

**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.

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Alabama

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

PENDING

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.

Source: “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:** 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:** 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:** 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:** Carey H. Dyess

SUICIDE

Date: June 2, 2011

People Killed: 6 (including shooter)

Circumstances: On June 2, 2011, Carey H. Dyess, 73, went on an hours-long shooting rampage in two communities, killing five before taking his own life. In Arizona legal gun owners can carry concealed handguns without a permit. From approximately five in the morning till approximately five and three quarters of an hour later when he was found dead from a self-inflicted gunshot wound, Dyess gunned down his fifth ex-wife, Theresa Lorraine Sigurdson, 61, her lawyer, and three of her friends. One additional victim was shot seven times and survived. In court filings Dyess had claimed that Sigurdson—from whom he was divorced in 2007 after arguments over money and their 10-acre property—and her friends had harassed him.

Source: “Sole survivor of Yuma Co. shootings breaks her silence,” *KYMA*, June 17, 2011; “Arizona: Shooter Claimed He Was Harassed,” *Associated Press*, June 3, 2011; “Yuma shootings: 5 people killed; gunman dead,” *azcentral.com*, June 3, 2011.

Arizona

- **Legal Concealed Handgun Carrier:** Jared Lee Loughner

INCOMPETENT TO STAND TRIAL

Date: January 8, 2011

People Killed: 6

Circumstances: On January 8, 2011, Jared Lee Loughner, 22, armed with a Glock 19 pistol outfitted with a 33-round ammunition magazine opened fire at a “Congress on Your Corner” constituent event held by Arizona U.S. Representative Gabrielle Giffords outside a Tucson Safeway supermarket. Loughner killed six people, including a federal judge and a nine-year-old girl, and injured 13, including Giffords, who was shot once in the face. In 2010, Arizona became only the third state that does not require a permit of any type to carry a concealed handgun outside of the home. As a result, Loughner was able to legally carry his pistol to the Giffords event in his assassination attempt. When Loughner stopped to eject his emptied magazine and insert a full one, he was tackled and disarmed by two men and a woman at the event. The event almost took an even more tragic turn when Joe Zamudio, another concealed weapons holder, came on the scene and almost shot one of the men who had disarmed Loughner in a case of mistaken identity. Zamudio described on *Fox & Friends* how he had come out of a Walgreens and ran to the shooting site with his handgun’s safety off, his hand on the gun ready to draw. As he rounded the corner, Zamudio saw one of the men who had disarmed Loughner holding the Glock pistol, stating, “And that’s who I at first thought was the shooter. I told him to ‘Drop it, drop it!’” In response to the interviewer’s observation that, “Had you shot that guy, it would have been a big, fat mess,” Zamudio responded, “I was very lucky. Honestly, it was a matter of seconds. Two, maybe three seconds between when I came through the doorway and when I was laying on top of [the real shooter], holding him down. So, I mean, in that short amount of time I made a lot of really big decisions really fast....I was really lucky.” Zamudio added in a later interview, “I could have easily done the wrong thing and hurt a lot of people.”

In an “initial indictment” Loughner was charged with three counts of attempted murder and held without bail. He pleaded not guilty. Additional state and federal murder charges are expected.

UPDATE: On May 25, 2011, a federal judge ruled that Jared Lee Loughner was incompetent to stand trial. Judge Larry A. Burns ordered Loughner to be sent back to a federal medical center where he would be held for treatment and further evaluation. Burns scheduled a hearing for September 21, 2011, to determine if Loughner’s condition had improved enough for him to assist in his own defense.

Source: “Jared Lee Loughner ruled incompetent to stand trial,” *Los Angeles Times*, May 25, 2011; “Loughner pleads not guilty to attempted murder charges,” *The Hill’s Blog Briefing Room*, January 24, 2011; “Close call at the OK Corral,” *Denver Post*, January 18, 2011; “Daniel Hernandez: The Intern Who Helped Rescue Giffords,” *Time*, January 13, 2011; “Friendly Firearms,” *Slate*, January 11, 2011; “The Weapon and the Laws,” *New York Times*, January 10, 2011; “Gabrielle Giffords shooting: 61-year-old woman emerges as hero,” *The Telegraph*, January 10, 2011; “Rep. Gabrielle Giffords shot in Tucson rampage; federal judge killed,” *Washington Post*, January 9, 2011.

