

EXHIBIT C

Affidavit of Thomas Overly

This exhibit contains the Affidavit of Thomas Overly submitted in support of Plaintiffs' Complaint and Motion for Preliminary Injunction.

AFFIDAVIT OF THOMAS OVERLY

The State of Michigan)
)**S.S.**
County of Kent)

NOW COMES Thomas Overly, of Grand Rapids, MI, 49546. I am over the age of eighteen (18) and competent to testify to the matters stated herein. I have personal knowledge of the facts set forth in this Affidavit. Being first duly sworn, under oath, freely state the following:

Background

1. I have never been adjudicated as mentally defective or mentally incompetent by any court, nor ordered to be involuntarily committed to a mental health facility.
2. I have no prior arrests or convictions. To confirm this, I obtained my Internet Criminal History Access Tool (ICHAT) report through Michigan State Police, which showed no record.

Denial of License to Purchase

3. In April 2025, I applied for a Michigan License to Purchase (LTP) through the Kentwood Police Department.
4. On April 16, 2025, the Kentwood Police Department denied my application.
5. The denial I received specifically stated: "Upon review, applicant is denied under probable cause of harm to self or others."
6. The denial I received also stated, "It is your responsibility to contact each source of record to correct any potential error(s) resulting in this LTP denial."
7. In the denial letter, I was notified that I "may appeal this notice of statutory disqualification to KENTWOOD POLICE DEPARTMENT or the FBI Criminal Justice Information Services (CJIS) Division's NICS Section."
8. Included in the denial letter from the Kentwood Police Department was a NICS Transaction Number (NTN).

Federal Records and UPIN Issuance

9. Seeking to verify my eligibility, my legal counsel submitted an inquiry to the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) Criminal Justice Information Services (CJIS) Division on or about July 14, 2025.
10. On September 22, 2025, I received the results from the FBI/CJIS inquiry, confirming that I have no prohibiting records in their systems.
11. Following this confirmation, I submitted a Voluntary Appeal File (VAF) application through the FBI, using the NICS Transaction Number from my prior denial on the Authorization form, to request a Unique Personal Identification Number (UPIN) and prevent future denials or delays.
12. On November 22, 2025, the FBI successfully issued me a UPIN,
13. On or around January 28, 2026, I attempted to obtain a purchase permit from the Kentwood Police Department.
14. I presented the letter I received from the FBI, which included my UPIN.
15. I was turned away and unable to apply for an LTP.
16. They said that I would have to show proof of a successful appeal of the last rejection, which they reprinted and gave to me.
17. I was informed by the Kentwood Police Department that they did not recognize my UPIN as a successful appeal of my prior denial.
18. The Kentwood Police Department would not give me an official denial for this attempt to apply for an LTP, even after obtaining a UPIN.
19. Despite the FBI confirming I have no prohibiting federal records and issuing a UPIN, I

Affiant sayeth nothing further.

Signed: Thomas Overly

Date: 3-20-2026

Subscribed and sworn to by Scott M Zwiars before me on the 20th day of March, 2026.

Signature Scott M Zwiars

Printed name SCOTT M ZWIARS

Notary public, State of Michigan, County of KENT

My commission expires 05/12/2031



SCOTT M ZWIARS
My Commission Expires
May 12, 2031
County of Kent
Acting in the County of KENT

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