gianquitti was convicted of second degree murder and a firearms charge.

Source: “Nicholas Gianquitti convicted of second-degree murder,” *turnto10.com*, April 1, 2009; “Alleged shooter served briefly on Providence force,” *The Providence Journal*, May 20, 2008.

South Carolina

■ Concealed Handgun Permit Holder: Rick Chow

PENDING

Date: May 28, 2023

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On May 28, 2023, concealed handgun permit holder Rick Chow, 58, allegedly shot and killed Cyrus Carmack-Belton, 14, after mistakenly believing that Carmack-Belton had taken four bottles of water from the gas station convenience store that Chow owned. According to the Richland County Sheriff, Carmack-Belton ran out of the Xpress Mart Shell station after a verbal confrontation with Chow. Chow's son chased after him before being joined by his father. The county coroner confirmed that Belton died from a gunshot wound to the back stating, "It seems to be consistent with someone who was running away from the assailant. This is not an accidental shooting by any means. This was a very intentional shooting." At a press conference the sheriff stated, "Rick Chow shot this young man in the back and he killed him and he is going to be appropriately charged with murder."

Sources: "South Carolina store owner charged in killing of teenage boy wrongly accused of shoplifting," *cbsnews.com*, May 31, 2023.

South Carolina

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Niko Williams

CONVICTED

Date: September 11, 2020

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On September 11, 2020, concealed handgun permit holder Niko Williams, 25, shot and killed Albert “AJ” Soles, Jr., 24, in the parking lot of a Cookout restaurant in Myrtle Beach. Williams was arguing with two women in the parking lot and when Soles tried to separate Williams from the women, Williams pulled out a Glock pistol and fired at Soles until the gun was empty. Williams also struck another man several times causing injuries which required life-saving surgery. Williams left the parking lot in his vehicle but was apprehended by police two hours later in a Walmart parking lot nearby. Williams had no prior criminal record and a valid concealed carry permit at the time of the shooting. On October 10, 2022, Williams pleaded guilty to voluntary manslaughter and assault and battery of a high and aggravated nature, and was sentenced to 20 years in prison. Williams must serve 85 percent of his sentence before he will be eligible for release.

Source: “Man sentenced to 20 years in prison for shooting, killing Tabor City man at Myrtle Beach Cookout,” *wwaytv.com*, October 10, 2022.

South Carolina

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Bekki Gunter

UNINTENTIONAL

Date: June 20, 2019

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On June 20, 2019, concealed handgun permit holder Bekki Gunter left her Glock pistol inside her purse that she placed on her bed before going to the bathroom. Within seconds, Gunter's two-year-old grandson, Kayden Stuber, was able to unzip the purse, remove the pistol from a holster, and pull the trigger, shooting himself in the face. Despite attempts to stop the bleeding, Stuber died. Stuber's grandfather Tim Gunter, who is also a concealed handgun permit holder, said, "we're probably one of the safest families around as far as weapons." He stated that both he and Bekki Gunter decided to carry guns in response to crime in the area. "No matter where you go, there's crimes, so we decided to actually get our CWP's," he said. After the shooting, Gunter said that he planned to get rid of all of his Glock pistols, stating that if the handgun had been designed with a manual safety, which Glock pistols do not have, it could have prevented the death. "That gun's evil now as far as I'm concerned," he said in reference to the pistol used in the shooting.

Sources: "Family gripped with grief over shooting death of toddler: 'It was an accident'," *greenvilleonline.com*, June 21, 2019.

South Carolina

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** James Lee Ginther III

CONVICTED

Date: November 16, 2017

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On November 16, 2017, concealed handgun permit holder James Lee Ginther III, 26, allegedly shot and killed his ex-wife Suzette Ginther, 27, in Manchester State Forest. Investigators believe James Ginther kidnapped his ex-wife as she was leaving for work at a local PetSmart and took her to Manchester State Forest. Ginther allegedly made her get on her knees before allegedly shooting her in the head. She then fell face first into a hole in the ground where she was found by a hunter just hours after she had been reported missing for failing to show up at work. A warrant was issued for James Ginther's arrest, and he was arrested in Kentucky following a traffic incident. A firearm was found in his possession reportedly matching the caliber of the weapon used to kill Suzette Ginther. He was charged with murder and kidnapping.

UPDATE: In April 2019, James Ginther III was found guilty of murder and kidnapping in the death of Susan Ginther. He was sentenced to life in prison.

Source: "The more everything pointed to James': Slain Sumterite's father, boyfriend, speak about ex convicted in case," *theitem.com*, April 16, 2019; "Sumter ex-husband's hearing set in 'execution-style' slaying," *theitem.com*, November 30, 2017.

South Carolina

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Roger Dale Grate

CONVICTED

Date: December 25, 2016

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On Christmas night 2016, concealed handgun permit holder, Roger Dale Grate, 53, shot and killed his nephew, Darrell Doctor, with a 45 caliber Ruger handgun during a family gathering outside a home in Loris, South Carolina. Grate stated that he and his stepson, Gregory Grate, had been in a verbal argument over Christmas presents when Doctor came over to ask what their dispute was about. The Grates testified that Doctor was intoxicated. The elder Grate said his nephew was asked to leave three or four times, but refused. Gregory Grate said that his stepfather had told Doctor to “stay out of it.” The younger Grate eventually tried to get Doctor to leave with him in his car. “I knew it was about to get heated,” he said. Roger Grate said Doctor approached him in a “fast-paced” aggressive manner and that Doctor reached into his pocket. Grate, who knew Doctor owned a gun, thought he was reaching for the weapon. He told police he intended to shoot over Doctor’s head to stop Doctor from coming at him, but the bullet hit Doctor in the forehead and exited through the back of his head. He died at the scene. When police arrived, Grate turned over his gun and carry permit. On the witness stand Grate said, “I didn’t know if he was going to shoot me....I knew what he was capable of.” Police at the scene searched Doctor’s body and did not find a weapon. On March 14, 2019, after spending two years on home detention, Roger Grate was found guilty of murder and possession of a weapon during a violent crime. He was sentenced to 35 years in prison.

Sources: “Jury says shooting wasn’t an accident, it was murder,” *myhorrynews.com*, March 14, 2019.

South Carolina

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Greg Leon

PENDING

Date: February 14, 2016

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On February 14, 2016, concealed handgun permit holder Greg Leon, 49, allegedly shot and killed an unidentified man who was sitting in the backseat of a pickup truck with Leon's wife. The shooting was captured by a video surveillance camera in a commuter parking lot off I-20 in Lexington, SC. The victim was in the back seat of a Toyota Tundra pickup truck when he was struck by multiple bullets from a handgun. Leon's wife was also in the backseat, but was not injured. Leon was on probation when the shooting occurred, and one of the conditions of his probation was that he not possess a gun or ammunition. According to warrants in the case, Leon was recorded on a 911 call as saying, "I shot my wife's lover." Leon was charged with murder, attempted murder, discharging a firearm into an occupied vehicle, and possession of a weapon during a violent crime.

UPDATE: In August 2021, the trial of Greg Leon was delayed until 2022.

Source: "SC Mexican restaurant owner murder trial delayed until 2022," *The State*, August 6, 2021; "Greg Leon's wife asks judge to let husband out of jail, even though he killed her alleged lover," *The State*, February 19, 2016.

South Carolina

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Michael Donovan Oswald

SHOT AND KILLED BY POLICE

Date: September 8, 2014

Total Killed: 2 (including shooter)

Law Enforcement Officers Killed: 1

Circumstances: On September 8, 2014, police knocked on the door of concealed handgun permit holder Michael Donovan Oswald, 38, after neighbors complained about a drunken man beating on doors and cars. Using an AK-47-style assault rifle, Oswald fired through the door, killing Deputy Joseph Matuskovic, 45 and wounding Deputy Michael Ackerman, 43. Two off-duty sheriff's deputies who lived in the apartment community had called for help knowing that the on-duty law enforcement personnel would have bullet-resistant vests, which they did not. One of the off-duty deputies who lived in the apartment complex helped return fire, and Oswald was later found dead of gunshot wounds. Oswald was known as a combative man with a long arrest history who frequently got into bar fights. In 2003, Oswald had been convicted for driving under the influence and hit and run with property damage.

Sources: "Authorities: Man who shot deputies had military-style rifle, combative past," *Post and Courier*, September 11, 2014; "After deputy killed in West Ashley, 'incomprehensible' night became even more difficult to bear," *Post and Courier*, September 9, 2014.

South Carolina

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Julian Deandre Battle

CONVICTED

Date: December 25, 2009

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On December 25, 2009, concealed handgun permit holder Julian Deandre Battle, 28, shot and killed Rafael Dodd, 29, following a confrontation outside a Greenville apartment building that involved relatives of Battle, guests at a holiday party, and Dodd. According to news reports, party guests were arguing outside the building when Dodd, a fellow concealed handgun permit holder whose permit was issued by Tennessee (which has reciprocity with South Carolina) came down the apartment's staircase and outside to where the argument was occurring. One witness said that he saw Battle grab Dodd by the collar and shoot him. Battle then reportedly mocked Dodd's wound as a "graze wound" and took the witness' cell phone so that he couldn't call 911. In court Battle claimed that Dodd had actually threatened him, and, noting his jewelry, told Battle he could kill him because he was from out of town. Battle claimed that he shot Dodd because he feared being robbed and explained that he knocked the cell phone out of the witness' hand because he feared that it was a gun. Lying next to Dodd's body was a fully loaded handgun that Dodd carried. Battle claimed that Dodd was shot when Dodd pointed his gun at Battle's face. Battle then stated that he turned the gun back at Dodd but that he didn't know whose hand actually pulled the trigger. Although Battle's first trial resulted in a mistrial, the jury in the second found him guilty and sentenced him to life in prison.

Sources: "Man gets life in fatal shooting retrial," *The Greenville News*, November 18, 2011.

South Carolina

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Matthew Scott Miller

PENDING

Date: July 29, 2009

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On July 29, 2009, Matthew Scott Miller, 30, allegedly shot and killed Ross Christopher Vigeant, 38, at 10:54 PM in the drive-through lane of a McDonalds fast food restaurant. Vigeant, a father of three, was on a two-day vacation in Myrtle Beach. According to a warrant filed in the case, the two were in the restaurant's drive-through lane when Miller began arguing with Vigeant about moving his vehicle. Vigeant pulled his vehicle up leaving space for Miller to exit, got out of his car, and then approached Miller's vehicle, where they continued to argue. Vigeant then punched Miller. Witnesses heard a "pop," and Miller drove away from the restaurant at a high rate of speed through the space Vigeant had earlier made for him. Vigeant, shot in the chest, staggered back to his vehicle, collapsed, and eventually died from his wound. Miller was arrested the next morning at his home, where police found a 9mm handgun. "My heart breaks for that family," said Miller's mother, "That poor man's family and their kids have no father and we have probably lost a son. It's very sad." Miller obtained a concealed handgun permit after being assaulted and hospitalized three years earlier. "He believed in people's rights to have guns," his mother said, "I told him, 'I wish you wouldn't carry that with you.' If he hadn't, things would be different. But if he didn't he may have been beaten up again." Said Miller's father, "For the most part he's been a great kid. All boys are boys. But this all comes back to his interest in carrying a concealed weapon." Matthew Scott Miller was charged with voluntary manslaughter and possession of a weapon during a violent crime.

Source: "Myrtle Beach man charged in shooting death at McDonalds released from jail," *myrtlebeachonline*, August 12, 2009; "Parents say prior attack may have weighed on homicide suspect," *myrtlebeachonline*, July 31, 2009.

South Carolina

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** James Forrest Mobley

SUICIDE

Date: May 10, 2007

People Killed: 3 (including shooter)

Circumstances: On May 10, 2007, James Forrest Mobley shot and killed two fellow workers at a Best Buy construction site before turning his handgun on himself. Mobley had overheard the two co-workers discussing him, including one who called him crazy. Mobley grabbed his handgun from his lunch pail and shot the two men 14 times before shooting himself in the head. During the incident he stopped to reload so that he could continue shooting. Mobley had been convicted of marijuana possession in 1975, had an animal complaint, and was subject to a breach of peace charge. Investigators confirmed that Mobley possessed a concealed handgun permit.

Source: "How Thursday's construction site shooting rampage unfolded," *Island Packet* (Hilton Head, SC), May 12, 2007; "Gunman killed 2 after being called 'crazy,'" *The Myrtle Beach Sun-News* (South Carolina), May 12, 2007.

Tennessee

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Breanna G. Devall Runions

PENDING

Date: August 27, 2023

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On August 27, 2023, concealed carry permit holder Breanna G. Devall Runions, 25, allegedly shot and killed a four-year-old girl who she claimed to be teaching about gun safety. According to arrest warrants, on the day of the shooting, the girl and other children were being punished for not following the rules, with another child telling police that Runions hit them with a sandal. Runions claimed she was teaching the girl about gun safety when she took the ammunition magazine out of a gun, pressed the barrel of the gun to the girl's chest, and pulled the trigger. The girl was shot in the chest and died. Runions was not the girl's parent, and the Department of Children's Services had been to the home in the past. Runions' gun permit was issued in 2019, before Tennessee passed a law allowing people over the age of 21 to carry without a permit. Runions was charged with first degree murder and aggravated child abuse.

Sources: "Rockwood woman charged with murder of 4-year-old waives court hearing," *wvlt.tv*, August 28, 2023.

Tennessee

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Bobby Atkinson

UNINTENTIONAL

Date: September 11, 2017

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On September 11, 2017, concealed handgun permit holder Bobby Atkinson, 70, unintentionally shot himself at Rudy's Diner in Clarksville, Tennessee. At just before 9 AM Atkinson entered Rudy's Diner and started to sit down. As he sat, he dropped a cloth bag on the floor. A witness reported hearing a pop "like a firecracker going off." Atkinson said he'd been shot and requested an ambulance. He was taken by helicopter to a Nashville hospital in critical condition, where he died on September 16. According to investigators, there was a Chiappa .22 revolver in the cloth bag in a holster with the hammer forward. When the bag was dropped the hammer of the revolver struck the floor, causing it to discharge.

Sources: "Man dies from injuries after accidental shooting at Rudy's Diner in Clarksville," *theleafchronicle.com*, September 28, 2017.

Tennessee

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Mark Steven Treuchet

CONVICTED

Date: September 8, 2016

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On September 8, 2016, concealed handgun permit holder Mark Steven Treuchet shot and killed Jeremy Lane Headley at the Bradley County Tennessee landfill. Headley had been riding in a vehicle driven by another person that was pulled over for a traffic stop on the day of the shooting. The driver of the car fled with Headley in the car and a police chase spanning several counties ensued. Bradley County Sheriff's deputies forced the car to a stop near a wooded area adjacent to the landfill. Headley, thought to be possibly armed, escaped into the woods and a manhunt ensued. The landfill was placed on lockdown. During the lockdown, several landfill employees testified that they heard Treuchet boast that he could "take care of" the situation, with one testifying that he said, "[If] I see the son of a gun, I'll shoot him myself." Another landfill employee testified that he heard Treuchet say, "I've got my pistol. I'll shoot that mother f---er." After a few hours the manhunt was discontinued when a deputy saw Headley and determined he was unarmed, barefoot, and shirtless. Employees were cleared to return to work, although they were under the impression that Headley may still be armed. Treuchet was operating a bulldozer at the landfill when he encountered Headley. An employee testified that he saw Treuchet following Headley in the bulldozer before getting out of the bulldozer and brandishing a weapon to try to get Headley to stop walking. At that point Treuchet fired his Smith & Wesson .40 VE pistol and Headley fell to the ground. Evidence presented at trial showed that when Treuchet encountered Headley, Treuchet was "inside a bulldozer with a door that could have been locked," and that he "chose not to call the police and instead followed the victim before pulling in front of the victim, confronting him, and shooting him in the back." Treuchet was an Alabama resident and had an Alabama concealed carry permit. Treuchet was found guilty of second degree murder and sentenced to 17 and a half years in prison. Treuchet appealed his conviction and in July 2020 the conviction was affirmed.

Source: *State v. Treuchet*, Court of Criminal Appeals of Tennessee, At Knoxville, February 25, 2020, Assigned on Briefs, July 29, 2020, Filed, No. E2019-00663-CCA-R3-CD.

Tennessee

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Dewey “Butch” C. Abbott III

CONVICTED

Date: July 22, 2015

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On July 22, 2015, concealed handgun permit holder Dewey “Butch” C. Abbott III, 60, shot and killed Jesse Sliepenbeek, 40, at Kings Crossing Apartments. Abbott, Sliepenbeek, and witness Lisa McClean had been drinking and eating together on the night of the shooting. After dinner, according to Abbott, Sliepenbeek assaulted McClean before Abbott asked the other man to leave the apartment. A few hours later, Sliepenbeek returned to the apartment to look for his wallet, which he had left there. According to Abbott, Sliepenbeek entered the apartment “ranting and raving.” In the course of searching for his wallet he eventually came out of a bedroom with blankets slung over his shoulder, lowered his shoulder at Abbott, said “I ain’t scared,” and lunged at the older man. Abbott shot Sliepenbeek three times, including once in the back. Abbott was convicted of second-degree murder and faces 15 to 20 years in jail with no parole.

Sources: “Victim’s family ‘pleased’ with verdict,” *Daily News Journal*, December 9, 2016; “Defendant takes stand, testifies about shooting victim,” *Daily News Journal*, December 7, 2016.

Tennessee

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Jason Nasca

SUICIDE

Date: December 7, 2016

People Killed: 2 (including shooter)

Circumstances: On December 7, 2016, concealed handgun permit holder Jason Nasca, 41, shot and killed Nicholas Strange, 23, before turning the gun on himself in the parking lot of a Weigel's convenience store in Knoxville. According to the sheriff's office, the shooting occurred after a verbal altercation between the two men, who did not know each other.

Sources: "Shooting leaves two dead in Knox County," *Local 8 Now*, December 8, 2016.

Tennessee

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Ricky Swafford

SUICIDE

Date: September 23, 2016

People Killed: 3 (including shooter)

Circumstances: On September 23, 2016, concealed handgun permit holder Ricky Swafford, 45, shot and killed James Zotter, 44, and Sandra Cooley, 68, before turning the gun on himself. On the morning of the shooting, Swafford was meeting with his supervisors at the Thomas & Betts Corporation plant where he worked, when he reportedly became upset and left the building. Swafford returned a short time later and fatally shot Zotter and Cooley. Swafford was later found dead in a bathroom at the factory from a self-inflicted gunshot wound. Swafford had worked at the factory for 15 years. In 2013, Tennessee enacted a law allowing workers with a concealed handgun permit to store firearms in vehicles parked at work regardless of employers' weapons policies.

Source: "The Latest: Suspect in factory shooting had gun carry permit," *Associated Press*, September 23, 2016.

Tennessee

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** William Clinton Robbins

CONVICTED

Date: December 31, 2015

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On December 31, 2015, concealed handgun permit holder William Clinton Robbins, 44, allegedly shot and killed Nickie Benjamin Brumitte, 20. Early that morning, Brumitte and a group of friends arrived at Robbins' house to retrieve a Dodge Ram pickup truck that was owned by Robbins' niece and was allegedly part of a contentious divorce dispute (his niece's husband, Josh Turner, was one of the men accompanying Brumitte). As Brumitte attempted to flee in the vehicle, Robbins emerged from his house and allegedly began firing at the truck, emptying 17 rounds from his Smith & Wesson 9mm pistol and striking Brumitte in the head. Robbins told investigators that he was attempting to shoot the engine block of the pickup, but a special agent from the Tennessee Bureau of Investigation testified that the location and trajectory of the bullets that struck the vehicle did not support his claim. He testified that three bullets entered the windshield of the vehicle, two struck at or near its passenger side door, and single bullets hit the bumper, tire, and grill. Robbins was charged with criminal homicide.