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:** Richard Vithya Tauch

PENDING

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.

Source: "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.

Colorado

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

PENDING

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.

Source: "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:** Allana Carey

PENDING

Date: January 2, 2012

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On January 2, 2012, concealed carry permit holder Allana 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.

Source: “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.

Florida

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

PENDING

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.

Source: “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:** Kenneth Roop

PENDING

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.

Source: "'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:** George Zimmerman

PENDING

Date: February 26, 2012

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On February 26, 2012, concealed handgun permit holder George Zimmerman, 28, shot and killed Trayvon Martin, 17, with a 9mm handgun as Martin was returning from a nearby 7-11 convenience store where he had purchased an ice tea and a package of Skittles. Martin was visiting the home of his father's girlfriend, located in the gated community of The Retreat at Twin Lakes. At 7:17 PM, Zimmerman, the neighborhood watch captain, called 911 to report Martin as a suspicious person. Zimmerman, driving around the neighborhood in his car, called to report what he called "a real suspicious guy." Said Zimmerman, "This guy looks like he's up to no good, or he's on drugs or something. It's raining and he's just walking around, looking about." Zimmerman added, "These assholes, they always get away." Despite being told by the 911 operator not to follow him, Zimmerman followed Martin. Just two minutes after Zimmerman had called the police, six neighbors dialed 911 to report a fight between the two and then a gunshot. In shooting the unarmed teen, Zimmerman claimed self-defense. Local police did not arrest Zimmerman in connection with the shooting because of Florida's Stand Your Ground law, which allows private citizens to use lethal force if they believe their safety or life is in danger. Public outcry following the shooting gained national attention and focused on issues of race (Martin was black), the NRA-drafted 'Shoot First' law, and the state's lax concealed weapons laws. On March 19, the U.S. Justice Department announced that it would investigate the case. The next day, the state attorney for Seminole County announced that a grand jury would be convened to look into the case.

Source: "Trayvon Martin Killing: Why George Zimmerman Could Still Totally Get Away With It," *Broward-Palm Beach New Times* (blog), March 21, 2012; "Neighbor comes to defense of Trayvon Martin's shooter," *msnbc.com*, March 21, 2012; "Trayvon Martin case to go to grand jury, Fla. state attorney announces," *msnbc.com*, March 20, 2012; "Parents seek justice for unarmed son's killing," *CBSnews.com*, March 8, 2012.

Florida

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

PENDING

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.

Sources: “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

PENDING

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.

Source: “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

PENDING

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.

Source: “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

PENDING

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.

Source: "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-girlfriend'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:** 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.

Source: "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:** Narcisse “Nas” Antoine

PENDING

Date: June 1, 2009

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On June 1, 2009, Narcisse “Nas” Antoine allegedly shot and killed Brandon Thomas and wounded Jeffrey Thompson after an incident outside the Mystique Lounge in West Palm Beach. Antoine had a concealed handgun permit. According to his lawyer, Antoine was threatened by the two men and acted in self defense. Antoine was arrested and charged with second-degree murder and attempted first-degree murder.

UPDATE: On June 1, 2011, Narcisse Antoine was sentenced to 40 years in prison for attempted second degree murder for the wounding of Jeffrey Thompson. Antoine was also tried for first degree murder in the death of Brandon Thomas but the jury was unable to reach a verdict on that charge. According to prosecutors, he will be re-tried at a later date.

Source: “Boynton man gets 40-year sentence for attempted murder,” *The Sun-Sentinel*, June 1, 2011; “Club Shooting was Self-Defense, Lawyer Says,” *Palm Beach Post*, June 7, 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 allegedly shot and killed U.S. Customs and Border Protection Agent Donald Pettit 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.

Source: “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:** Gabriel Mobley

PENDING

Date: February 28, 2008

People Killed: 2

Circumstances: On February 28, 2008, Gabriel Mobley allegedly shot and killed Jason Jesus Gonzalez and Rolando Carrazana during an argument in the parking lot of a Chili's restaurant in Miami Lakes. Police said the men were arguing over a woman inside the restaurant and the argument escalated in the parking lot. Mobley, who had a concealed handgun permit, initially claimed that he had shot only one of the men and was acting in self defense. But a review of surveillance video by prosecutors showed Mobley shooting both men, and that one of the men had his hands "raised and free from any objects or weapons." Mobley was charged with two counts of second degree murder.

