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The second amendment is a right. The United States Supreme Court has ruled that we have an individual right to have firearms in our homes and carry firearms on our person when we leave our homes. The SCOTUS stated that firearms can restricted in sensitive places, such as court houses which makes sense. How many places are you going to deem sensitive that are not and tell the citizens we do not have a right to carry firearms there? Public buildings are just that public. We the people own them, and you are trying to make it a crime for the people to carry firearms in our buildings and the property surrounding them. What are you trying to accomplish? You can't believe that criminals are going to follow the law. Only those of us that are not criminals will follow the law, and we will be disarmed when we need our firearms the most. I have been carrying a firearm on my person for over 30 years, and I had to use it for self-defense once. If I would not have had my firearm, I would have been defenseless. What could be more personal than you telling me that I must be unarmed and defenseless?