UPDATE: On October 19, 2017, William Clinton Robbins was convicted of reckless homicide in the death of Nickie Benjamin Brumitte. Robbins faces up to two years in prison.

Source: "Tennessee man guilty of lesser charges in truck shooting," *Associated Press*, October 20, 2017; "Details Emerge in Robbins Shooting," *ihoneida.com*, January 27, 2016.

Tennessee

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Roy Michael Ford

CONVICTED

Date: May 30, 2015

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On May 30, 2015, concealed handgun permit holder Roy Michael Ford, 59, shot and killed Scotty Brogan following an altercation along the shoulder of Highway 63 in Claiborne County, Tennessee. According to the Claiborne Sheriff's Department, Ford fatally shot Brogan with a Charter Arms 38 caliber handgun. Brogan then attempted to flee from Ford but collapsed face down in a ditch near the rear of his own vehicle. On June 3, while under care at the Claiborne County Medical Center, Ford allegedly assaulted a duty nurse and two Sheriff's officers. Ford was charged with second degree murder in the shooting of Scotty Brogan and was also charged with attempted escape, aggravated assault, vandalism, and disorderly conduct as a result of the altercation at the medical center.

UPDATE: On January 26, 2017, Roy Michael Ford was found guilty of second degree murder in the death of Scotty Brogan.

Source: "Jury finds Ford guilty of murder," *thevolunteertimes.com*, January 27, 2017; "Ford indicted for second degree murder," *claiborneprogress.net*, September 3, 2015.

Tennessee

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Michael Little

SHOT AND KILLED DURING INCIDENT

Date: August 15, 2014

People Killed: 2 (including shooter)

Circumstances: On August 15, 2014, concealed handgun permit holder Michael Little, 21, shot and wounded his ex-girlfriend Ashley Womack, 18, and Womack's mother Rhonda, and shot and killed family friend Travis Wegener, before Ashley's older brother Joshua shot and killed Little. According to news reports, Little, a Tennessee police cadet, went to Ashley's home to speak with her two weeks after they had split up. As he walked toward his car in the driveway, Little pulled out a 45 caliber handgun and shot Rhonda Womack and Travis Wegener, before going to the back of the house and shooting Ashley. Ashley's brother Joshua then retrieved a rifle and shot and killed Little.

Source: "Tennessee police cadet shoots 3 people, killing, 1, before ex-girlfriend's brother guns him down: cops," *New York Daily News*, August 18, 2014; "Knoxville police cadet in fatal shooting had a handgun carry permit," *Knoxville News Sentinel*, August 18, 2014.

Tennessee

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** James “Tony” McKenzie

UNINTENTIONAL

Date: June 4, 2014

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On June 4, 2014, concealed handgun permit holder James “Tony” McKenzie, 48, unintentionally shot and killed himself while he was driving his car. Police say the gun went off and shot him in the upper leg. According to news reports, McKenzie’s family said he “always kept a gun on him.”

Source: “James ‘Tony’ McKenzie,” *Cleveland Daily Banner*, June 6, 2014; “Man accidentally shoots and kills himself while driving in Meigs County,” *Chattanooga Times Free Press*, June 5, 2014.

Tennessee

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Ryan Frederick

UNINTENTIONAL

Date: December 15, 2013

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On December 15, 2013, concealed handgun permit holder Ryan Frederick, 24, unintentionally shot and killed 19-year-old James Tyler Wisdom while showing off his new handgun. Frederick was in his bedroom showing his handgun to a friend when it discharged, with the bullet traveling through the floor boards and striking Wisdom who was in the kitchen of the house. Frederick told a local TV station, “It was an accident, but it shouldn’t have happened and I’m going to miss him.” Frederick was not charged in the shooting.

Source: “Tennessee teen fatally shot after friend’s gun allegedly discharges through floor,” *New York Daily News*, December 16, 2013.

Tennessee

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Chris Ferrell

CONVICTED

Date: November 23, 2013

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On November 23, 2013, concealed handgun permit holder Chris Ferrell allegedly shot and killed Wayne Mills, 44, in the bar that Ferrell owned, the Pit and Barrel. Mills was a singer and leader of the outlaw-country Wayne Mills Band. According to news reports, an altercation began about 5:00 AM after Mills began smoking in a non-smoking area of the bar. The two began to argue as the other patrons left the bar. Gun shots were then heard and the police were called. Upon arrival, they found Mills with a fatal gunshot wound to the head. The two men had been friends and had returned to the bar after attending a George Jones Tribute earlier. Ferrell's bar had been scheduled to be on the Spike TV show *Bar Rescue* the next day. Ferrell was charged with second degree murder.

UPDATE: On March 6, 2015, Chris Ferrell was found guilty of second degree murder in the death of Wayne Mills. On April 24, 2015, Ferrell was sentenced to 20 years in prison.

Source: "Man convicted of Wayne Mills' murder sentenced to 20 years," *wkrn.com*, April 24, 2015; "Chris Ferrell found guilty in musician Wayne Mills' death," *Nashville Tennessean*, March 6, 2015; "Chris Ferrell Arrested on 2nd Degree Murder in Wayne Mills Case," *www.savingcountrymusic.com*, December 6, 2013; "Singer Wayne Mills Shot Dead in Nashville Bar," *www.tasteofcountry.com*, November 25, 2013.

Tennessee

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Terry York

UNINTENTIONAL

Date: August 18, 2013

People Killed: 2

Circumstances: On August 18, 2013, concealed handgun permit holder Terry York, 48, and his son Luke, 12, were killed in a house fire that reportedly started following the accidental discharge of York's AR-15 assault rifle. According to witnesses, York was in the back room of his house showing a friend the AR-15 when it accidentally discharged. The gunfire reportedly ignited a small fire inside the house. According to deputies, York's friend left the room where the fire was burning, but York's son Luke ran in to help put out the blaze. Investigators believe the fire grew out of control within minutes, leading to an explosion. According to deputies, York's wife also suffered second degree burns to her arms after trying to enter the room. Firefighters reportedly found York and his son just steps from the exit, leading investigators to believe that they were trying to escape but were blinded by smoke. York reportedly stored "a lot" of ammunition in the room, but investigators did not say whether that is what caused the explosion. York was described by family members as "an outdoorsman who loved fishing and target shooting with his son."

Source: "Two Dead After Weapon Discharge Causes Explosion Fire," *wbbjtv.com*, August 19, 2013.

Tennessee

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Gregory Morris Booton

CONVICTED

Date: October 17, 2012

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On October 17, 2012, concealed handgun permit holder Gregory Morris Booton, 49, allegedly shot John Franklin Tucker, 46, multiple times outside of Tucker's residence. Tucker was pronounced dead the following morning. According to police, the two men had been involved in a verbal altercation over a female friend prior to the shooting. Booton was charged with first degree murder.

UPDATE: On March 11, 2014, Gregory Morris Booton pled guilty to second degree murder in the death of John Franklin Tucker. On April 29, 2014, Booton was sentenced to 23 years in prison.

Source: "Booton sentenced to 23-years on murder charge," *The Herald-Chronicle*, May 3, 2014; "Murder suspect remains in Franklin County Jail," *The Herald-Chronicle*, October 22, 2012; "Winchester man charged with first degree murder, *WSMV-TV*, October 18, 2012.

Tennessee

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Paul Clifford Moore Jr.

CONVICTED

Date: May 21, 2012

People Killed: 3

Circumstances: On May 21, 2012, concealed handgun permit holder Paul Clifford Moore Jr., 53, shot and killed his wife, Christina Moore, 39, her twin sister, Bridgette Stagnolia, 39, and his wife's lover, Amber Snellings, 24. Moore had learned two months earlier that his wife was having an affair with Snellings and reportedly bought a gun and threatened to kill Snellings. On the day of the murder, Moore shot Snellings three times in a bedroom in his apartment and then shot both his wife and Stagnolia twice: once in the forehead and once in the back of the head. Moore was charged with three counts of first degree murder. The prosecutor called the killings "the most unmerciful conduct this court has ever seen." In January 2014, Moore was convicted of three counts of second degree murder and in March 2014, Moore was sentenced to 30 years in prison.

Source: "Powell man gets 30 years in triple killing," *Knoxville News-Sentinel*, March 27, 2014; "Testimony outlines carnage in 2012 triple slaying," *Knoxville News-Sentinel*, January 23, 2014; "Defendant in slayings challenges use of testimony from victim's daughter," *Knoxville News-Sentinel*, January 21, 2014.

Tennessee

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Johnny Swack

INCOMPETENT TO STAND TRIAL

Date: September 7, 2011

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On September 7, 2011, concealed handgun permit holder Johnny Swack, 52, allegedly shot his former wife, Reinalda Ann Dupont England, 36, in the face with a pistol as she slept, killing her. After the shooting, Swack called 911 and reported the shooting as an accident. He was later arrested for her murder. According to his sister Susan Swack, Johnny Swack had mental problems that were evident months prior to the shooting: "He thought people were poisoning him. He thought people were following him. He had been trying to turn himself in at police stations and he wasn't wanted for anything so they couldn't keep him." Susan Swack told reporters that she had called police and asked them to take her brother's two handguns, but he had a legal permit. Johnny Swack had been treated at a mental institution weeks before the killing, where he was diagnosed with bipolarism, medicated, and then released. Said Susan Swack, "They refused to talk to the family at the mental place. I said, 'he's paranoid schizophrenic. He has guns and y'all need to do something about him.' And they released him a few days later."

UPDATE: In July 2012, Johnny Swack was found mentally ill and committed to judicial hospitalization under involuntary commitment. According to the Deputy Clerk, Swack will be evaluated every six months to determine if he is capable of standing trial. According to the judge's ruling, the case has not been dismissed, but is on hold until Swack can be deemed mentally fit.

Source: "Johnny Swack found mentally unfit to stand trial in murder case," *Macon County Times*, July 11, 2012; "Sister of accused murderer speaks out," *WSMV-TV*, September 19, 2011; "Man Arrested for First Degree Murder," *Macon County Chronicle*, September 13, 2011.

Tennessee

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Shannon Scott Paul

SHOT AND KILLED DURING INCIDENT

Date: June 20, 2011

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On June 20, 2011, concealed handgun permit holder Shannon Scott Paul was shot and killed during an argument in a shopping center parking lot. According to investigators, Paul and Ryan Dickens got into an argument while driving in separate vehicles. Both men then drove into the parking lot of the Owen Place Shopping Center, got out of their vehicles, and continued their argument. Paul, who was a concealed carry permit holder, then shot Dickens. According to police, Dickens then wrestled the gun away from Paul and shot him. Paul died from his injuries. Dickens was taken to a hospital for treatment.

Source: "One killed, one injured in shopping center shooting," *wrcbtv.com*, June 20, 2011.

Tennessee

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Randolph Sims

CONVICTED

Date: February 2011

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: In February 2011, concealed handgun permit holder Randolph Sims, 34, shot and killed his girlfriend, Adrienne Watson, 35, as she walked into his apartment. According to news reports, Sims was “knocking back drinks and unloading his shotgun” when it went off, hitting Watson in the stomach as she was entering Sims’ apartment. “It was an accident,” Sims stated at his trial, “I pumped it, and it went off.” At the time of the shooting, Sims’ blood alcohol level was 0.21, almost three times the legal limit for measuring intoxication. At his trial, the Assistant District Attorney stated that Sims had been schooled on gun safety and should have known better than to handle the weapon while drinking. Immediately after the shooting, Sims told police that he had thought Watson was an intruder, a story he abandoned during his trial, stating, “That’s what I said...I’d been drinking. I was scared the police were going to charge me because I’d been drinking.” Sims was convicted of reckless homicide in July 2012

Source: “Man guilty of lesser charge in girlfriend’s death,” *knoxnews.com*, July 12, 2012; “Suspect in fatal shooting: ‘It was an accident,’” *knoxnews.com*, July 10 2012.

Tennessee

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Michael Joe Hood

CONVICTED

Date: March 27, 2010

People Killed: 3

Circumstances: On March 27, 2010, concealed handgun permit holder Michael Joe Hood, 49, shot and killed his sister Susan Hood Binkley, 44, her ex-husband Dale Binkley, 42, and their 13-year-old son Jackson Binkley. All four shared a house in Cheatham County. Sheriff John Holder told reporters that police were looking at two motives for the mass shooting. The first was a possible disagreement over recycling aluminum cans: Hood had placed a sign on the family's refrigerator to collect the cans, but it had been removed. The second possible scenario was an argument over the family dog. Family members said Hood had a history of mental illness. Dale Binkley's sister Pamela told reporters, "I don't understand why someone who has a history of mental illness can have a legal permit to carry a gun....The police and the authorities are telling me he had permits to carry the guns that killed my loved ones. And he was on medicine, medication for mental illness. You tell me how, how does this happen?" Hood was charged with three counts of first-degree murder.

UPDATE: In June 2010 Hood pleaded guilty to the three murders and received three consecutive life sentences. Family member Pamela Binkley, who is now raising the two orphaned daughters of Dale and Susan Binkley, told the *Tennessean* that she planned to fight for tougher laws on getting gun permits.

Source: "Hood pleads guilty to murders," *Tennessean.com*, June 16, 2010; "Murder suspect has been under suicide watch," *Tennessean.com*, April 7, 2010; "3 Family Members Killed In Cheatham County," *WSMV.com*, March 27, 2010; Database of Tennessee Handgun Carry Permits, *The Commercial Appeal*, www.commercialappeal.com/data/gunpermits.

Tennessee

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Frank Graham

CONVICTED

Date: February 12, 2010

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On February 12, 2010, 34-year-old firefighter, Frank Graham, shot his 35-year-old ex-girlfriend, Taffi Crawford, three times in the parking lot of Delta Medical Center. Graham had a history of domestic violence against his ex-wife and Crawford. The Memphis Fire Department terminated Graham after he had been charged with first-degree murder. Graham held a handgun carry permit.

UPDATE: On January 16, 2012, Frank Graham was convicted of first-degree murder in the death of Taffi Crawford. Graham argued the shooting was unintentional, claiming he just wanted to scare Crawford, but tripped and accidentally shot her. Prosecutors argued that Crawford was shot three times and that forensic analysis showed that two of the shots were fired while she was on the ground. Graham was sentenced to life in prison and may be eligible for parole after 51 years.

Source: "Former Firefighter Found Guilty of First Degree Murder," *abc24.com*, January 16, 2012; "CRIME REPORT: Memphis fires firefighter charged with murder." *The Commercial Appeal*, February 17, 2010.

Tennessee

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Troy D. Whiteside

CONVICTED

Date: August 22, 2009

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On August 22, 2009, Troy D. Whiteside, 41, allegedly shot and killed Reginald Stacy Sudderth, 43, in a parking lot outside a clothing goods store in East Knoxville. According to news reports, neighborhood residents said the two, who had known each other for years and had competing businesses, “couldn’t stand to be around each other.” There were also allegations of arson. In the parking lot, Whiteside allegedly shot at Sudderth more than 10 times with a 9mm pistol. Sudderth was hit several times and died. Whiteside’s attorney claimed that in the lot Sudderth threatened his client and acted as though he were reaching for a weapon. The attorney representing Sudderth’s family stated that Sudderth, who was barred from possessing firearms because of a felony drug conviction, “was unarmed as he is always unarmed and known in the community not to carry weapons.” Whiteside, who was issued a concealed handgun permit on October 19, 2007, was charged with second degree murder and faces a three million dollar wrongful death suit filed by Sudderth’s family.

UPDATE: On May 28, 2015, Troy Whiteside pleaded guilty to voluntary manslaughter and reckless endangerment in the death of Reginald Sudderth. Whiteside was sentenced to 21 years in prison and must serve seven years and four months before he is eligible for parole.

Source: “Political benefactor, businessman reaches plea deal in killing,” *wbir.com*, May 28, 2015; “Update: Shooting case to keep businessman away from ORNL,” *wbir.com*, September 2, 2009; “Bad feelings between two East Knoxville residents went back years,” *knoxnews.com*, August 30, 2009; “Attorney: Whiteside killed man in self-defense,” *knoxnews.com*, August 24, 2009.

Tennessee

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Thomas Pate

CONVICTED

Date: April 30, 2009

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On April 30, 2009, Thomas Pate reported his wife missing to police, telling them that she had failed to return home after going for a run. Pate eventually gave investigators information that led them to his wife's body. Police found her body the night of May 1 near the Loosahatchie River about five miles from the couple's home. Pate told police he had shot his wife in the head and then threw the pistol in the river. His lawyer claimed the shooting was accidental and occurred when Micah Pate walked in front of Thomas Pate as they were target shooting. Pate had a concealed handgun permit that was issued on November 27, 2006. Pate's wife also had a concealed handgun permit. He was initially charged with second degree murder. The charge was later upgraded to premeditated first-degree murder.

Update: In March 2011 Thomas Pate entered into a plea agreement in which he plead guilty to a reduced charge of second-degree murder, receiving a prison sentence of 25 years.

Source: "In last-minute agreement, Thomas Pate pleads guilty to second-degree murder," *Memphis Commercial Appeal*, March 7, 2011; "Jury selection to begin for Bartlett man whose wife was shot to death," *Memphis Commercial Appeal*, March 6, 2011; "Murder charges upgraded against Bartlett man," *Associated Press*, September 21, 2009; "Husband charged in Tenn with Searcy woman's death," *Associated Press*, May 5, 2009; "Pate Claims Wife's Death an Accident," *myfoxmemphis.com*, May 4, 2009; "Bartlett nurse's husband charged with second degree murder," *wmcv.com*, May 3, 2009; "Neighbors Shocked Husband Arrested in Wife's Death," *wreg.com*, May 2, 2009.

Tennessee

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Austin Agee

SUICIDE

Date: March 2009

People Killed: 2 (including shooter)

Circumstances: In March 2009, Austin Agee shot and killed Lisa Davis and dumped her body in a field where he used to ride four-wheelers. On March 7, 2009, Agee, Davis, and three other acquaintances partied together in the Beale Street entertainment district in Memphis. The group dropped Davis off at her residence early Sunday morning, but Agee is believed to have returned to the house. Friends reported Davis missing on Sunday when she failed to show up for work at Bumpus Harley-Davidson. On Tuesday, March 10, 2009, Agee fatally shot himself after detectives arrived at his residence to question him as a “person of interest” in the Davis disappearance. A note found at his residence quoted Agee as being sorry for what he had done and revealed where the body could be found. Agee had a concealed handgun permit which was issued on November 10, 2008.

Source: “Details Emerge About Tennessee Model Slain in Mysterious Murder,” *FoxNews.com*, March 13, 2009; “Double tragedy: Suspect’s note leads to remains of missing Bartlett woman in Lakeland field,” *Memphis Commercial Appeal*, March 10, 2009.