Source: "Florida's Stand Your Ground law vexes courts," *Miami Herald*, December 27, 2009; "Man Charged in Fatal Chili's Shootings," *justnews.com*, June 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

PENDING

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.

Source: "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:** Javaris Crittenton

PENDING

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.

Source: "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:** 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:** Chris Stone

CONVICTED

Date: August 29, 2010

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On August 29, 2010, concealed handgun permit holder Chris Stone, 50, shot and killed his wife Florence, 32, with a pistol in the driveway of her former home. Florence Stone had come to the house to collect personal items. Stone claimed that he acted in self defense and that his spouse had stabbed him in the abdomen with a steak knife as she stood by her minivan. Prosecutors said the evidence showed that in fact she had been held down, a gun placed to the back of her neck, and shot twice. Mail intercepted from Stone while in prison following the shooting revealed that he had told another prisoner that he had actually stabbed himself. In September 2011, Chris Stone was sentenced to 20 years in prison with nine years fixed before he would be eligible for parole for second degree murder. At sentencing, Stone admitted that he did not act in self defense in the shooting. The couple had two children, a 12-year-old boy and a 10-year-old girl.

Source: "Chris Stone of Caldwell, sentenced for murdering estranged wife, confirms expert's theory," *The Idaho Statesman*, September 23, 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.

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.

Idaho

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

SUICIDE

Date: May 19, 2007

Total Killed: 4 (including shooter)

Total Wounded: 3

Law Enforcement Officers Killed: 1

Circumstances: On May 19, 2007, Jason Kenneth Hamilton, a member of the white supremacist group Aryan Nation, 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.” He also possessed a federally registered fully-automatic AK-47 machine gun, one of the guns he used in the shooting spree.

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.

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.

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.

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:** 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

PENDING

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.

Source: “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:** Ed Myers

PENDING

Date: August 29, 2012

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On August 29, 2012, concealed handgun permit holder Ed Myers, 46, was driving his pick-up truck at approximately 7:00 PM when he struck bicyclist Henry Enoch, 42, who had disregarded a “Do Not Cross” traffic signal at an intersection. Enoch “became enraged” and started beating Myers through the window of his truck. Myers allegedly fired one shot, hitting Enoch in the chest and killing him. Prosecutors are deciding whether criminal charges should be filed against Myers.

Source: “Motorist who fatally shot bicyclist in Taylor released, *Detroit News*, August 31, 2012.

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:** 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

PENDING

Date: Between July 1, 2010 and June 30, 2011

People Killed: 5

Law Enforcement Officers Killed: 1

Circumstances: Between July 1, 2010 and June 30, 2011, Michigan State Police report that five Michigan concealed handgun permit holders had criminal homicide charges pending against them. 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.

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

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

PENDING

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 had criminal homicide charges pending against them. 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.

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

PENDING

Date: Between July 1, 2007 and June 30, 2008

People Killed: 5

Circumstances: Between July 1, 2007 and June 30, 2008, Michigan State Police report that five Michigan concealed handgun permit holders had criminal homicide charges pending against them. 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.

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:** 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:** 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:** 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.

Source: “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:** 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.

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:** 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:** 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.

Source: "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:** 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.

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: "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:** 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:** 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:** Darrell Dean Laffoon

PENDING

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.

Source: "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, 201.

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:** William Allabaugh

PENDING

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.

Source: “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

PENDING

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.

Source: "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

PENDING

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.

Source: “Security guard charged with manslaughter in Allentown club killing,” *The Morning Call*, June 7, 2012.

Pennsylvania

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

PENDING

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.

Source: "Man showing off gun is charged in shooting death," *philly.com*, April 29, 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

PENDING

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.

Source: "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.

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:** William Shane Moreland

PENDING

Date: November 19, 2010

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On November 19, 2010, concealed handgun permit holder William Shane Moreland, 31, allegedly shot and killed Thomas L. Mullins Jr., 50, with a Glock pistol. According to the Bluffton Police Department, at about nine o'clock that night, Mullins walked up to Moreland's front door and knocked. Moreland came outside through the home's garage and allegedly shot Mullins once. The gunshot struck Mullins in the right side of his chest and he was taken to Coastal Carolina Hospital where he was pronounced dead. Moreland was charged with voluntary manslaughter, and according to his lawyer, plans to file a motion for immunity under the state's Castle Doctrine.