Tennessee

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Harry Raymond Coleman

CONVICTED

Date: February 6, 2009

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On February 6, 2009, Harry Raymond Coleman, 60, shot and killed Robert “Dutch” Schwerin, 52, during an argument over how close their SUVs were parked. The shooting occurred outside the Villa Castrioti restaurant where Schwerin and a woman identified as Coleman’s wife were arguing over how close his GMC Yukon Denali was parked to her Hummer. Coleman retrieved his 45 caliber pistol from the Hummer and shot Schwerin in the chest. Coleman, who received a concealed handgun permit in June 2006, was charged with second-degree murder.

UPDATE: In July 2010, Coleman was convicted of second degree murder, aggravated assault, and two counts of assault. Coleman faces up to 25 years in prison without parole. After the verdict, Coleman tried to ingest a mouthful of prescription pills. During the trial, prosecutors told jurors that Coleman and his wife were not fearful that night, only angry, adding, “Poor Harry Coleman. He had to kill a man. He wants to be the first man in history to stick a gun in the mouth of an unarmed man, to stick it in the chest of an unarmed man and then to shoot him to death in front of his children and then call himself a victim.”

Source: “Coleman found guilty of second-degree murder in parking lot shooting,” *Memphis Commercial Appeal*, July 17, 2010; “Attorney: Accused shooter in Cordova parking-lot killing regretful,” *Memphis Commercial Appeal*, February 9, 2009; “In Brief: Cordova shooter appears in court,” *Memphis Commercial Appeal*, February 24, 2009.

Tennessee

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Martino Johnson

CONVICTED

Date: February 23, 2009

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On February 23, 2009, concealed handgun permit holder Martino Johnson, 34, allegedly shot and killed Terrelle Beasley with a 40 caliber pistol following a car accident in Memphis. The shooting occurred after Beasley accidentally sideswiped Johnson's Ford Taurus with his Honda Civic. Both men jumped out of their cars and began arguing. Police said Johnson pulled out his gun and shot Beasley three times. He died half an hour later. Beasley's mother, Estella Beasley, told reporters, "If you ask me what type of person [Johnson] is, he's a coward. He's a coward because you don't take nobody's life, for no reason. Why should a real man carry a gun? What do you need one for?" Johnson, also reportedly threatened to kill an eyewitness who was trying to call 911. Johnson's concealed handgun permit was issued on January 24, 2007. He was charged with second degree murder and aggravated assault.

UPDATE: On December 6, 2010, Martino Johnson pleaded guilty to second degree murder and aggravated assault in the death of Terrelle Beasley. Johnson was sentenced to 15 years in prison on the murder charge and three years for aggravated assault.

Source: Case Information, *State of Tennessee v. Martino Johnson*, cjs.shelbycountyttn.gov; "Shooter threatened witness, police say," *Memphis Commercial Appeal*, February 25, 2009; "Most say shooter's actions during robbery attempt on target," *Memphis Commercial Appeal*, July 10, 2009.

Tennessee

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Demetria Nance

CONVICTED

Date: December 2008

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: In December 2008, Demetria Nance shot and killed her on-again, off-again boyfriend Aaron Benton III, firing four shots from a 9mm pistol. Nance testified that after Benton decided to end their relationship she was emotionally confused and that after Benton shoved her and turned away she drew her pistol and fired—intending to hit him in the leg. Nance’s lawyer said that she had not planned in advance to shoot Benton, but that after having been robbed “it was her habit to carry the gun with her at all times in her purse.” Nance, who had a concealed handgun permit, was convicted of second degree murder in November 2009.

Source: “Woman convicted of 2nd degree murder,” *The Knoxville News-Sentinel*, November 13, 2009; “Trial Centers Around Intent to Kill,” *The Knoxville News-Sentinel*, November 10, 2009.

Texas

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Names Not Provided

CONVICTED

Date: Between January 1, 2024 and December 31, 2024

People Killed: 16

Circumstances: Between January 1, 2024 and December 31, 2024, the Texas Department of Public Safety reported that two Texas concealed handgun license holders were convicted of capital murder by terror threat/another felon, one Texas concealed handgun license holder was convicted of capital murder of multiple persons, one Texas concealed handgun license holder was convicted of capital murder of person under 10 YOA, nine Texas concealed handgun license holders were convicted of murder, and two Texas concealed handgun license holders were convicted of murder under influence of sudden passion. In its annual report, the Texas Department of Public Safety does not release the offender's name, the exact date of the event, nor the type of weapon used in the homicide.

Source: *Conviction Rates for Handgun License Holders, Reporting Period: 01/01/2024 – 12/31/2024*, Texas Department of Public Safety, www.dps.texas.gov.

Texas

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Names Not Provided

CONVICTED

Date: Between January 1, 2023 and December 31, 2023

People Killed: 13

Circumstances: Between January 1, 2023 and December 31, 2023, the Texas Department of Public Safety reported that two Texas concealed handgun license holders were convicted of capital murder of multiple persons, seven Texas concealed handgun license holders were convicted of murder, and two Texas concealed handgun license holders were convicted of murder under influence of sudden passion. In its annual report, the Texas Department of Public Safety does not release the offender's name, the exact date of the event, nor the type of weapon used in the homicide.

Source: *Conviction Rates for Handgun License Holders, Reporting Period: 01/01/2023 – 12/31/2023*, Texas Department of Public Safety, www.dps.texas.gov.

Texas

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Names Not Provided

CONVICTED

Date: Between January 1, 2022 and December 31, 2022

People Killed: 16

Circumstances: Between January 1, 2022 and December 31, 2022, the Texas Department of Public Safety reported that 16 Texas concealed handgun license holders were convicted of murder. In its annual report, the Texas Department of Public Safety does not release the offender's name, the exact date of the event, nor the type of weapon used in the homicide.

Source: *Conviction Rates for Handgun License Holders, Reporting Period: 01/01/2022 – 12/31/2022*, Texas Department of Public Safety, www.dps.texas.gov.

Texas

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Names Not Provided

CONVICTED

Date: Between January 1, 2021 and December 31, 2021

People Killed: At least 7

Circumstances: Between January 1, 2021 and December 31, 2021, the Texas Department of Public Safety reported that one Texas concealed handgun license holder was convicted of capital murder of multiple persons, and five Texas concealed handgun license holders were convicted of murder. In its annual report, the Texas Department of Public Safety does not release the offender's name, the exact date of the event, nor the type of weapon used in the homicide.

Source: *Conviction Rates for Handgun License Holders, Reporting Period: 01/01/2021 – 12/31/2021*, Texas Department of Public Safety, www.dps.texas.gov.

Texas

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Sgt. Daniel Perry

CONVICTED

Date: July 25, 2020

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On July 25, 2020, concealed handgun permit holder Sgt. Daniel Perry allegedly shot and killed Garrett Foster, 28, during an altercation at a Black Lives Matter protest in Austin, Texas. On the evening of the protest, Perry, who was stationed at Fort Hood, but was working that night as a ride share driver, encountered a group of protesters marching in the street. Videos of the event reportedly show Perry honking his horn and aggressively pulling his vehicle into a group of the marchers. Perry stopped in front of Foster, who was carrying an AK-47-style assault rifle and pushing his fiancée, a quadruple amputee, in a wheelchair. According to witnesses, as Foster approached Perry's car, Perry allegedly shot through the open driver's side window, striking Foster three times in the chest. Foster died at the scene. Perry fled the scene before turning himself in to police. Perry claims he acted in self defense after Foster raised the barrel of his rifle. Both Perry and Foster had concealed handgun permits. Perry was charged with murder, aggravated assault with a deadly weapon, and deadly conduct.

UPDATE: In April 2023, Sgt. Daniel Perry was convicted of murder in the death of Garrett Foster. In May 2023, Perry was sentenced to 25 years in prison with credit for the time he had already served.

Source: "Daniel Perry sentenced to 25 years in protester murder, defense prepares for appeal," *kxan.com*, May 10, 2023; "Daniel Perry will stand trial for murder of BLM protester Garrett Foster," *austinchronicle.com*, July 2, 2021; "What we know about the Austin BLM protest shooting," *nymag.com*, July 27, 2020.

Texas

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Names Not Provided

CONVICTED

Date: Between January 1, 2020 and December 31, 2020

People Killed: 4

Circumstances: Between January 1, 2020 and December 31, 2020, the Texas Department of Public Safety reported that three Texas concealed handgun license holders were convicted of murder, and one Texas concealed handgun license holder was convicted of making a firearm accessible to a child resulting in death. In its annual report, the Texas Department of Public Safety does not release the offender's name, the exact date of the event, nor the type of weapon used in the homicide.

Source: *Conviction Rates for Handgun License Holders, Reporting Period: 01/01/2020 – 12/31/2020*, Texas Department of Public Safety, www.dps.texas.gov.

Texas

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Pvt. Jonathan Lauture

PENDING

Date: June 19, 2019

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On June 19, 2019, concealed handgun permit holder Pvt. Jonathan Lauture allegedly shot and killed Jason Lindsay at Lauture's apartment. Lauture had been beating his wife since March 2019, including beating her with a picture frame on the night of the shooting. Lindsay was attempting to aid Lauture's wife when he went to Lauture's apartment. Lindsay was allegedly shot six times and killed just across the door frame of the apartment. When police arrived Lauture was waiting on his knees with his hands behind his back and his unloaded Glock 19 pistol and a Texas concealed carry permit on the ground next to him. Despite El Paso police noting the couple's "history of family violence," they ruled the shooting a justifiable homicide and Lauture did not face criminal charges. Lauture was reassigned from Fort Bliss to Fort Stewart, Georgia, where he continued to beat, choke, and point his gun at his wife. At Fort Stewart, Lauture's abuse was investigated, and he was convicted by court martial on four counts of spousal battery, four counts of obstructing justice, four counts of disobeying orders, and one count of assault with an unloaded firearm. He was sentenced to two years and one month of confinement and given a dishonorable discharge. Lauture faces a second court martial for the 2019 shooting death of Jason Lindsay.

Source: "Soldier quietly reassigned after killing man, hitting wife finally faces murder charge," *militarytimes.com*, July 13, 2021.

Texas

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Lance Tyler Campbell

CONVICTED

Date: June 18, 2019

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On June 18, 2019, concealed handgun permit holder Lance Tyler Campbell, 27, allegedly shot and killed Michael Haney, 60, outside the Sun Washateria in Houston. Campbell worked for a private security company and was assigned to patrol the shopping center which contained the Washateria. Campbell told investigators that he had kicked Haney, who was homeless, out of the shopping center the day before the shooting and told him not to return. Campbell then encountered Haney the next night as Haney rummaged through a trash can. Campbell claimed that after asking Haney to leave, the homeless man became aggressive and started walking toward him. Campbell stated that he felt threatened and shot Haney. Surveillance footage appeared to contradict Campbell's version of events. The video allegedly showed Campbell kicking over a shopping basket with Haney's belongings before drawing his weapon. Campbell then allegedly shot Haney once in the throat according to prosecutors. The video did not show Haney charging Campbell. According to prosecutors, Campbell waited eight minutes after the shooting before trying to save Haney's life. During that time, Campbell made a phone call, threw a rag from Haney's belongings on top of him, left and returned wearing a pair of rubber gloves, and then started chest compressions which failed to save Haney's life. Campbell was arrested and charged with murder.

UPDATE: In December 2022, Lance Campbell was found guilty of murder in the death of Michael Haney. Campbell was sentenced to seven years in prison.

Source: "Houston security guard convicted in 2019 killing of Urban Animals member," *Houston Chronicle*, December 13, 2022; "Security guard charged with murder in shooting outside Houston washeteria," *Houston Chronicle*, June 19, 2019.

Texas

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Names Not Provided

CONVICTED

Date: Between January 1, 2019 and December 31, 2019

People Killed: At least 19

Circumstances: Between January 1, 2019 and December 31, 2019, the Texas Department of Public Safety reported that seven Texas concealed handgun license holders were convicted of capital murder of multiple persons, and five Texas concealed handgun license holders were convicted of murder. In its annual report, the Texas Department of Public Safety does not release the offender's name, the exact date of the event, nor the type of weapon used in the homicide.

Source: *Conviction Rates for Handgun License Holders, Reporting Period: 01/01/2019 – 12/31/2019*, Texas Department of Public Safety, www.dps.texas.gov.

Texas

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Names Not Provided

CONVICTED

Date: Between January 1, 2018 and December 31, 2018

People Killed: 6

Circumstances: Between January 1, 2018 and December 31, 2018, the Texas Department of Public Safety reported that two Texas concealed handgun license holders were convicted of capital murder by terror threat/other felony, three Texas concealed handgun license holders were convicted of manslaughter, and one Texas concealed handgun license holder was convicted of murder. In its annual report, the Texas Department of Public Safety does not release the offender's name, the exact date of the event, nor the type of weapon used in the homicide.

Source: *Conviction Rates for Handgun License Holders, Reporting Period: 01/01/2018 – 12/31/2018*, Texas Department of Public Safety, www.dps.texas.gov.

Texas

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** William Anthony Hall

CONVICTED

Date: May 31, 2017

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On May 31, 2017, concealed handgun permit holder William Anthony Hall, 71, shot and killed James Garza, 67, following a dispute over a handicapped parking space. On the evening of the shooting, Garza went to a post office to pick up his mail and parked in a handicapped parking space, but did not have a handicapped sticker. Hall confronted Garza about parking in the handicapped spot and the two men argued before Hall shot Garza once in the chest. At Hall's trial, prosecutors argued that he was acting as a vigilante by taking the law into his own hands over a minor misdemeanor. The Assistant District Attorney argued, "That license does not give you a license to kill. You still have to follow the law and if you don't, you're going to be held accountable just like everybody else." Hall was convicted of murder and sentenced to 20 years in prison.

Source: "Man sentenced to 20 years in prison for shooting Houston attorney over handicapped parking spot," *khou.com*, August 1, 2019

Texas

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Santiago Vasquez

CONVICTED

Date: May 30, 2017

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On May 30, 2017 concealed handgun permit holder Santiago Vasquez, 86, shot and killed his next-door neighbor John Seth Jr., 80, with a .38 Special revolver in Killeen, Texas. A witness testified that she saw Vasquez hit Seth twice with a cane, knocking him down, before shooting him three times. Vasquez claimed that it was Seth beating him with the cane when one of the two handguns Vasquez was carrying fell out of his waistband onto the ground. Vasquez claimed both men struggled but he picked it up and shot Seth two times. In addition to the two handguns, Vasquez was carrying a knife with a six-inch blade at the time of the shooting. On May 17, 2019, Vasquez was found guilty of murder in the death of John Seth. On July 11, 2019, Vasquez was sentenced to 14 years in prison.

Sources: "Texas man, 86, gets 14 years over slaying of neighbor, 80," *nbcdfw.com*, July 12, 2019; "Jurors convict local man, 86, of killing neighbor, 80," *kwtx.com*, May 17, 2019; "State rests its case; 86-year-old defendant testifies in Killeen murder trial," *kdhnews.com*, May 15, 2019.

Texas

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** William Francis Kenny

SUICIDE

Date: April 3, 2017

People Killed: 2 (including shooter)

Circumstances: On April 3, 2017, concealed handgun permit holder William Francis Kenny, 64, shot and killed Assistant Chief Deputy Constable Clint Greenwood moments after Greenwood pulled into the parking lot of the courthouse where he worked in Baytown, Texas. Kenny was found dead the next day from a self-inflicted gunshot wound to the head. A website linked to Kenny revealed a long-standing grudge against Harris County, Texas police, which started after a 2012 complaint made to police about Kenny by Kenny's then father-in-law. Clint Greenwood's name was mentioned on the website several times. Ballistics confirmed that the same 9mm Taurus pistol found on Kenny was used to murder Greenwood. The photo on Kenny's concealed carry license was used to match him to surveillance video from Greenwood's murder.

Sources: "Ballistics prove Houston cop killer used same gun on himself, investigators confirm," www.chron.com, April 14, 2017; "Closer look at Asst. Chief Deputy Greenwood's murder suspect," www.abc13.com, April 10, 2017; "Deputy constable killed in ambush mourned as 'cop's cop'," www.houstonchronicle.com, April 4, 2017.

Texas

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Olishea Lashawn Smith

CONVICTED

Date: March 4, 2017

People Killed: 2

Circumstances: On March 4, 2017, concealed carry permit holder Olishea Lashawn Smith, 30, shot and killed Dexter Lamont Prather, 42, and Damion Hopkins, 27, with a revolver in a Harker Heights nightclub. According to the testimony of Club Empire co-owner Frederick Henderson, Prather and Hopkins were engaged in a fist fight over a game of dice because Prather had put weighted dice into the game. Smith then fired five shots from 10 feet away, killing both men. Prather died at the scene and Hopkins later died after being rushed to Seton Medical Center. Neither man was found to have any weapons. Smith, who initially fled the scene, turned herself in several days later and surrendered her weapon. In her testimony, she claimed that multiple people had joined the fight against Prather, with whom she had been in a four-year relationship, and fired when she saw a man with a gun approach the fight. She added that she was not firing at anyone specifically. The entire incident from start to finish lasted less than a minute. On Monday, December 3, 2018, Smith was sentenced to two 35-year prison terms to be served consecutively after pleading guilty to both murders in June. She will be eligible for parole in 17 years.

Source: "Waco woman sentenced in 2017 Heights double murder," *kdnews.com*, December 3, 2018.

Texas

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Names Not Provided

CONVICTED

Date: Between January 1, 2017 and December 31, 2017

People Killed: 8

Circumstances: Between January 1, 2017 and December 31, 2017, the Texas Department of Public Safety reported that two Texas concealed handgun license holders were convicted of capital murder by terror threat/other felony, three Texas concealed handgun license holders were convicted of manslaughter, and three Texas concealed handgun license holders were convicted of murder. In its annual report, the Texas Department of Public Safety does not release the offender's name, the exact date of the event, nor the type of weapon used in the homicide.

Source: *Conviction Rates for Handgun License Holders, Reporting Period: 01/01/2017 – 12/31/2017*, Texas Department of Public Safety, www.dps.texas.gov.

Texas

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Names Not Provided

CONVICTED

Date: Between January 1, 2016 and December 31, 2016

People Killed: 12

Circumstances: Between January 1, 2016 and December 31, 2016, the Texas Department of Public Safety reported that two Texas concealed handgun license holders were convicted of capital murder by terror threat/other felony, two Texas concealed handgun license holders were convicted of capital murder of multiple persons (resulting in at least four deaths), two Texas concealed handgun license holders were convicted of criminally negligent homicide, two Texas concealed handgun license holders were convicted of manslaughter, and two Texas concealed handgun license holders were convicted of murder. In its annual report, the Texas Department of Public Safety does not release the offender's name, the exact date of the event, nor the type of weapon used in the homicide.

Source: *Conviction Rates for Handgun License Holders, Reporting Period: 01/01/2016 – 12/31/2016*, Texas Department of Public Safety, www.dps.texas.gov.

Texas

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Unknown

PENDING

Date: December 11, 2016

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On December 11, 2016, an unknown concealed handgun permit holder allegedly shot and killed another driver on the Southwest Freeway in Houston after a minor accident. One of the drivers got upset and stopped his car, which made other vehicles stop. After a physical altercation on the side of the road between two drivers, one of the drivers shot and killed the other, according to police. The shooter, who has a concealed carry permit, was detained by police.

Source: "Fatal shooting after accident on Southwest Freeway," *abc13.com*, December 11, 2016.

Texas

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Names Not Provided

CONVICTED

Date: Between January 1, 2015 and December 31, 2015

People Killed: 3

Circumstances: Between January 1, 2015 and December 31, 2015, the Texas Department of Public Safety reported that three Texas concealed handgun license holders were convicted of murder. In its annual report, the Texas Department of Public Safety does not release the offender's name, the exact date of the event, nor the type of weapon used in the homicide.

Source: *Conviction Rates for Handgun License Holders, Reporting Period: 01/01/2015 – 12/31/2015*, Texas Department of Public Safety, www.dps.texas.gov.

Texas

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Names Not Provided

CONVICTED

Date: Between January 1, 2014 and December 31, 2014

People Killed: 2

Circumstances: Between January 1, 2014 and December 31, 2014, the Texas Department of Public Safety reported that two Texas concealed handgun license holders were convicted of capital murder while remuneration (murder for hire). In its annual report, the Texas Department of Public Safety does not release the offender's name, the exact date of the event, nor the type of weapon used in the homicide.

Source: *Conviction Rates for Handgun License Holders, Reporting Period: 01/01/2014 - 12/31/2014*, Texas Department of Public Safety, www.dps.texas.gov.

Texas

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Name Not Provided

CONVICTED

Date: Between January 1, 2014 and December 31, 2014

People Killed: 3

Circumstances: Between January 1, 2014 and December 31, 2014, the Texas Department of Public Safety reported that three Texas concealed handgun license holders were convicted of manslaughter. In its annual report, the Texas Department of Public Safety does not release the offender's name, the exact date of the event, nor the type of weapon used in the homicide.

Source: *Conviction Rates for Handgun License Holders, Reporting Period: 01/01/2014 - 12/31/2014*, Texas Department of Public Safety, www.dps.texas.gov.

Texas

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Name Not Provided

CONVICTED

Date: Between January 1, 2014 and December 31, 2014

People Killed: 3

Circumstances: Between January 1, 2014 and December 31, 2014, the Texas Department of Public Safety reported three Texas concealed handgun license holders convicted of murder that were not already included in *Concealed Carry Killers*. In its annual report, the Texas Department of Public Safety does not release the offender's name, the exact date of the event, nor the type of weapon used in the homicide.

Source: *Conviction Rates for Handgun License Holders, Reporting Period: 01/01/2014 - 12/31/2014*, Texas Department of Public Safety, www.dps.texas.gov.

Texas

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Names Not Provided

CONVICTED

Date: Between January 1, 2013 and December 31, 2013

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: Between January 1, 2013 and December 31, 2013, the Texas Department of Public Safety reported that one Texas concealed handgun license holder was convicted of capital murder by terror threat/other felony. In its annual report, the Texas Department of Public Safety does not release the offender's name, the exact date of the event, nor the type of weapon used in the homicide.

Source: *Conviction Rates for Concealed Handgun License Holders, Reporting Period: 01/01/2013 - 12/31/2013*, Texas Department of Public Safety, www.dps.texas.gov.

Texas

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Name Not Provided

CONVICTED

Date: Between January 1, 2013 and December 31, 2013

People Killed: 3

Circumstances: Between January 1, 2013 and December 31, 2013, the Texas Department of Public Safety reported that three Texas concealed handgun license holders were convicted of murder. In its annual report, the Texas Department of Public Safety does not release the offender's name, the exact date of the event, nor the type of weapon used in the homicide.

Source: *Conviction Rates for Concealed Handgun License Holders, Reporting Period: 01/01/2013 - 12/31/2013*, Texas Department of Public Safety, www.dps.texas.gov.

Texas

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Dennis Roy Redding

CONVICTED

Date: June 23, 2012

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On June 23, 2012, concealed handgun permit holder Dennis Roy Redding, 63, allegedly shot and killed Dr. Mark K. Holcomb, 61, following an argument at the oral surgeon's weekend home. Redding is a retired Houston police officer and former security officer at the Johnson Space Center. Redding and Holcomb were friends who had a falling out and were reportedly working to patch up their relationship. Following a disagreement, Redding left the living room of Holcomb's house, retrieved a .380 pistol from his luggage, returned to the living room, and allegedly shot Holcomb in the stomach. Holcomb died at the hospital a few hours later. Others present at the house grabbed Redding and held him until police arrived. Redding was arrested and charged with murder.

UPDATE: On May 12, 2014, Dennis Roy Redding was found guilty of manslaughter in the death of Dr. Mark Holcomb. Redding faces up to 20 years in prison.

Source: "Ex-Houston officer convicted in dentist slaying," *click2houston.com*, May 14, 2014; "Retired cop gets murder charge," *Galveston Daily News*, June 24, 2012.

Texas

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Unidentified

PENDING

Date: May 17, 2012

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On May 17, 2012, an unidentified concealed handgun permit holder allegedly shot Tyrza Smith, 26, during a robbery at a Family Dollar store. According to police, two masked men entered the store around 10:00 PM. As the men approached Smith and demanded money, a customer who was armed and had a concealed handgun permit pulled his gun and exchanged gunfire with the robbers. Smith was shot in the chest and killed, and the two suspects fled in the customer's rental car. One of the alleged robbers was later arrested, while a second suspect is still at large. According to police, the bullet that killed Tyrza Smith came from the concealed handgun permit holder's gun.

Source: "Arrest made in deadly shooting at Family Dollar store," *abclocal.go.com*, May 31, 2012; "Still no arrests after fatal gunfight at Family Dollar," *myfoxhouston.com*, May 23, 2012; "HPD: Young, female Family Dollar clerk killed in gunfight between robbers, customer," *khou.com*, May 18, 2012.

Texas

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Names Not Provided

CONVICTED

Date: Between January 1, 2012 and December 31, 2012

People Killed: 2

Circumstances: Between January 1, 2012 and December 31, 2012, the Texas Department of Public Safety reported that two Texas concealed handgun license holders were convicted of criminal homicide. In its annual report, the Texas Department of Public Safety does not release the offender's name, the exact date of the event, nor the type of weapon used in the homicide.

Source: *Conviction Rates for Concealed Handgun License Holders, Reporting Period: 01/01/2012 - 12/31/2012*, Texas Department of Public Safety, www.dps.texas.gov.

Texas

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Names Not Provided

CONVICTED

Date: Between January 1, 2011 and December 31, 2011

People Killed: 6

Circumstances: Between January 1, 2011 and December 31, 2011, the Texas Department of Public Safety reported that six Texas concealed handgun license holders were convicted of criminal homicide. In its annual report, the Texas Department of Public Safety does not release the offender's name, the exact date of the event, nor the type of weapon used in the homicide.

Source: *Conviction Rates for Concealed Handgun License Holders, Reporting Period: 01/01/2011 - 12/31/2011*, Texas Department of Public Safety, www.dps.texas.gov.

Texas

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Name Not Provided

CONVICTED

Date: Between January 1, 2011 and December 31, 2011

People Killed: at least 2

Circumstances: Between January 1, 2011 and December 31, 2011, the Texas Department of Public Safety reported that one Texas concealed handgun license holder was convicted of capital murder of multiple persons. The report does not detail the specific number of deaths, but it must be no fewer than two. In its annual report, the Texas Department of Public Safety does not release the offender's name, the exact date of the event, nor the type of weapon used in the homicide.

Source: *Conviction Rates for Concealed Handgun License Holders, Reporting Period: 01/01/2011 - 12/31/2011*, Texas Department of Public Safety, www.dps.texas.gov.

Texas

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** William Franklin

PENDING

Date: November 21, 2011

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On November 21, 2011, concealed handgun permit holder William Franklin, 81, was traveling in his pickup truck on I-40 near Shamrock, Texas when he allegedly grazed the side of 65-year-old concealed handgun permit holder William Thompson Nardin's rented Chevrolet Impala. Both men were traveling with their wives to Thanksgiving gatherings. The Impala was not badly damaged and Nardin called 911 to report the incident while Franklin continued to drive further west. Approximately 30 minutes later, Nardin pulled in to Allsup's Convenience Store where Franklin was filling his truck with gas. The vehicles were parked on opposite sides of the gas pump, and Nardin approached the pickup as Franklin sat inside. An argument ensued, and Franklin allegedly fired several shots with a .38 revolver through his truck's door and driver's side window. Nardin was hit in the upper chest and died. Franklin was charged with murder and posted a \$75,000 cash bond.

Source: "Shooting victim said to be man in charge," *amarillo.com*, November 22, 2011.

Texas

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Tan Do

SUICIDE

Date: July 23, 2011

People Killed: 6 (including shooter)

Circumstances: On July 23, 2011, concealed handgun permit holder Tan Do, 35, opened fire at his son's 11th birthday party being held at the Forum Roller World in Grand Prairie, Texas, killing the boy's mother and four members of her family before taking his own life. The rink was closed for the private party which was attended by approximately 30 family and friends. Do asked his children to leave the area before he began the attack. According to news reports, Do's wife had obtained a protective order against him in December 2010 but had withdrawn it later against a prosecutor's advice "because she wanted to give him another chance." Do was reported to have been a domestic abuser who had threatened his wife with firearms. Walt Hedrick, owner of the roller rink, told reporters, "Kids were having fun and all of a sudden Bang! Bang! Bang!"

Source: "Police Offer Counseling After Roller Rink Rampage," *publicbroadcasting.net*, July 25, 2011; "'I hope I'm making the right decision': Wife of Texas gunman withdrew protection order against him months before he shot her and family dead at son's roller rink birthday party," *MailOnline*, July 25, 2011.

Texas

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Names Not Provided

CONVICTED

Date: Between January 1, 2010 and December 31, 2010

People Killed: 6

Circumstances: Between January 1, 2010 and December 31, 2010, the Texas Department of Public Safety reported that six Texas concealed handgun license holders were convicted of criminal homicide. In its annual report, the Texas Department of Public Safety does not release the offender's name, the exact date of the event, nor the type of weapon used in the homicide.

Source: *Conviction Rates for Concealed Handgun License Holders, Reporting Period: 01/01/2010 - 12/31/2010*, Texas Department of Public Safety, www.dps.texas.gov.

Texas

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Raul Rodriguez

CONVICTED

Date: May 2010

People Killed : 1

Circumstances: In May 2010, concealed handgun permit holder Raul Rodriguez, 47, shot and killed elementary school teacher Kelly Danaher, 36. Rodriguez, a retired firefighter, was angry over the noise coming from a night-time birthday party for Danaher's wife and went over to Danaher's home carrying his handgun while recording the interaction on video. In the 22-minute video, Rodriguez is heard telling a 911 operator "my life is in danger now" and "these people are going to go try and kill me" as well as, "I'm standing my ground here." When someone appeared to confront Rodriguez and grab his camera, he fired, killing Danaher, who was in his driveway, and injuring two other men, one of whom was a Houston Fire Department captain. During his murder trial in 2012, Rodriguez invoked Texas' "Stand Your Ground" law in his defense of shooting the three unarmed men, a claim that the prosecution, using the permit holder's own video evidence, dismissed. The Harris County Assistant District Attorney told the court that Rodriguez made sure to use all of the "CHL [Concealed Handgun License] buzzwords" that he had learned in his concealed carry class. According to news reports, Rodriguez's attorney said that he was the type of concealed handgun permit holder who "wears a holstered gun and an extra clip just to go outside." During the trial, "One neighbor testified that Rodriguez bragged about his guns and said a person could avoid prosecution in a shooting by telling authorities you were in fear of your life and were standing your ground and defending yourself." In June 2012 Raul Rodriguez was convicted of murder and sentenced to 40 years in prison.

UPDATE: On December 18, 2014, Houston's First Court of Appeals ruled that the jury's instructions on Texas' self-defense law were so confusing that Rodriguez did not receive a fair trial and ordered a new trial in the case.

UPDATE: On November 24, 2015, Raul Rodriguez was sentenced to life in prison for the murder of Kelly Danaher.

Source: "Raul Rodriguez gets life in prison for killing teacher," *khou.com*, November 24, 2015; "Court overturns 'stand your ground' conviction," *Houston Chronicle*, December 18, 2014; "Raul Rodriguez, Texas man, gets 40 years in prison for fatally shooting neighbor after claiming 'stand your ground' defense," *cbsnews.com*, June 28, 2012; "In Texas, 'stand your ground' case leads to murder conviction," *latimes.com*, June 14, 2012; "Texas man convicted in stand-your-ground case," *usatoday.com*, June 14, 2012; "Courts: Self-defense case hinges on video of incident," *Houston Chronicle*, June 6, 2012.

Texas

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Ronnie Cook

CONVICTED

Date: May 13, 2009

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On May 13, 2009, concealed handgun permit holder Ronnie Cook exchanged gunfire with police in an hours-long standoff during which Cook wore a bulletproof vest. The standoff began after Cook phoned a woman and told her that he had killed his wife. The woman then called police. When officers eventually entered Cook's home, they found his wife Darlene dead in the bathroom with a single gunshot wound to the head. Police also found at least five guns and significant amounts of ammunition. According to the assistant district attorney for Anderson County, authorities believed Cook shot his wife as she sat on the toilet. He called the shooting a "cold-blooded and calculated murder." In January 2010, Cook pleaded guilty to one count of murder and four counts of attempted murder against the responding officers. Cook had been a police officer in the 1970s and was an instructor for Cook's Concealed Carry as was his deceased wife. The Cooks had taught concealed handgun permit classes on their property using a mobile home converted into an indoor firing range. He was still listed as such on the Texas Concealed Handgun Association's directory of instructors after he was sentenced to life imprisonment.

Source: "Cook sentenced to life in prison," *Palestine Herald-Press*, January 16, 2010; "Man charged with attempted capital murder after standoff," *Palestine Herald-Press*, May 15, 2009.

Texas

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Name Not Provided

CONVICTED

Date: Between January 1, 2008 and December 31, 2008

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: Between January 1, 2008 and December 31, 2008 the Texas Department of Public Safety reported that three Texas concealed handgun permit holders had been convicted of murder. This is one of those convictions.

Source: "Conviction Rates for Concealed Handgun License Holders, Reporting Period: 01/01/2008 - 12/31/2008," www.txdps.state.tx.us.

Texas

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Name Not Provided

CONVICTED

Date: Between January 1, 2008 and December 31, 2008

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: Between January 1, 2008 and December 31, 2008 the Texas Department of Public Safety reported that three Texas concealed handgun permit holders had been convicted of murder. This is one of those convictions.

Source: "Conviction Rates for Concealed Handgun License Holders, Reporting Period: 01/01/2008 - 12/31/2008," www.txdps.state.tx.us.

Texas

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Name Not Provided

CONVICTED

Date: Between January 1, 2008 and December 31, 2008

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: Between January 1, 2008 and December 31, 2008 the Texas Department of Public Safety reported that three Texas concealed handgun permit holders had been convicted of murder. This is one of those convictions.

Source: "Conviction Rates for Concealed Handgun License Holders , Reporting Period: 01/01/2008 - 12/31/2008," www.txdps.state.tx.us.

Texas

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Name Not Provided

CONVICTED

Date: Between January 1, 2009 and December 31, 2009

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: Between January 1, 2009 and December 31, 2009 the Texas Department of Public Safety reported that one Texas concealed handgun permit holder had been convicted of murder.

Source: "Conviction Rates for Concealed Handgun License Holders, Reporting Period: 01/01/2009 - 12/31/2009," www.txdps.state.tx.us.

Texas

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Moises Gonzalez

SUICIDE

Date: December 30, 2008

People Killed: 2 (including shooter)

Circumstances: On December 30, 2008, Moises Gonzalez, 28, embarked on a two-day crime spree that began when he fired shots into ex-girlfriend Maura Marroquin's car in a busy McAllen intersection. Gonzalez then kidnapped Marroquin, 23 and the mother of a three-year-old, at gunpoint and commenced a series of crimes spread over approximately a dozen jurisdictions that included stealing four cars, brandishing a gun at victims, and eluding police in high-speed chases. At one point, McAllen police took the unusual step of calling a press conference to warn the public about Gonzalez's growing propensity for violence. Gonzalez, who had a concealed handgun permit, eventually killed Marroquin in an H.E.B. supermarket, shooting her twice in the torso. He then stole a Cadillac which he crashed into the entrance of a Wal-Mart, plowing through the check-out aisles. He then turned his gun on himself, ending his life. Hidalgo County Sheriff Lupe Trevino told reporters that he had never seen a more violent crime spree in more than 20 years as a law enforcement officer, stating, "It was very obvious this was going to end violently. Sure as hell, that's the way it turned out."

Source: "New Year's murder-suicide in Texas stores," *Associated Press* at dallasnews.com, January 2, 2009; "Murder-suicide perpetrator described as 'very jealous person,'" *themonitor.com*, January 2, 2009; "Two dead in crime spree, man goes on rampage killing ex-girlfriend, self," *brownsvilleherald.com*, January 1, 2009.

Texas

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Alan Godin

CONVICTED

Date: October 13, 2008

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On October 13, 2008, concealed handgun permit holder Alan Godin, 64, shot and killed fellow librarian Devin Zimmerman, 37, in the school library of Northeast Lakeview College. According to witnesses, Godin walked into the library, approached Zimmerman at the front desk, put on ear protection, and then shot him five times with his pistol. He then sat down at a desk, put his head down, and waited for police. Zimmerman had recently been given a full-time tenure track position at the library that Godin had desired. At the trial, fellow librarian Robert Vaughn, his “voice quivering,” described the aftermath of the shooting: “He was gasping for air and he was trying to talk. I was...just trying to reassure him. I kept telling him that it was going to be alright, we were going to get through it.” Jurors rejected an insanity defense presented by Godin’s attorneys and convicted him of murder. Zimmerman’s widow, who had been pregnant at the time of his death, wept as the decision was announced. Godin was convicted of first degree murder and sentenced to 25 years and a fine of \$10,000.

Source: “NLC librarian sentenced 25 years for murder,” *www.theranger.org*, October 14, 2010; “College librarian is found guilty of murder,” *San Antonio Express-News*, October 13, 2010; “Godin found guilty in shooting death of librarian,” *www.theranger.org*, October 12, 2010; “Defendant claims insanity at library murder trial,” *San Antonio Express-News*, October 7, 2010.

Utah

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Aaron Jay Pierce

CONVICTED

Date: May 28, 2016

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On May 28, 2016, concealed handgun permit holder Aaron Jay Pierce, 24, allegedly shot and killed Maluolefale Toala, 30, following a traffic altercation. Pierce was a passenger in a pickup truck driven by his brother, who made a “yelping” sound, startling Toala, who was riding his skateboard when the Pierce’s truck passed him. Pierce told police that Toala caught up with the truck at a red light, smacked his hand on the trailer the truck was towing, and said, “F--- you, punks.” Pierce then got out of the truck, pointed his gun at Toala and told him to get on the ground. According to police, Pierce’s description of what happened next has been inconsistent. At first Pierce claimed that Toala was swinging his skateboard at Pierce, but later said he never actually swung the board, but that Toala had it “cocked back” when Pierce allegedly shot and killed Toala. A witness waiting at the red light in the next lane said she saw Pierce get out of the truck and hold a gun close to Toala’s chest, but said the light turned green and she pulled away and did not see the shooting. Pierce was charged with murder.

UPDATE: In November 2018, Pierce was convicted of manslaughter and sentenced to one to 15 years in prison. The judge in the case noted, “The harm is huge. When a life is taken, the punishment needs to fit the crime.”

Source: “‘The harm is huge’: Judge orders prison for Utahn who shot, killed longboarder,” *deseretnews.com*, November 30, 2018; “Utah man to stand trial on murder charge in skateboarder’s fatal shooting,” *The Salt Lake Tribune*, October 14, 2016.

Utah

■ Concealed Handgun Permit Holder: Heneli Kaufusi

CONVICTED

Date: October 14, 2015

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On October 14, 2015, concealed handgun permit holder Heneli Kaufusi, 36, killed Sione Mangisi, 37, outside Kaufusi's home in Bountiful, Utah. According to police reports, an argument ensued between the two men when Mangisi arrived to pick up his three children who, along with his ex-wife, lived with Kaufusi. Kaufusi, listed in police records as six feet four inches tall and 330 pounds, punched, kicked, and stomped on the victim's head and chest multiple times during the argument. Mangisi was taken to a local hospital where he died. Kaufusi later said he had a gun nearby during the fight but did not use it because he didn't intend to kill Mangisi, and that if he had wanted to kill him he would have shot him. Kaufusi pleaded guilty to manslaughter and aggravated assault and was sentenced to two terms of one to 15 years in the Utah State Prison.

Sources: "I did not want him to die that day," says Bountiful man who killed wife's ex-husband," www.deseretnews.com, March 29, 2017; "Utah man pleads guilty in beating death of his girlfriend's ex-husband," www.sltrib.com, February 1, 2017.

Utah

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Larry Kent Graff

CONVICTED

Date: December 18, 2014

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On December 18, 2014, concealed handgun permit holder Larry Kent Graff, 54, shot and killed Candice Christina Melo, 26, outside his home in Sandy, Utah. The incident began when Graff let Melo, who had been living at the house temporarily, and her boyfriend, Michael Grimsley, into the house around midnight on the 18th. According to Graff, Melo was looking for Graff's girlfriend Tannel Jensen, because Melo thought Jensen had slept with Grimsley. Graff went to bed after Jensen arrived at the house, but not before giving her a 9mm handgun for protection. Later, hearing cries for help from Jensen, he came out of the bedroom carrying a 22 caliber pistol. According to Graff, Melo was standing in a hallway holding Graff's laptop and despite being asked by Graff to leave, continued to move about the house. When Melo and Grimsley left the house with his laptop, Graff gave chase, firing his pistol resulting in Melo's death. During cross-examination, Graff stated that based on his weapons permit training class, he had a right to defend his home and property. Graff was convicted of manslaughter.

Source: "Utah man convicted of manslaughter in driveway shooting that killed roommate," *The Salt Lake Tribune*, September 10, 2016; "'You have a right to protect your castle,' accused killer tells Utah jury," *The Salt Lake Tribune*, September 8, 2016.

Utah

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Mary Nance Hanson

CONVICTED

Date: January 29, 2010

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On January 29, 2010, 70-year-old Mary Nance Hanson allegedly shot and killed her ex-daughter-in law Tetyana Nikitina—a single mother of two, ages seven and nine—as she was leaving the Head Start school where she worked. Hanson allegedly fired five shots from her 38-caliber revolver as Nikitina sat behind the wheel of her Dodge Magnum. Nikitina was struck in the head and her car rolled into a parked minivan. Nikitina’s fiancée Rod Hernandez was on the phone with her when Hanson allegedly fired several shots at Nikitina, stopped to reload, and then fired several more rounds. Hanson called 911 from the parking lot and told dispatchers she had shot Nikitina. Hanson, a concealed handgun permit holder, was arrested on investigation of murder.

UPDATE: On August 18, 2010, Hanson pleaded guilty to murder, and in a note to the judge explained, “My physical health is deteriorating rapidly, and I do not believe it would be in the best interests of taxpayers or of myself to pursue a trial.” In court, Hanson told the judge, “I would like to be sent forthwith to the prison, and I would like to request death by lethal injection.” When told her case was not eligible for the death penalty, she responded, “Well, then, I guess I didn’t do a good enough job.” Hanson faces a sentence of 15 years to life in prison.

Source: “Killed for custody,” *Salt Lake City Weekly*, October 6, 2010; “Police say teacher was killed by former mother-in-law,” *Deseret News*, January 31, 2010; “70-year-old arrested in fatal shooting,” *Salt Lake Tribune*, January 30, 2010.

Utah

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Justin Matern

SUICIDE

Date: December 17, 2009

People Killed: 4 (including shooter)

Circumstances: On December 17, 2009, Justin Matern shot and killed his wife and two sons, ages six and four, before turning the gun on himself. Matern killed his family members at the apartment his wife had moved into after leaving him. Prior to the shooting, Matern wrote a note he left at work describing his plans. He also sent text messages after the killings. The couple had experienced money problems including state-imposed tax liens in 2004 and 2008. Relatives said that Matern was distraught over the separation from his wife. Matern's daughter said that he obtained his concealed handgun permit when the family had previously lived in a Salt Lake City neighborhood that he feared was unsafe.

Source: "Murdered family had money troubles, anxieties," *Salt Lake Tribune*, December 19, 2009.

Utah

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** David Ragsdale

CONVICTED

Date: January 6, 2008

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On January 6, 2008, David Ragsdale shot his wife Kristy 12 times, killing her. In 2005, Ragsdale took a concealed-weapons permit class and received a concealed handgun permit. On November 26, 2008, Ragsdale pled guilty to aggravated murder. According to the terms of his plea agreement, he was to be sentenced to 20 years to life in prison. In an interview with the *Deseret News*, Ragsdale claimed that he would not have killed his wife if he did not have access to a gun. "I probably would have parked my car, sat there and regained my composure," he stated.

Source: "Ragsdale is bound over for trial in wife's slaying," *Deseret Morning News*, June 3, 2008; "David Ragsdale pleads guilty to killing his wife," *Daily Herald*, November 26, 2008; "Access to gun lead to shooting wife, Ragsdale says in exclusive interview," *Deseret News*, March 19, 2009.

Utah

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Eugene C. Wright

CONVICTED

Date: November 15, 2007

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On November 15, 2007, Eugene C. Wright allegedly shot and killed Utah Valley State College hockey coach Kenneth Dolezsar outside of the Village Inn restaurant in Sandy, Utah. A witness claimed to see Wright and Dolezsar arguing in the parking lot, followed by Wright shooting Dolezsar. A Sandy Police detective testified that he found a shell casing from a 9mm Springfield Armory pistol during a search of Wright's condo. A ballistics test by the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives showed that the shell casing was fired from the same gun as five shell casings found at the scene of the murder. Wright had a concealed handgun permit according to the Sandy Police. Wright was charged with murder and aggravated robbery.

UPDATE: On April 30, 2010, a jury of three men and five women deliberated for 11 hours before finding Wright guilty of first-degree felony counts of murder and aggravated robbery for shooting and killing Dolezsar and then stealing his SUV.

Source: "Jury reaches guilty verdict in Wright murder trial," *Salt Lake Tribune*, May 1, 2010; "Arrest made in coach's shooting death," *The Salt Lake Tribune*, February 29, 2008; "Shooting suspect to stand trial," *Daily Herald*, April 25, 2008.

Virginia

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** DeWayne Craddock

SHOT AND KILLED DURING INCIDENT

Date: May 31, 2019

People Killed: 13 (including shooter)

Circumstances: On May 31, 2019, concealed handgun permit holder DeWayne Craddock, 40, shot and killed 12 people and wounded five others at the Virginia Beach Municipal Center before being shot and killed by police. Craddock was an employee of the city's public utilities department and according to the FBI, "[W]as motivated by perceived workplace grievances, which he fixated on for years." The FBI found that Craddock's perceived grievances dated back to 2014 and, "Violence was viewed by the shooter as a way to reconcile this conflict and restore his perverted view of justice." In 2017, Craddock finalized a divorce from his wife and began having performance issues at work. According to a report by the Virginia Beach Police Department, "The suspect's ex-wife observed that the suspect exhibited signs of paranoia and relayed that he believed others were talking about him." Craddock legally purchased six firearms from 2006 to 2019 and also obtained a concealed carry permit and license for a firearm silencer.

Source: "Virginia Beach mass shooter 'fixated' on workplace grievances, FBI says," *foxnews.com*, June 9, 2021; "May 31, 2019 Final Investigation Summary Report," Virginia Beach Police Department, March 2021.

Virginia

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Kimberly Gollop

CONVICTED

Date: August 5, 2017

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On August 5, 2017, concealed carry permit holder Kimberly Gollop, 48, shot and killed Felicia Poindexter, 46, with a six-shot .357 Magnum revolver in a parking lot outside a Family Dollar store in Roanoke, Virginia. Poindexter, a mother of four, died in the hospital a few hours later from a single shot to her stomach. Prosecutors labeled the attack premeditated, noting that the only items in Gollop's purse at the time were a single dollar bill, her concealed weapons permit, and the handgun she used to kill Poindexter. Gollop also shot and injured David Gravely, who was in a nearby Mercedes with Poindexter's four-year-old twin daughters. Gravely and Gollop had been in a previous long-term relationship. Gollop told police that Poindexter and Gravely had been harassing and threatening her. When Gravely saw Gollop shoot Poindexter, he began to drive away when he was hit by a Chrysler 300 driven by Gollop's son. Gollop then fired two shots at the Mercedes, hitting Gravely in the leg. Prior to the shooting, both Gravely and Gollop had obtained protective orders against one another but the orders had not been served by officers by the time of the shooting. Gollop pleaded guilty to first-degree murder, malicious wounding, and two firearms offenses. On January 17, 2019, Gollop was sentenced to 48 years in prison.

Sources: "Roanoke woman sentenced to 48 years for fatal Family Dollar shooting," *wsls.com*, January 17, 2019; "Roanoke woman pleads guilty to murder, days before trial in fatal Family Dollar shooting," *roanoke.com*, October, 24, 2018; "Victim identified in deadly Roanoke Family Dollar shooting," *wsls.com*, August 07, 2017.

Virginia

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Bernard Clark Duse Jr.

CONVICTED

Date: July 26, 2017

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On July 26, 2017, concealed handgun permit holder Bernard Clark Duse Jr., 76, allegedly shot and killed Rex Mack Olsen, 54, behind the CVS store in Warrenton, Virginia, where both men worked. Olsen was Duse's manager at the CVS and Duse allegedly held a grudge against him. Duse reportedly waited near the dumpster behind the CVS for Olsen to take out the trash, then allegedly shot him execution-style to the back of the head before shooting him again in the face after he fell to the ground. According to prosecutors, Duse has a long history of paranoia and holding grudges against his bosses. Duse was charged with first degree murder.

UPDATE: On August 3, 2018, Bernard Duse was found guilty of first degree murder in the death of Rex Olsen. Duse was sentenced to life in prison plus three years for the use of a firearm in the commission of a murder.

Source: "After survivors' testimony, jury gives life sentence," *fauquiernow.com*, August 4, 2018; "Jury: Bernard Duse guilty in murder of Culpeper resident Rex Olsen," *fredericksburg.com*, August 3, 2018; "UPDATED: Accused Warrenton CVS killer appeals for bond in circuit court," *fauquier.com*, August 21, 2017.

Virginia

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Drew Cloeter

SUICIDE

Date: April 26, 2016

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On April 26, 2016, concealed handgun permit holder Drew Cloeter, 25, shot and killed himself in his newly purchased home. Cloeter was discovered by a friend who checked in on him after receiving distraught text messages the night before. According to his mother, Cloeter had been upset about a recent break-up with his girlfriend and unexpected expensive repairs his new house required. After his death, his mother told a reporter, "And I guess everything just started looking worse than it actually was. And he had a gun."

Sources: "Roanoke County mother seeks answers following son's suicide," www.roanoke.com, October 10, 2016.

Virginia

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Nicholas Clavier

UNINTENTIONAL

Date: October 24, 2015

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On October 24, 2015, concealed handgun permit holder Nicolas Clavier, 32, unintentionally shot himself while driving with his four children on a fishing trip. According to Clavier's father-in-law, when Clavier drove, he would take his gun out of his waistband and place it beside him in his vehicle. Clavier and his children ages nine, eight, six, and four had stopped for candy and were on their way to pick up worms for their fishing trip when Clavier suddenly veered off the road and crashed into the woods. It is presumed that the gun discharged as a result of the crash, striking Clavier in the head. Clavier died in the hospital the next day. The children were unharmed.

Source: "How father fatally shot himself accidentally while driving remains a mystery," *richmond.com*, February 3, 2016.

Virginia

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Laurence Smith

CONVICTED

Date: March 16, 2015

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On March 16, 2015, concealed handgun permit holder Laurence Smith, 37, allegedly shot and killed her husband, Sean Smith, 44. The couple lived in Spotsylvania County, Virginia. Their two daughters, ages six and nine, were at home during the shooting. Smith told police that she “pulled the trigger” but the shooting was unintentional. According to her defense attorney, Smith thought she was holding an unloaded gun. “She said there was some disagreement, a disagreement about guns, maintaining the guns, or securing the guns,” the defense attorney said. One of the daughters said the couple was fighting about a gun case, while the other child said the fight was about a scratch on the gun. According to news reports, Sean Smith was a hunter who owned many firearms, but the .380 gun used in the shooting belonged to Laurence Smith, not her husband. Laurence Smith has been charged with second-degree murder and use of a firearm in the commission of a felony.

UPDATE: In December 2015, Laurence Smith was found guilty of manslaughter in the death of Sean Smith, and the jury recommended the maximum sentence of 10 years in prison.

Source: “2015 was a deadly year around the Fredericksburg region,” *fredericksburg.com*, January 3, 2016; “No bond for Spotsylvania woman who shot, killed husband,” *The Free Lance-Star*, April 2, 2015.

Virginia

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Corey C. Bowden

CONVICTED

Date: September 11, 2014

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On September 11, 2014, concealed handgun permit holder Corey C. Bowden, 42, shot and killed his wife Delesha C. Bowden, 27 with a 9mm pistol. The couple were having marital problems, and on the day of the killing, Bowden reportedly called his son, telling him that “his efforts to win her back didn’t turn out.” According to his son, Bowden said during the phone call that he planned to kill his wife and himself. Bowden’s son did not initially take his father seriously, and even after another phone call in which his father said that he had killed her and was going to kill himself, he did not immediately call 911. After driving around with his girlfriend trying to decide what to do, Bowden’s son eventually called 911, initially reporting that he received an anonymous call that something bad had happened at his father’s home before admitting that his father had told him he had killed his wife. When the first officer arrived at the scene, Delesha Bowden was naked and gasping for air but still alive, with a gunshot wound above her right eye. She died approximately six hours later at the hospital. Bowden claimed the shooting was an accident but in September 2015 he was found guilty of first degree murder and felonious use of a firearm. The jury recommended a sentence of life in prison plus three years.

UPDATE: On February 23, 2016, Corey Bowden was sentenced to life in prison in the death of Delesha Bowden.

Source: “Judge imposes jury-recommended life sentence for Chesterfield man who fatally shot wife,” *richmond.com*, February 23, 2016; “Chesterfield jury recommends life term for man who fatally shot wife,” *Richmond Times-Dispatch*, September 25, 2015.

Virginia

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Dominique T. Clark

CONVICTED

Date: February 25, 2014

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On February 25, 2014, concealed handgun permit holder Dominique T. Clark, 34, shot and killed Robert Lee Fox, 16, after confronting Fox and a group of teens who were breaking into cars on the street where Clark lived. Clark heard a car alarm going off and saw four people gathered around a vehicle at around 1:30 AM. Clark grabbed his pistol and went outside to confront the teens who fled into an alley. Clark followed and told them to freeze. The teens cursed at him and reportedly threatened to kill him. Clark said he saw one teen appear to reach for something in his waistband and Clark then fired one shot which struck and fatally wounded Fox. Clark was found guilty of involuntary manslaughter, was required to pay a \$2,500 fine, and will likely serve no jail time.

Source: "Shooter of Hanover teen burglary suspect gets no jail time; listen to 911 calls," *wtvr.com*, October 24, 2014.

Virginia

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Bradley Scott Gregory

CONVICTED

Date: January 1, 2012

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On January 1, 2012, concealed handgun permit holder Bradley Scott Gregory, 27, allegedly shot and killed Michael Scott Shirley, 27, following an argument at a residence. According to court documents, following the argument, Gregory went to his vehicle and retrieved an unloaded handgun from the glove compartment and the ammunition magazine from the center console. Gregory then allegedly loaded the gun and shot Shirley in the chest, killing him. Gregory was arrested at the scene, and admitted to the shooting, according to court documents. Gregory told a judge that he had been unemployed since December 12 when he quit his job at the Underground Casino and Lounge in Bunker Hill, West Virginia and that he lived with his girlfriend. Gregory was charged with first-degree murder and using a firearm in the commission of a felony.

UPDATE: On April 17, 2013, Bradley Scott Gregory was found guilty of voluntary manslaughter in the death of Michael Scott Shirley. Gregory was found not guilty of using a firearm in the commission of a murder. The jury recommended that Gregory serve eight years in prison.

Source: "Jury Finds Bradley Scott Gregory Guilty of Voluntary Manslaughter, Recommends 8 Years," *The Winchester Star*, April 17, 2013; "Murder suspect remains in jail," *nvdaily.com*, January 4, 2012.

Virginia

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Blaine Tyler

SHOT AND KILLED DURING INCIDENT

Date: November 25, 2011

People Killed: 2

Circumstances: On November 25, 2011, concealed handgun permit holder Blaine Tyler, 48, was shot and killed with his own handgun, allegedly by Toby Smith, 16, inside a Richmond gas station. Seven hours later, at 2:30 AM, Smith allegedly used Tyler's handgun to shoot and kill Pierre Walter "Pete" Cosby, 32, during a robbery attempt as Cosby sat in his car with a woman. According to authorities, Smith and Tyee Marquel Hamiel, 16, followed Tyler into a BP gas station to rob him. Although Tyler had a permit to carry concealed, he was carrying his handgun in a holster, plainly visible. Smith grabbed the handgun from Tyler and allegedly shot him in the chest after Tyler chased him. According to authorities, "Tyler's handgun was taken from his person, and within 30 seconds he was shot...." Tyler's wife said that he took his gun "everywhere he went" and that he had obtained the gun after an incident that had made him feel defenseless. "I wasn't 100 percent comfortable with it," Sophia Tyler stated after the shooting, "But he felt that he needed it." Less than seven hours later, Smith used Tyler's gun to allegedly shoot and kill Cosby in a robbery attempt. Smith faces multiple charges, including: two counts of murder in the deaths of Tyler and Cosby; robbery of Tyler; conspiracy to rob Tyler; two counts of attempted robbery; and, 11 firearm charges. Hamiel was charged with: murder in the death of Tyler; robbery; conspiracy to commit robbery; use of a firearm in a robbery; possession of a gun by a minor; use of a firearm in a murder; shooting in a building; and, possession of a firearm by a convicted felon.

Sources: "Teen faces new charges in BP shooting," *Richmond Times Dispatch*, February 17, 2012; "Teen homicide suspects have criminal histories," *Richmond Times Dispatch*, December 3, 2011; "Second teen arrested in South Richmond slaying; Victim shot at gas station had gun taken from him, police say," *Richmond Times Dispatch*, December 1, 2011.

Virginia

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Unidentified

UNINTENTIONAL

Date: November 13, 2011

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On November 13, 2011, a concealed handgun permit holder in Spotsylvania County, Virginia, died after his Glock pistol discharged as he tried to adjust the weapon which was tucked into his waistband. The 45-year-old man was sitting in the front seat of his minivan with his children as his wife was returning a DVD to a Redbox outside a Giant Food store. “For some reason, maybe for comfort, he reached out and went to adjust it,” said Spotsylvania sheriff’s Capt. Liz Scott. “The detective thinks that in doing so—in just grabbing it—he inadvertently grabbed the trigger.” The single shot struck the man in the hip and he bled to death in minutes. The man’s wife and four children, all younger than 10 years old, heard the gunshot and initially thought a balloon had burst as there were balloons in the van.

Source: “Man killed by his own concealed weapon,” *Richmond Times-Dispatch*, November 18, 2011; “UPDATE: Police say shooting victim had gun tucked in waistband,” *wtvr.com*, November 16, 2011.

Virginia

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Randy Gilbert Newberry

KILLED BY POLICE

Date: March 13, 2011

Law Enforcement Officers Killed: 2

Circumstances: On March 13, 2011, Randy Gilbert Newberry, 52, opened fire on Virginia sheriff's deputies killing two and critically wounding two others. Newberry used a high-powered rifle in the sniper attack, firing approximately 50 rounds in the assault. He was killed by police when he pointed a handgun at responding officers. Newberry's neighbors were stunned by the lethal outburst by someone with no criminal history. He had renewed his concealed handgun permit three times since 1999, most recently in 2009. Newberry was an avid hunter who liked guns according to neighbors.

Source: "Randy Gilbert Newberry lived quiet life according to neighbors, records," *TriCities.com*, March 15, 2011; "Conley: 'It smelled like it smelled in Vietnam. It's like those shots fill the air and hang there forever,'" *TriCities.com*, March 15, 2011; "Va. Mountain sniper who killed 2 deputies, wounded 2 others made final phone call to his wife," *Associated Press*, March 14, 2011.

Virginia

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Ali A. Abid

PENDING (FLED THE COUNTRY)

Date: March 6, 2011

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On March 6, 2011, police discovered the body of private investigator Arthur “Greg” Brown, 50, inside the trunk of his 2007 Honda that was parked at the Valley Mall in Harrisonburg, VA. Brown had been shot to death and stuffed in his car’s trunk. Brown, the owner of Argus Investigative Services, had been serving divorce papers to concealed handgun permit holder Ali A. Abid, 50, who has been charged with first degree murder and the use of a firearm in the commission of a felony. Abid, an immigrant from Iraq, is believed to have fled the country after the killing, according to police.

UPDATE: On March 10, 2011, the Harrisonburg Police Department issued a statement saying it “can confirm that Ali Abid fled the area on Thursday of last week, and is no longer in the United States of America.”

Source: “Abid On The Lam,” *hburgnews.com*, March 11, 2011; “International hunt continues for man charged in slaying,” *newsleader.com*, March 6, 2012.

Virginia

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Timothy Drew

SUICIDE

Date: September 23, 2010

People Killed: 2

Circumstances: On September 23, 2010, concealed handgun permit holder Timothy Drew, 42, shot and killed his estranged wife Kimberly Drew, 44, before taking his own life in the home they once shared. Kimberly Drew, an executive assistant at First Citizens Bank in Roanoke, VA, was found murdered on her bed. Timothy Drew, a former Roanoke firefighter who supervised locomotive maintenance for Norfolk Southern, was found dead atop her body. The Dews had been married for nearly 20 years and were scheduled for a divorce court hearing that upcoming Tuesday. Kimberly Drew described her husband as violent and abusive. Days before the shooting, Timothy Drew was charged with assaulting his estranged wife's current boyfriend, Michael "Andy" Stegall. Stegall, also a concealed handgun permit holder, said that Drew called him a name, threatened to kill him, threw him to the ground, hit him in the eye, and bit him on the arm. Drew also swore out a warrant against Stegall for brandishing a firearm and assault as a result of the fight. Stegall's estranged wife Rhonda was friends with Timothy Drew and spoke with him regularly, saying, "This was extremely out of character for him....I know him as a caring father. I never saw any anger issues. I never saw any of that." When the Dews' children, ages 17 and 11, arrived home at their mother's house they were greeted by "police cars, yellow crime-scene tape and horrified neighbors." They told police that their father "seemed depressed about everything that was going on with...[the]...separation."

Source: "Vinton couple found dead in likely murder-suicide," *roanoke.com*, September 24, 2010.

Virginia

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Robert Klosterman

SUICIDE

Date: May 2, 2010

People Killed: 2

Circumstances: On May 2, 2010, former Navy Captain Robert Klosterman, 64, shot and killed his wife Rebecca, 57, in their home before shooting himself to death. Klosterman, a fighter pilot and combat veteran who had served as the captain of the Naval carrier USS Stennis, was in the early stages of divorce. According to news reports, Rebecca Klosterman filed for divorce in 2008. Soon after that the relationship turned violent and Rebecca filed a protective order against Robert after she reported that he had pointed a gun at her. A judge granted the protective order and at the same time the court revoked Robert Klosterman's concealed handgun permit (which he had possessed since 2005). Soon after, a more long-term protective order was denied and a judge dismissed the case, stating that there was not sufficient evidence showing that Robert had pointed the gun at Rebecca. Robert Klosterman's attorney then filed a motion to allow the concealed handgun permit to be reinstated.

Source: "As officer rose, marriage crumbled, ending in murder-suicide," *Pilotonline.com*, May 4, 2010; "Husband and wife found dead in Norfolk home in apparent murder-suicide," *www.wtkr.com*, May 3, 2010.

Virginia

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Peter Simpson

CONVICTED

Date: February 2, 2010

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On February 2, 2010, concealed handgun permit holder Peter Simpson, 56, shot and killed his 19-year-old stepson Devon Mason with a .45 pistol in the home they shared with the young man's mother, Francelia Archie. Late in the evening of February 1, Archie heard her husband making a 911 call on behalf of a woman he had previously had an affair with who claimed that her boyfriend had beaten her. Archie, sleeping in a separate bedroom from Simpson that night because of a prior fight, confronted her husband about the call. During the argument Simpson began pushing his wife out of the bedroom when she refused to leave. Mason heard the commotion and attempted to intervene. Simpson then went to his nightstand and pulled out the gun. Mason, unarmed and in his underwear, was shot four times by his stepfather, a registered nurse. Before pulling the trigger, Simpson, who had long had a contentious relationship with the 250-pound Mason, stated, "I'm tired of your superhero bull...." Mason was hit in the abdomen, arm, and twice in the back. His spine severed, he collapsed in the bedroom doorway. Simpson then stepped over him and went outside to call 911. Mason's mother, also a nurse, tried to help the teenager, who later died after being taken to a hospital. In urging the jury to reject Simpson's claim of self-defense against the large teen, prosecutor Julia Sichol stated, "You can't bring a gun to a fistfight." The jury recommended that Simpson serve 22 years in prison and an additional three years for using a firearm in the crime. The judge affirmed the verdict and set formal sentencing for April 26, 2011.

Source: "Chesterfield man convicted of second-degree murder in stepson's fatal shooting," *Richmond Times-Dispatch*, February 16, 2011; "Self-defense claimed in Chesterfield murder case," *Richmond Times-Dispatch*, February 15, 2011.

Virginia

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Christopher Speight

CONVICTED

Date: January 19, 2010

People Killed: 8

Circumstances: On January 19, 2010, Christopher Speight allegedly shot and killed eight people including his sister and her husband, their 15-year-old daughter and four-year-old son, as well as two teenagers aged 15 and 16. The incident began when police responded to reports of a wounded man on the side of an unpaved road. Sheriff's deputies then found seven more bodies. As police converged on the scene, Speight fired a high-powered rifle at least four times at a state police helicopter, rupturing its gas tank and forcing it to land. Speight was described by co-workers as a handyman, construction worker, and security guard who had a longtime fascination with guns and a fear of government conspiracies. Speight enjoyed target shooting at a range on his property. According to neighbors, prior to the shooting Speight began shooting daily on his range, including high-powered rifles. Speight, troubled about a perceived family dispute over a house and land, owned as many as 40 guns and was said to be very skilled with weapons. A bomb squad discovered a "multitude" of explosive devices in Speight's home. Speight had a concealed handgun permit issued in 1999. His most recent application was filed in January 2009 which was "seen and agreed to" by the Appomattox Commonwealth's Attorney and approved by a circuit court judge. The day after the shooting Speight, wearing a bulletproof vest, surrendered to police. Speight was initially charged with one count of murder, and more murder charges were expected to be forthcoming.

UPDATE: On February 15, 2013, Christopher Speight pleaded guilty to three counts of capital murder, one count of attempted capital murder of a police officer, and five firearms counts.

Source: "Va. Man charged with killing 8 pleads guilty," *Associated Press*, February 15, 2013; "Appomattox rampage suspect faces murder count," *Richmond Times-Dispatch*, January 21, 2010; "Attorney: Va. killing suspect had mental problems," *Associated Press*, January 21, 2010.

Virginia

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Willie Donaldson

CONVICTED

Date: December 8, 2008

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On December 8, 2008, Willie Donaldson shot and killed Matthew Hicks following a planned sexual liaison. Hicks and his girlfriend went to Donaldson's house after Donaldson responded to an advertisement the couple had placed on Craigslist offering "erotic services." Donaldson, who was issued a concealed handgun permit in 2006, was initially charged with one count of second-degree murder and one count of using a firearm while committing murder. He eventually pled guilty to manslaughter without any jail time.

Source: "Craigslist Killing in Self-Defense, Accused Says," *Connection Newspapers*, February 3, 2009; "Guilty Plea, No Jail Time in Erotic Services Killing," *Washington Post*, July 16, 2009.

Virginia

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Evan Gargiulo

CONVICTED

Date: November 2, 2008

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On November 2, 2008, concealed handgun permit holder Evan Gargiulo, 22, shot and killed cab driver Mazhar Nazir, 49, over a fare dispute. Gargiulo—dressed as a surfer in wet suit, diver’s boots, and blonde wig—left a Halloween party at a Washington, DC, nightclub and discovered that he had lost his wallet, cell phone, and keys. Gargiulo still had money stashed in his wet suit when he hailed Nazir’s cab to return to his home in Reston. Once home, he asked Nazir to wait while he retrieved an extra set of keys so that Nazir could then take him to a friend’s condominium where he had left his sports utility vehicle. While at his apartment, Gargiulo also took his 9mm handgun. Gargiulo’s attorney later said that it wasn’t uncommon for him to arm himself, stating, “He has a permit to carry a gun, and he regularly carries it.” After Nazir drove Gargiulo to his friend’s condominium, Gargiulo discovered that he had lost the money he thought he still had for the \$130 fare. Gargiulo claimed that a dispute over the fare ensued, that Nazir lunged at him, and that he shot the cab driver in the back of the head in self-defense. In March 2010, a Fairfax County jury rejected Gargiulo’s claim that he acted in self-defense, or out of insanity, and sentenced him to 15 years in prison: 12 for murder and a mandatory three consecutive years for using a gun. During the trial, Nazir’s 13-year-old son told the jury, “There’s an emptiness in my life. There’s no one that listens to me like my dad did. My dad cared for me. He didn’t care about any money.”

Source: “Reston man gets 15 years in shooting death of cabbie near Tysons,” *Washington Post*, March 13, 2010; “Ex-Penn St. swim coach charged in Va. killing, Former Hillsborough captain allegedly shot cab driver,” *Newark Star-Ledger*, November 11, 2008.

Virginia

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Aaron Poseidon Jackson

SUICIDE

Date: May 5, 2008

People Killed: 4 (including shooter)

Circumstances: On May 5, 2008, Aaron Poseidon Jackson, 24, shot and killed his two children, one-year-old Aaron Neptune Jackson and two-year-old Nicole Aaron Jackson, and their mother Latasha Nicole Thomas, before taking his own life. Jackson, who had a concealed handgun permit, was wearing body armor and was surrounded by guns and ammunition when police found him dead in their home in the Walt Lou Trailer Park. Jackson shot his wife with an AK-47 type WASR-10 assault rifle. He shot his children, found in a crib in a bedroom they shared, with a Smith & Wesson .38 revolver. Jackson killed himself with the revolver. Police later searched the trailer and seized at least seven guns, six knives, a machete, a sword, and numerous boxes of ammunition.

Source: "Police: Man killed children and their mother before turning gun on himself," *fredericksburg.com*, May 6, 2008; Stafford County Sheriffs Office Incident Report.

Virginia

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Wesley Earnest

CONVICTED

Date: December 2007

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: In December 2007, Wesley Earnest allegedly shot and killed his estranged wife Jocelyn Branham Earnest. Her body was found by co-workers in a home owned by the couple. She died from a single gunshot wound to the back of the head. Prosecutors argued that the suicide note found beside her body was fabricated. Wesley Earnest had a concealed handgun permit, which was later suspended. He has been charged with murder.

UPDATE: On April 5, 2010, Earnest was found guilty of first-degree murder. The jury recommended life in prison, plus three years for using a firearm in the commission of a felony, plus a fine of \$100,000. The sentence was the maximum the jury could recommend. Final sentencing will be imposed by the judge in the case.

Source: "Earnest found guilty; jury recommends life," *The Roanoke Times*, April 6, 2010; "Bedford County man accused of killing his wife can stay out of jail," *The Roanoke Times*, April 15, 2009.

Washington

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Isaiah “Junior” Tulasaga

PENDING

Date: July 25, 2021

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On July 25, 2021, concealed handgun permit holder Isaiah “Junior” Tulasaga, 25, allegedly shot and killed Ilario Ngauamo, 26, following an altercation at the Ohana Club. According to police, Ngauamo had been in a fight with a friend of Tulasaga’s inside the club. When security kicked the crowd out of the club, the conflict continued in the parking lot. Officers arrived on the scene and the situation seemed to be winding down when shots were fired. Tulasaga was arrested by police after attempting to drive away from the scene. According to police, Tulasaga admitted that he had a concealed carry permit for his Glock pistol and that he had fired at Ngauamo. He claimed that he had intended to fire only a warning shot and “whiz one by him.” A witness claimed that Tulasaga was angry with Ngauamo over the bar fight and that he saw Tulasaga punch Ngauamo before allegedly shooting him. Tulasaga was charged with second degree murder.

Source: “Rantz: Seattle judge goes easy on murder suspect, prompting rare second opinion that mostly failed,” *mynorthwest.com*, August 4, 2021; “Man charged with murder in Belltown shooting,” *komonews.com*, July 28, 2021.

Washington

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Duy Phuong Nguyen

CONVICTED

Date: September 29, 2020

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On September 29, 2020, concealed handgun permit holder Duy Phuong Nguyen, 27, allegedly shot his wife and a couple who were trying to help her escape a domestic violence situation. The attack at the Boo Han market in Edmonds, Washington left a 20-year-old woman dead and the 23-year-old man she was dating, as well as Nguyen's wife, 24, wounded. Nguyen's wife told police that she had endured weeks of assaults from her husband before the shooting. In August 2020 in order to escape the abuse, Nguyen's wife moved in to the apartment that the couple shared, both of whom were coworkers at the market. On the night before the shooting, Nguyen allegedly followed his wife back to the apartment and sent several threatening messages, including one saying, "Tomorrow everything will end." On the day of the shooting, after Nguyen repeatedly came to the Boo Han Market, the three coworkers left the store to call 911. According to charging documents, "Without breaking his stride (Nguyen) removed a black handgun from his waistband and opened fire...For nearly 5 seconds he calmly swept the barrel across all three while methodically firing about 12 rounds at them." Nguyen's wife and the 23-year-old man suffered several gunshot wounds but were expected to survive. The 20-year-old woman suffered wounds that required emergency surgery to stop internal bleeding but died during surgery. Nguyen was charged with first degree murder, first degree assault, and first degree domestic violence-related assault.

UPDATE: In October 2021, Duy Phuong Nguyen pleaded guilty to first degree murder, first degree domestic violence assault, and first degree assault in the death of his wife. In November 2021, Nguyen was sentenced to 45 ½ years in prison and a lifetime of no contact with the survivors of the shooting.

Source: "Man sentenced to 45 years in prison for shooting 3 people at Edmonds market," *king5.com*, November 5, 2021; "Man charged after fatal Boo Han Market shooting in Edmonds last month," *seattletimes.com*, October 26, 2020; "Triple shooting suspect targeted estranged wife: Edmonds Police," *patch.com*, September 30, 2020.

Washington

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Bryan M. Owens

CONVICTED

Date: September 3, 2019

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On September 3, 2019, concealed handgun permit holder Bryan M. Owens, 59, allegedly shot and killed Corey Meyer, 37, following an altercation outside a McDonald's restaurant in Grand Mound, Washington. Witnesses describe three men involved in the altercation, Owens, Meyer, and a third, unnamed man. Owens told law enforcement that he saw the third man panhandling in front of the McDonald's "and decided he needed to contact him and find out why he was there." According to a witness, Owens approached the third man and "asked if he was panhandling and was he a pedophile." Meyer then approached the two men and he and Owens began physically fighting with both men ending up on the ground. After witnesses intervened, Meyer spat on Owens who then pulled a pistol from his waist. Witnesses say Meyer rushed at Owens who allegedly fired two shots at Meyer. According to the Thurston County Coroner, Meyer died of gunshot wounds to his head and chest. Owens was charged with second degree murder while armed with a deadly weapon. The judge ordered Owens held without bail, saying there was convincing evidence that Owens showed a propensity for violence and may be "a loose cannon who might go off again." A tentative trial date has been set for January 6, 2020.

UPDATE: In March 2020, Bryan M. Owens was found guilty of first-degree manslaughter while armed with a firearm in the death of Corey Meyer. On April 22, 2020, Owens was sentenced to 13 ½ years in prison.

Source: "Rochester man sentenced to more than 13 years for fatally shooting panhandler," *chronline.com*, April 24, 2020; "Trial set for Rochester man accused of killing panhandler," *theolympian.com*, November 3, 2019; "Man accused of killing panhandler outside Grand Mound McDonald's held without bail," *theolympian.com*, September 4, 2019.

Washington

■ **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Cameron Espitia

CONVICTED

Date: July 2, 2017

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On July 2, 2017, concealed handgun permit holder Cameron Espitia, 31, allegedly shot and killed his wife Jennifer Espitia, 29, as they shared an Uber ride on their way home from a wedding. According to police, Cameron Espitia, an active member of the U.S. Coast Guard, consumed numerous alcoholic drinks at the wedding while armed. During the ride he argued with his wife when she wanted him to go home instead of going to the after-party. “The defendant told his wife to ‘go [expletive] herself’ and then shot her at close range in the back of the head.” According to charging papers, the Uber driver picked the Espitias up minutes before the shooting, with Jennifer Espitia sitting in the front seat and her husband in the back seat. According to the driver, the couple began arguing immediately, and were still arguing when Jennifer Espitia was shot in the back of the head. Cameron Espitia demanded to be let out of the vehicle and the driver complied before calling the police, fearing that he would be shot as well. Police arrested Cameron Espitia several blocks away. Cameron Espitia claimed he did not remember the events of the evening, although he had dried blood on him. The caliber of the Ruger pistol that he was carrying matched that of the shell casing found in the vehicle. Espitia was charged with second degree murder.

UPDATE: On October 31, 2018, Cameron Espitia pleaded guilty to second degree murder in the death of Jennifer Espitia. On December 7, 2018, he was sentenced to 19 years in prison.

Sources: “Seattle man gets 19 years for killing wife in Queen Anne Uber ride,” www.seattlepi.com, December 10, 2018; “Man pleads guilty to killing wife on Uber ride in Queen Anne,” www.seattlepi.com, October 31, 2018; “Charge: Drunk, gun-wielding husband killed wife in Uber ride,” www.seattlepi.com, July 6, 2017.

Washington

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Kwame Bates

PENDING

Date: January 18, 2016

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On January 18, 2016, concealed handgun permit holder Kwame Bates, 26, allegedly was involved in a shootout outside the Palomino Club in North Spokane that resulted in the death of Eduardo Villagomez, 21. Bates is one of two suspects in custody for the shooting, the other being LaShawn Jameison, 21. Bates admitted to being part of the gun battle and said that the fight originally broke out when a girl in the club was pushed. Bates admitted to firing six or seven shots and voluntarily turned over his 9mm Sturm Ruger handgun to Spokane police. According to police, Villagomez was an innocent bystander and was shot at least six times before being run over by a red Mustang as it fled the scene. Bates was charged with first-degree murder and 14 counts of drive-by shooting.

Sources: "Charges added against men involved in fatal nightclub shooting," *Spokesman-Review*, February 23, 2016; "Former EWU athlete pleads not guilty to shooting," *KREM.com*, January 26, 2016; "Police arrest EWU athlete for deadly Palomino shooting," *KREM.com*, January 26, 2016; "Police arrest two men involved in fatal shooting at The Palomino," *KXLY.com*, January 25, 2016.

Washington

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Unknown

SUICIDE

Date: August 2, 2016

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On August 2, 2016, an unidentified concealed handgun permit holder shot and killed himself near Appleway Boulevard in Spokane Valley after an altercation with police. The incident began when Spokane County law enforcement stopped and issued the man a misdemeanor traffic citation for driving with a suspended license. The permit carrier was released from the scene with his legally owned handgun. According to the Spokane County Sheriff's Office, a few minutes later, a caller reported hearing gunshots, at which point officers began searching for the man again. Another call two hours later led police to the man. Deputies tried to negotiate with him, but he then started walking towards an apartment complex, handgun still at his side. Officers then fired nonlethal beanbag projectiles at him and he dropped to the ground. At this point he placed his handgun to his head and fired, taking his own life. Officials confirm the man had a concealed carry permit for the weapon.

Source: "Man dies after traffic stop in Spokane Valley," *KREM.com*, August 3, 2016.

Washington

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Millard James Tallant III

SUICIDE

Date: May 26, 2015

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On May 26, 2015, concealed handgun permit holder Millard James Tallant III, 62, shot himself in the head after being shot twice in a confrontation with law enforcement. According to a search warrant filed after the shooting, Tallant had lost his job within the prior year and was going through a divorce. He had not told his wife of 18 years about losing his job, instead using \$100,000 of his retirement funds to pay his bills. On the night of the shooting, he showed up at his estranged wife's house. She called 911 just after midnight, telling dispatchers that he was acting strangely and had been making comments about suicide for several days. Tallant walked away from his wife's house, but she called 911 again after hearing an apparent gunshot. Sheriff's Deputy Dan Tenbrink responded to the call and as he approached, Tallant reportedly walked around the side of his car holding a .380 pistol. Tallant walked towards the deputy, ignoring commands to drop his weapon. Tenbrink fired a shot when Tallant raised his weapon, and when Tallant still did not drop his gun, Tallant fired three more times. Tallant fell down and Tenbrink heard a single shot. An autopsy found that Tallant shot himself once in the head and was also struck twice in the chest. It was inconclusive as to which of the bullets caused his death.

Source: "After deputy shot him, troubled man shot himself, report says," *heraldnet.com*, June 12, 2015.

Washington

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Dennis Clark III

SHOT AND KILLED DURING INCIDENT

Date: April 21, 2013

People Killed: 4

Circumstances: On April 21, 2013, concealed handgun permit holder Dennis Clark III, 27, shot and killed four people before being killed by police. The shootings began when Clark shot and killed his girlfriend Justine Baez, 24, in the apartment they shared in Federal Way, Washington. According to police, after leaving the apartment, Clark confronted Ceasar Valdovinos, 23, and Bradley Fischer, 47, and argued with them before fatally shooting them both. Roland Scobee, 62, reportedly heard the commotion and went outside to investigate before retreating back to his apartment to call 911. Clark then broke his door down with a shotgun and killed him. According to Federal Way Police Chief Brian Wilson, officers responding to the shootings were confronted by Clark wielding a shotgun in a stairway. Officers fired at Clark but he fled to a parking lot. As officers again approached Clark he reached for a handgun and officers opened fire, killing Clark.

Source: "Last victim ID'd from Federal Way apartment shooting," *The News Tribune*, April 30, 2013; "Man killed live-in girlfriend, 3 others in Washington apartment shooting, police say," *Associated Press*, April 22, 2013.

Washington

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Dinh Bowman

CONVICTED

Date: August 31, 2012

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On August 31, 2012, concealed handgun permit holder Dinh Bowman, 29, allegedly pulled his silver BMW Z4 convertible alongside the vehicle of Yancy Noll, 43, at a stoplight and fired five shots from a 9mm handgun at Noll, hitting him three times in the head, killing him. Bowman then reportedly sped away. An anonymous tipster lead police to Bowman, and eventually they located his car, which he had worked on to disguise following the incident. According to press reports, detectives also found a “gun room” where “Bowman had set up a sort of laboratory dedicated to his obsession with guns.” Bowman was charged with first degree murder.

UPDATE: In December 2014, Dinh Bowman was found guilty of first degree murder in the death of Yancy Noll. On January 2, 2015, Bowman was sentenced to 350 months in prison plus 36 months community custody when he is released.

Source: “Murderer learns fate for North Seattle ‘thrill killing’,” *kirotv.com*, January 2, 2015; “First-degree murder charged in shooting of Seattle wine steward,” *The Seattle Times*, September 26, 2012.; *Certification for Determination of Probable Cause*, Seattle Police Department.

Washington

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Ian Stawicki

SUICIDE

Date: May 30, 2012

People Killed: 6 (including shooter)

Circumstances: At approximately 11:00 AM on May 30, 2012, concealed handgun permit holder Ian Stawicki, 40, opened fire at Café Racer in Seattle's University District, killing four of the restaurant's patrons. Stawicki had been banned from the Café as the result of past behavior and was reminded of that when he returned that morning.

According to a news report quoting a Café employee who was the only person shot who survived, "It was clear...that Stawicki wanted everyone dead, shooting the victims once and `then he double-tapped everyone.'" Stawicki, armed with two 45 caliber handguns, then left the restaurant and 30 minutes after the shooting confronted Gloria Leonidas, a mother of two. Stawicki fatally shot Leonidas and stole her Mercedes SUV. The vehicle was eventually found abandoned by police, with a gun on the seat. While searching the area law enforcement came upon Stawicki, who, when ordered to drop his weapon, put the gun to his head and fatally shot himself. Stawicki had suffered from mental illness for years. His family, fearing for his deteriorating mental condition, tried unsuccessfully to have his carry permit revoked. Said his father, "The response to us was, there's nothing we can do, he's not a threat to himself or others, or we haven't had a report of it, or we haven't had to pick him up—call us when it's worse. And now it's too late—much worse now, six people are dead."

Source: "Survivor of Café Racer massacre speaks about shooting," *mynorthwest.com*, June 12, 2012; "Seattle gun massacre hero reveals he vowed to 'never hide under the table' after brother died in 9/11," *The Daily Mail*, June 1, 2012; "Seattle Café Shooter Kills 5, and Himself After Citywide Manhunt," *abcnews.go.com*, May 31, 2012; "Family: Seattle gunman had a concealed weapon permit," *komonews.com*, May 31, 2012.

Washington

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Eric Vita

UNINTENTIONAL

Date: March 14, 2012

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On March 14, 2012, three-year-old Julio Segura-McIntosh fatally shot himself with a gun he found in his family's car when his family stopped for gas in Tacoma, Washington. When the family stopped to get gas just after midnight, Julio's mother, Jahnisha McIntosh, 23, put her boyfriend's 9mm pistol under the seat and went into the convenience store, leaving their son and daughter in the car. Her boyfriend, Eric Vita, 22, has a concealed weapons permit. The boy climbed out of his car seat, found the gun, and shot himself in the head. The girl was not injured. Detectives originally ruled the shooting accidental. "You can't predict what children are going to do," noted Tacoma police Officer Naveed Benjamin. "You need to unload and lock it up if you're not carrying it....It's really not that hard to practice firearm safety."

UPDATE: On March 28, 2012, Eric Vita, 22, and Jahnisha McIntosh, 23, were charged with second-degree manslaughter in the death of three-year-old Julio Segura-McIntosh. According to prosecutors, Julio unbuckled himself from the back seat and climbed to the front to ask his mother for candy. She then moved the handgun from under the passenger seat to under the driver's seat to prevent Julio from reaching it. She then went into the convenience store leaving Julio in the car where he found the gun and shot himself in the head. Detectives were told that Vita routinely showed off the gun which was equipped with a laser sight and once offered to let Julio hold it before another adult intervened.

UPDATE: On November 18, 2013, Jahnisha McIntosh pled guilty to second degree manslaughter in the death of Julio Segura-McIntosh. She was sentenced to time served. In July 2013, the manslaughter charge against Eric Vita was dismissed.

Source: "Tacoma woman pleads guilty in son's death, gets no prison time," *The News Tribune*, November 18, 2013; "Jahnisha McIntosh Charged with Manslaughter After Son, 3, Shot Himself With Found Gun," *The Huffington Post*, March 28, 2012; "3-year-old boy in Wash. kills self with gun in car," *Associated Press*, March 14, 2012.

Washington

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Cornelius J. De Jong IV

CONVICTED

Date: February 12, 2012

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On February 12, 2012, concealed handgun permit holder Cornelius J. De Jong IV, 21, allegedly shot Claire Thompson, 20, in the neck with a 40 caliber pistol and killed her. Both De Jong and Thompson were attending a party early in the morning when De Jong fired the handgun, which he thought was unloaded. The bullet traveled through a wall and hit Thompson who was standing on the other side of the wall. De Jong, who had past convictions for driving under the influence and minor in possession of alcohol, was charged with first-degree manslaughter with bail set at \$300,000. One neighbor told the press that the house where the party was held was “constantly a source of police activity....It’s a very sad house and a source of neighborhood concern.”

UPDATE: On September 17, 2012, Cornelius De Jong IV pleaded guilty to second-degree manslaughter in the killing of Claire Thompson. He was sentenced to 27 months in prison.

Source: “Redmond man pleads guilty in woman’s shooting death,” *Redmond Reporter*, September 21, 2012; “Redmond man charged in connection with fatal shooting on Education Hill,” *Redmond-Reporter*, February 14, 2012.

Washington

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Ty Takaezu

SUICIDE

Date: May 8, 2011

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On May 8, 2011, Kara M. Leonard, 31, was target shooting on Mother's Day with concealed handgun permit holder Ty Takaezu, when at some point during the activity Leonard used Takaezu's handgun to commit suicide, shooting herself in the head. Leonard, the daughter of a Portland city commissioner, was recovering from long-time heroin addiction and left behind a 12-year-old son.

Source: "Daughter of city commissioner dies from gunshot wound," *KATU News*, May 8, 2011.

Washington

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Amanda Knight

CONVICTED

Date: April 28, 2010

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On April 28, 2010, Amanda Knight, 21, was part of a group of four criminals who took part in a home-invasion robbery that resulted in the death of James Sanders, 43. Sanders was shot and killed after Knight and three others came to his home purportedly to purchase a ring that had been advertised on Craigslist. During the robbery, Sanders' wife was tied up and one of his sons was pistol-whipped. Knight and her accomplices were also suspects in a prior home-invasion robbery. According to press reports, Sanders' widow, Charlene, "felt chills" when she saw Knight in court, stating, "I remember that face when I was zip-tied on the floor, looking up at her." Knight, who had a concealed handgun permit, was charged with first-degree murder, first-degree robbery, and second-degree assault.

UPDATE: In April 2011, Amanda Knight was found guilty of first-degree murder in the killing of James Sanders. She was also found guilty of robbery and assault. On May 13, 2011, she was sentenced to more than 71 years in prison for her crimes.

Source: "Woman gets 71-year prison term for Craigslist killing," *www.komonews.com*, May 13, 2011; "4th Edgewood suspect ID'd," *The News Tribune*, May 6, 2010; "Craigslist Murder Suspects Arrested in Bay Area," *www.ktvu.com*, May 5, 2010.

Washington

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Keira S. Earhart

CONVICTED

Date: November 16, 2009

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On November 16, 2009, Keira S. Earhart allegedly shot and killed Ryan A. Rzechula following a burglary at Earhart's home. Earhart called 911 to report a burglary at his home after being alerted to the break-in on a call to his cell phone from his home alarm service. After rushing home, he saw a man running out, and gave chase. A few hours later, Earhart again called 911 and told deputies he was looking for the burglar and spotted a man who looked like him. He claimed he yelled at the man who then took off across a field. Deputies were unable to locate the man. A witness later said he saw a man with a gun and heard him yell, "Stop," at another man, who ran away. The witness reported hearing two gunshots. Two days later a neighbor called 911 to report finding Rzechula's body in a creek bed near where the shots were heard on Monday. Rzechula had jewelry in his pocket that matched what had been taken from Earhart's home. Earhart, who had a concealed weapons permit, was arrested and charged with second degree murder.

UPDATE: In July 2011, Keira Earhart was found guilty of second-degree murder in the killing of Ryan Rzechula. Prosecutors asked for an 18-year prison term, but on August 24, 2011, the judge in the case said the more appropriate punishment would be a sentence more typical for manslaughter and sentenced Earhart to 12 years in prison.

Source: "Arlington man who fatally shot burglar gets 12 years for murder," *Heraldnet.com*, August 25, 2011; "Victim of alleged burglary now a suspect in killing," *Heraldnet.com*, November 20, 2009.

Washington

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Richard Peters

CONVICTED

Date: November 16, 2008

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On November 16, 2008, six-year-old Stormy Peters was accidentally shot and killed by her father, concealed handgun permit holder Richard Peters, while he was cleaning his guns with her and drinking double shots of vodka. According to news reports, Peters was at home with his wife when he sent Stormy upstairs to retrieve his Colt Double Eagle 45 caliber handgun from his night stand. Peters told investigators that he had drunk several double vodkas when one of the guns discharged, striking his daughter in the head. Peters told deputies that he had been in the military, was “very proficient” with firearms, and that all of his children handled weapons. After the fatal shooting, Child Protective Services removed Peters’ two other children, ages three and eight, from the home. Peters, 42, was charged with first degree manslaughter with a deadly weapon.

UPDATE: In November 2009, Richard Peters was convicted of first-degree manslaughter in the shooting death of his six-year-old daughter Stormy. He could face more than 13 years in prison at sentencing.

Source: “Marysville man convicted of manslaughter in shooting death of 6-year-old daughter,” *pnwlocalnews.com*, November 24, 2009; “Marysville man charged in fatal shooting of 6-year-old daughter,” *Daily Herald*, November 19, 2008; “Marysville man held in shooting of daughter, 6,” *Seattle Times*, November 18, 2008.

Washington, DC

■ **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Jason Lewis

PENDING

Date: January 7, 2023

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On January 7, 2023, at around 4:00 AM concealed handgun permit holder Jason Lewis, 41, allegedly shot and killed Karon Blake, 13, outside Lewis' condo in the Brookland neighborhood of Washington, DC. According to the arrest warrant, Lewis retrieved his .40 Smith & Wesson handgun after hearing noises which he thought may be someone trying to break into his ground floor condo. Lewis told police he saw three "youngsters" across the street, and yelled, "Hey! What are y'all doing?" Lewis initially claimed that Blake ran directly towards him, and that he fired twice in self-defense. However, authorities allege that though Blake and two others were tampering with or trying to break into cars when Lewis shouted at them, Blake was trying to get into a vehicle to run away. Police allege that Lewis fired a first shot at the vehicle, striking it and causing the driver to crash. It was at that point, according to police, that Blake ran toward Lewis, perhaps not realizing that it was Lewis who had fired the shot. Police Chief Robert J. Contee III said that Lewis did not tell detectives that he fired the first shot at the vehicle, and called that omission his "biggest grievance" with the shooting, adding that the occupants of the vehicle posed no threat and "everything else that kind of unfolded is a result of that initial shot." Surveillance cameras reportedly captured the last words Blake uttered as shots were fired, "I'm sorry. Please don't. No. I am a kid." On January 31, 2023, Lewis surrendered to authorities and was charged with second degree murder while armed.

Source: "D.C. man charged with killing 13-year-old he said was breaking into cars," *The Washington Post*, January 31, 2023.

Washington, DC

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Aaron Alexis

SHOT AND KILLED DURING INCIDENT

Date: September 16, 2013

People Killed: 13 (including shooter)

Circumstances: On September 16, 2013, concealed handgun permit holder Aaron Alexis, 34, shot and killed 12 people at an office building at the Navy Yard in Washington, DC. Alexis entered the building with a Remington 870 shotgun hidden in his backpack. At around 8:15 AM, Alexis emerged from a men's room on the fourth floor of the building and began firing indiscriminately, killing 12 workers. By 8:34 AM, Alexis was involved in a firefight with as many as seven teams of law enforcement officers. Alexis was able to use a fourth floor balcony wall as concealment as he fired his shotgun from the balcony down through the building's atrium. While police at one point thought there may have been more than one shooter, Alexis acted alone and was killed by police at approximately 10:13 AM. Alexis purchased his Remington 870 shotgun and two boxes of shells from Sharpshooters Small Arms Range in Newington, Virginia just two days before the shooting. Alexis had a concealed carry permit from Texas and had previously held one issued in the state of Washington.

Source: "Inside Sharpshooters, the Newington gun store where Aaron Alexis bought his shotgun," *The Washington Post*, September 18, 2013; "Navy Yard shooter Aaron Alexis carved an indiscriminate path through Building 197," *The Washington Post*, September 17, 2013; "Officials: Navy Yard shooter ID'ed as Aaron Alexis," *Associated Press*, September 16, 2013; "Alleged Navy Yard Killer A Former Reservist, Authorities Say," *npr.org*, September 16, 2013; "Navy Yard killer shot out tires in Seattle in 2004," *The Seattle Times*, September 16, 2013.

West Virginia

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Jeffery L. Sampson

CONVICTED

Date: January 10, 2017

People Killed: 2

Circumstances: On January 10, 2017, concealed handgun permit holder Jeffery L. Sampson, 47, shot and killed Shawn and Brandi Hardman. The incident began when Karen Sampson, Jeffery's ex-wife, was cleaning her bathroom and saw a pair of feet in her shower, revealing her estranged husband, who was holding a gun. As she was cleaning she had been talking to her friend Brandi Hardman, who she eventually asked to come over. Upon arriving at the home, Brandi and her husband Shawn Hardman confronted Sampson. The two men briefly fought resulting in Shawn Hardman being shot. Hardman retreated to another room where the two women were hiding. Although Brandi was blocking the door, Sampson eventually managed to get his arm through the door frame and fired a second shot, which struck and killed Brandi Hardman. On March 28, 2018, Jeffery Sampson was convicted of two counts of first degree murder, kidnapping, burglary, presentation of a firearm during the commission of a felony, and wanton endangerment with a firearm. On June 25, 2018, Sampson was sentenced to two consecutive life sentences without the possibility for parole for the murders and an additional 30 years for the kidnapping.

Source: "Jeffery Sampson Sentenced," *thenewscenter.tv*, June 25, 2018; "Sampson convicted on all counts in double-murder case," *newsandsentinel.com*, March 28, 2018; "Jeffery Sampson double-murder trial begins," *newsandsentinel.com*, March 22, 2018.

West Virginia

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Barry Allen Stewart and Kimberly Ann Stines
SUICIDE

Date: September 3, 2013

People Killed: 2 (including shooter)

Circumstances: On September 3, 2013, concealed handgun permit holders Barry Allen Stewart, 31 and Kimberly Ann Stines, 34, were found dead from apparent gunshot wounds in Stewart's home. The firearm believed to be used in the shootings was found in the home, but the identity of the shooter was not reported. Stewart and Stines were married in January 2010 and divorced in October of the same year though Stines continued to live at the residence from time to time. Stines filed a domestic violence petition against Stewart which was dismissed for lack of evidence in March 2013.

Source: "Family shocked by couple's deaths," *herald-dispatch.com*, September 6, 2013; "Two dead in domestic shooting," *herald-dispatch.com*, September 3, 2013; "Domestic violence suspected after 2 found dead near Huntington," *Charleston Daily Mail*, September 3, 2013.

West Virginia

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Christopher Wayne Bowling

CONVICTED

Date: January 31, 2010

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On January 31, 2010, concealed handgun permit holder Christopher Wayne Bowling, 38, allegedly shot and killed his wife Tresa with a handgun. In court testimony, the couple's 10-year-old daughter, who was "just feet away" when her mother was shot and killed, testified to a history of domestic abuse in the home. Bowling maintained that the shooting was accidental and had occurred on a "good day between the two." According to his friend, State Trooper Mark Painter, "He made the statement that he had wanted to kill her a thousand times before but not this day." Bowling was charged with first-degree murder.

UPDATE: On October 31, 2011, Christopher Wayne Bowling was sentenced to life in prison for the shooting of his wife Tresa. Bowling was convicted of first degree murder and an additional charge of using a firearm in committing the crime.

Source: "Judge affirms life sentence for Bowling," *Register-Herald.com*, November 1, 2011; "Daughter testifies in murder trial," *Register-Herald.com*, May 6, 2011.

Wisconsin

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Edward Sanders, Jr.

CONVICTED

Date: August 8, 2020

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On August 8, 2020, concealed handgun permit holder Edward Sanders, Jr., 31, shot and killed Guillermo Martinez, 23, following an altercation. On the day of the shooting, Sanders and his brother Deangelo Herron went to Outbreak Billiards and Bar to meet some friends. In the parking lot, Herron was attacked by Martinez and two of his friends. Sanders took out his gun and yelled at the men who were attacking his brother. When the fight continued, Sanders pulled the trigger, shooting Martinez in the shoulder. The bullet traveled through Martinez's arm, entered his torso and went through his lungs. Martinez died at the scene. Sanders claimed he did not intend to kill Martinez, but only wanted to stop the attack on his brother. On February 4, 2021, Sanders was convicted of first degree reckless homicide with the use of a dangerous weapon. On April 23, 2021, Sanders was sentenced to 10 years in prison followed by 10 years of extended supervised release.

Source: "Punishment for a life taken, even if it was in defense of his brother: Sanders gets 10 years," *journaltimes.com*, April 25, 2021; "Suspect charged with homicide for Saturday Douglas Ave. shooting," *journaltimes.com*, August 12, 2020.

Wisconsin

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Delames Jones

UNINTENTIONAL

Date: May 5, 2019

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On May 5, 2019, concealed handgun permit holder Delames Jones, 46, unintentionally shot and killed himself during a struggle over his semiautomatic handgun. Jones was armed with a holstered gun when he became involved in an argument with several acquaintances. During the argument, Jones threatened to shoot people and began to pull the gun from its holster when several people attempted to overpower and disarm him. While attempting to control his gun Jones unintentionally shot himself in the stomach and thigh. After an investigation, Jones' death was ruled to be an unintentional self-inflicted shooting.

Source: "Concealed carry holder fatally shoots himself during struggle over gun," *jsonline.com*, May 7, 2019.

Wisconsin

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Victor M. Cintron

CONVICTED

Date: May 3, 2019

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On May 3, 2019, concealed handgun permit holder Victor M. Cintron, 23, allegedly shot and killed Jose L. Rodriguez-Castro, 22, at a traffic light on the south side of Milwaukee, Wisconsin. Cintron pulled up to the vehicle containing Rodriguez-Castro and his girlfriend, Lexi Rivera, who was Cintron's ex-girlfriend. Cintron allegedly fired at the vehicle and struck Rodriguez-Castro eight times as he attempted to shield Rivera from gunfire. Three other occupied vehicles were also struck by the gunfire. Police found 21 spent 9mm shell casings at the scene of the shooting. According to court records, Cintron had ignored demands to turn over his firearms to authorities after Rivera filed a restraining order against him on April 10. The day after the restraining order was filed, an arrest warrant was issued for Cintron and he was charged with two counts of battery (domestic abuse assessment) and two counts of disorderly conduct (domestic abuse assessment) for allegedly beating and threatening to kill Rivera. Rivera said Cintron had "engaged in a series of physically assaultive, abusive, and threatening behaviors." Cintron was charged with one count of first-degree intentional homicide, use of a dangerous weapon, and one count of attempted first-degree intentional homicide, use of a dangerous weapon.

UPDATE: In August 2021, Victor Cintron was found guilty of first degree intentional homicide, attempted first degree intentional homicide, and three counts of first degree recklessly endangering safety in the death of Jose L. Rodriguez-Castro. In December 2021, Cintron was sentenced to life in prison, and will be eligible for parole after serving 50 years of his sentence,

Sources: "Milwaukee 2019 homicide, Victor Cintron gets life in prison," *fox6now.com*, December 22, 2021; "Victor Cintron Jr., wanted in fatal shooting near 27th and Hayes, arrested in California," *fox6now.com*, May, 20, 2019; "Domestic abuser killed woman's new suitor weeks after she got a restraining order, complaint says," *jonline.com*, May 7, 2019; "'So much violence:' Police tackled suspect who ran after officer-involved shooting," *fox6now.com*, May, 7, 2019.

Wisconsin

- Concealed Handgun Permit Holder: Jordan Fricke

CONVICTED

Date: February 6, 2019

People Killed: 1

Law Enforcement Officers Killed: 1

Circumstances: On February 6, 2019, concealed handgun permit holder Jordan Fricke, 26, allegedly shot and killed Milwaukee Police Officer Matthew Rittner, 35, outside Fricke's duplex in the south side of Milwaukee, Wisconsin. Ritter, a 17-year veteran, was serving a search warrant with other officers at the duplex as part of an investigation into illegal drugs and firearms sales. Police identified themselves over loudspeakers before attempting to enter the home. Fricke fired several shots through the door with a high-powered rifle killing Ritter. According to friends, Fricke bought and worked on firearms, and enjoyed going to gun shows and shooting ranges. Fricke was raised by his grandparents and was described by friends as a "couch potato" who regularly used marijuana and was not consistently employed. Fricke was charged with first degree intentional homicide, two counts of first degree recklessly endangering safety, and maintaining a drug trafficking place. He was held on \$1 million bond.

UPDATE: In July 2019, Jordan Fricke was found guilty of: first degree intentional homicide; use of a dangerous weapon; first degree recklessly endangering safety; two counts of use of a dangerous weapon; and, maintaining a drug trafficking place. On October 3, 2019, Fricke was sentenced to life in prison without the possibility of parole.

Sources: "Jordan Fricke sentenced to life in prison without parole in shooting of Officer Rittner," *fox6now.com*, October 3, 2019; "Officer shooting suspect Jordan Fricke hit with another charge," *tmj4.com*, June 13, 2019; "Procession to funeral home reflects a city in mourning over Milwaukee officer's shooting death," *jsonline.com*, February 7, 2019; "Jordan Fricke: 5 Fast Facts You Need to Know," *heavy.com*, February 7, 2019.

Wisconsin

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Calvin Eldridge

CONVICTED

Date: May 7, 2018

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On May 7, 2018, concealed handgun permit holder Calvin Eldridge, 49, shot and killed his neighbor Victor Reynolds, 54, following a fight at the Village Road apartment building where both men lived. Eldridge shot Reynolds in the leg in the hallway of their apartment building. Reynolds was taken from the scene by paramedics, and died in the hospital the following day. Police described the incident as the final escalation in a feud between upstairs-downstairs neighbors that involved complaints about loud music and slamming doors. According to the District Attorney, “Mr. Eldridge was running around the neighborhood carrying 32 rounds of ammunition when he got into the fist fight with Mr. Reynolds.” In an audio recording of the fight heard through a 911 call, Reynolds could be heard saying, “Hit me one more time,” followed by a gunshot. Prosecutors also referred to prior incidents where Eldridge brandished his firearm when there were confrontations in the neighborhood. On September 18, 2018, Eldridge plead guilty to felony second degree reckless endangerment and misdemeanor endangerment with use of a dangerous weapon. He was sentenced to nine months in jail and four years of probation and ordered to pay restitution in the amount of \$4,800.

Sources: “Portage man sentenced to 9 months in jail 4 years probation for fatal shooting,” *wiscnews.com*, September 18, 2018; “Neighbor feud leads to fatal shooting, arrest at Portage apartment,” *wiscnews.com*, May 8, 2018.

Wisconsin

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** James Clinton Atterberry, Jr.

CONVICTED

Date: October 15, 2016

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On October 15, 2016, concealed handgun permit holder James Clinton Atterberry, 26, shot and killed Ronnie McMillon, Jr., 26. According to the criminal complaint, Atterberry and McMillon, who had been staying at the same residence in Kenosha, began arguing about Atterberry having a gun. The argument became more heated and Atterberry shot McMillon multiple times with a 9mm Glock pistol. Atterberry was charged with first-degree reckless homicide.

UPDATE: In April 2017, Atterberry's first degree reckless homicide trial ended with a deadlocked jury and a mistrial was declared. The charge against Atterberry was amended to second degree reckless homicide, and he plead guilty to that charge on April 20, 2017. On May 26, 2017, Atterberry was sentenced to 12 years in prison plus an additional seven years of extended supervision.

Source: "James Atterberry sentenced to 12 years in prison in murder of Ronnie McMillon," *fox6now.com*, May 26, 2017; "Concealed carry permit-holders charged in Milwaukee shootings," *Milwaukee Journal Sentinel*, October 19, 2016.

Wisconsin

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Octavia W. Dodson

CONVICTED

Date: March 25, 2016

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On March 25, 2016, concealed handgun permit holder Octavia W. Dodson, 28, allegedly shot and killed Deshun T. Freeman, 21. Just before 11:00 PM on March 25, several people called 911 to report hearing gunshots. Dodson was among the callers, telling police that he had shot a man who he claimed had pulled a gun on him. Dodson told police he was armed, had left the scene, and would turn himself in to police. Milwaukee's ShotSpotter system detected six shots near the intersection of N. 10th Street and W. Concordia Avenue. Investigators found two bullet holes in a house at that location. Officers found Freeman lying face down in the street, having been shot three times, including once in the head. No firearms were found with Freeman. A green Buick Park Avenue was parked nearby with the engine running and the headlights on. Officers went to a home a block away to meet Dodson, who directed officers to a 9mm pistol. Next to the pistol was a 17 round magazine, loaded with 11 rounds. Dodson told police that he was driving when he was rear-ended while stopped at a red light by a blue Buick with bluish purple window tint. He claimed that when he got out to inspect the damage the other car kept driving. Dodson said that as he continued driving, a car came speeding up behind him before pulling over and parking at the side of the road. Dodson said he recognized the car as the one that hit him so he pulled over as well. Dodson then claimed a man got out of the car, yelled an expletive and ran toward him with his hands in his pockets. Dodson initially told investigators he fired from inside his car, but later said he left his car and shot the man from a standing position. Police noted discrepancies between Dodson's description of the car that struck him and the car found at the scene and were investigating whether any accident took place at all. Dodson was charged with homicide.

UPDATE: On July 18, 2016, Octavia Dodson pleaded guilty to second degree murder in the death of Deshun Freeman.

Source: "Octavia Dodson pleads guilty in fatal shooting over car accident," *cbs58.com*, July 18, 2016; "Concealed-carry permit holder charged in shooting death," *Milwaukee Journal Sentinel*, April 4, 2016.

Wisconsin

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Not identified

PENDING

Date: April 1, 2016

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On April 1, 2016, an unidentified concealed handgun permit holder, 35, allegedly shot and killed Odysseus Henry, 67, following a workplace dispute at Transit Express, where both men worked. According to police, Henry had noticed that tools were disappearing from the shop, so he used his cell phone to record video of the facility after hours. The video showed a co-worker allowing his friends into the shop, before the phone went missing. The suspect in the shooting confronted Henry about the phone on the morning of the shooting. The two men got into an argument and Henry threw a punch. The suspect then took a gun from his locker and allegedly shot Henry twice. The shooter was taken into custody.

Source: "Employee shot dead by colleague, police say," *wisn.com*, April 1, 2016.

Wisconsin

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Shanika S. Minor

CONVICTED

Date: March 6, 2016

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On March 6, 2016, concealed handgun permit holder Shanika S. Minor, 25, shot and killed her mother's neighbor, Tamecca Perry, 23, following an argument about loud music. Perry was nine months pregnant at the time of the shooting and her unborn child did not survive. On March 5, Minor was at her mother's house and got into an argument with Perry whom she felt had disrespected her mother in an earlier argument over loud music. Minor challenged Perry to a fight and fired several shots in the air before her mother convinced her to leave. Minor returned a few hours later and resumed her argument with Perry at around 3 AM on March 6. Minor's mother got between the two women who had known each other since eighth grade, but Minor reached over her mother and shot Perry in the chest. Perry died at the scene. Minor pleaded guilty to two counts of first degree reckless homicide and was sentenced to 30 years in prison plus 10 years on supervision, on each count, to be served concurrently. The judge in the case questioned whether lax concealed carry laws had made the community safer, noting that several people licensed to legally carry guns had been in court for shootings and homicides. "Some involved self-defense, the majority did not," he stated. He observed that many were "looking for trouble." When Minor's attorney said that Minor did not take the gun specifically to the confrontation, but always carried it, the judge replied, "Even worse....Now we have everyone running around armed to the teeth, thinking they can solve every dispute by firing off a few rounds." He called Minor's case a new low, noting that he'd heard of people taking out a gun in a fist fight, but Minor had brought a gun to a verbal disagreement.

Source: "Milwaukee woman gets 30 years for slaying over loud music as judge questions concealed carry," *Milwaukee Journal Sentinel*, August 24, 2017.

Wisconsin

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Amy Van Wagner

CONVICTED

Date: May 17, 2015

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On May 17, 2015, concealed handgun permit holder Amy Van Wagner allegedly shot and killed her husband Stanley Van Wagner in their home. On that day, Amy Van Wagner went to a neighbor's house and asked for help, saying that she had found her husband unresponsive in the basement. The neighbor saw her husband lying on the basement floor covered in a tarp and called police. According to police, responding officers found Stanley Van Wagner suffering from multiple gunshot wounds and he was pronounced dead at the scene. Investigators also found a computer and pillow near his body with bullet holes in them. Amy Van Wagner claimed that she went to the basement to start a load of laundry when she found her husband. Upon searching the home, investigators found two shell casings in an office upstairs along with blood, a hole in the drywall, and an empty leather handgun holster lying on the floor near a gun safe. Investigators later found two fired .380 bullets in the office, and a large blood stain under an ottoman and rug in the basement. Investigators noted that it "appeared someone placed the rug over the blood stain to conceal it." Investigators learned that Amy Van Wagner sometimes carried a .380 handgun, and all of the fired bullets and shell casings found at the scene had characteristics similar to her weapon. Investigators noted that it appeared that Stanley Van Wagner had been shot in the upstairs office and then dragged downstairs to the basement, where his body was "found" by Amy Van Wagner. On February 24, 2016, Amy Van Wagner was arrested and charged with first degree intentional homicide and hiding a corpse.

UPDATE: On March 13, 2017, Amy Van Wagner was found guilty of first degree intentional homicide and hiding a corpse in the death of her husband.

Source: "Amy Van Wagner found GUILTY in death of husband, Stanley Van Wagner," *fox6now.com*, March 13, 2017; "Amy Van Wagner expected to make plea in shooting death of husband," *fox6now.com*, March 14, 2016.

Wisconsin

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Do Thao

CONVICTED

Date: July 25, 2014

People Killed: 2

Circumstances: On July 25, 2014, concealed handgun permit holder Do Thao, 23, allegedly shot and killed Beelee Chang and Jack Yang while they were seated in a vehicle. Chang was shot in the back of the head and died at the scene, while Yang was shot twice in the back of his neck and once in the shoulder and died at a hospital two days later. After the shooting, the car Chang and Yang were in traveled forward and collided with a building. Police officers responding to the shooting found Thao hiding in the bushes nearby. According to police, Thao told officers, “I had to do it, they ain’t right.” Thao later told officers that he had been drinking beer on the night of the shooting and “did not remember what happened.” He told officers that “he did have his CCW permit with him.” Thao was charged with two counts of first-degree intentional homicide and use of a dangerous weapon. He faces up to life in prison if convicted.

UPDATE: On May 1, 2015, Do Thao was sentenced to 42 years in prison and 18 years probation for the murders of Bee Lee Chang and Jack Yang.

Source: “Concealed Carry Permitholder Sentenced to 42 Years for Double Milwaukee Homicide,” *mediamilwaukee.com*, May 3, 2015; “Milwaukee man accused of shooting, killing two people near 51st and Lisbon,” *fox6now.com*, July 28, 2014.

Wisconsin

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Phillip K. Green

CONVICTED

Date: May 25, 2013

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On May 25, 2013, concealed handgun permit holder Phillip K. Green, 40, shot Ernest Banks, 26, in the face with his 40 caliber handgun, killing him. Green, Banks, and two other men had met earlier that evening at one bar, drove together to another, and then planned to go to a strip club. When Green said that he didn't want to go to the strip club and instead wished to be dropped off at his car, Banks took offense. He stopped the car the four men were traveling in, pulled Green from the back seat, and began hitting him. During the attack, Green pulled his handgun and shot Banks. Green, who had obtained his concealed carry permit a few months earlier, then called police. In his closing argument, the Assistant District Attorney stated that Green "wasn't protecting his life, he was firing back in anger" and that he had used lethal force in what was clearly a "fist fight." When asked why he had a gun that night, Green said that he always carried it with him when he was alone. When it was pointed out that he had not been alone that night, Green said that he had left his handgun in his car when the group had met at the first bar, but that when they left together he took the gun with him, fearing it might be stolen from his vehicle. Green was found guilty of first-degree reckless homicide while armed with a deadly weapon and faces a sentence of up to 45 years.

Source: "Jury convicts Milwaukee concealed-carry permit holder in fatal shooting," *Milwaukee Journal Sentinel*, January 8, 2014.