Source: "Bond Set For Bluffton Man Charged In Shooting Death of Neighbor," *WSAV.com*, November 30, 2010; "Details emerge of fatal neighbor dispute in Bluffton," *The Island Packet*, November 30, 2010.

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:** Gregory Morris Booton

PENDING

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.

Source: "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:** 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:** Norman Bren Whitton

PENDING

Date: April 15, 2010

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On April 15, 2010, concealed handgun permit holder Norman Bren Whitton, 69, allegedly shot and killed fellow retiree Larry Butcher, 74, after a road-rage incident at an upscale East Tennessee retirement village. Whitton reportedly shot Butcher in the chest with a revolver after Butcher drove his golf cart into the path of Whitton's Cadillac sedan. Sheriff Tim Guider told reporters that Whitton claimed self-defense although Butcher was not armed. Whitton was charged with second-degree murder.

Source: "Yet Another Killing Charged to State-Licensed Gunman," *Nashville Scene*, April 19, 2010; "Man on golf cart fatally shot in Loudon County retirement village, another resident charged," *www.wreg.com*, April 19, 2010; Database of Tennessee Handgun Carry Permits, *The Commercial Appeal*, www.commercialappeal.com/data/gunpermits.

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

PENDING

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.

Source: “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

PENDING

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.

Source: "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:** Crystal Scott

PENDING

Date: September 17, 2012

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On September 17, 2012 concealed handgun permit holder Crystal Scott, 23, allegedly shot and killed an unnamed man after a minor roadway collision. After the collision, Scott, who was on her way to work at approximately 7:20 AM., pulled into a Shell station to exchange information with the other driver. According to Scott, after the two were parked at the gas station the man, whose name was not released by police, got out of his pick-up truck and ran up to her car, yelling, hitting her car window, and attempting to open her car door. Scott fired a pistol at the man who was found dead by police with two gunshot wounds to the chest. Scott had called 911 prior to pulling into the gas station, concerned about the man's actions following the collision: pulling in front of her car with his vehicle and then slamming on his brakes. Scott was released without charges and her case was referred to the Harris County grand jury.

Source: "Possible road rage ends in fatal shooting," *www.chron.com*, September 17, 2012.

Texas

- **Concealed Handgun Permit Holder:** Dennis Roy Redding

PENDING

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.

Source: "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, 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 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.

Source: "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:** Richard Calderon

PENDING

Date: March 3, 2010

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On March 3, 2010, Richard Calderon, 24, allegedly shot and killed 13-year-old Alexis Wiley following a hit-and-run motor vehicle accident. According to investigators cited in press reports, Wiley and her mother were traveling in their gray Nissan Altima when Calderon, driving a four-door Cadillac, bypassed a stop sign, crashed his car into the Altima, and then drove on. Wiley's mother chased after the Cadillac to get its license plate number and a more complete description of the vehicle. After getting the plate number, Wiley's mother passed the Cadillac, at which point Calderon allegedly fired several shots at the Altima, at least one of which struck the 13-year-old in the head. Calderon stated that he fired at the woman's car because he thought he saw something shiny being pointed outside the car's window. Calderon, who had a concealed handgun permit, was charged with murder. In addition to surrendering all of his firearms, he was also forced to give up his concealed handgun permit.

Source: "Accused Road Rage Shooter Appears in Court," *myfoxbhouston.com*, March 5, 2010; "Hit-And-Run Leads to Shooting; Teenage Texas Girl Killed." *kwtx.com*, March 5, 2010.

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:** 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:** Bradley Scott Gregory

PENDING

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.

Source: "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

INCOMPETENT TO STAND TRIAL

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: In June 2010, a Virginia judge ruled that Speight—facing three counts of capital murder and six other charges—was incompetent to stand trial and ordered him sent to a state psychiatric hospital. If found competent after treatment, Speight could stand trial for the shooting deaths.

Source: "Va. shooting suspect ruled incompetent," *Washington Post*, June 30, 2010; "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:** Reginald Royals Jr.

CONVICTED

Date: March 22, 2009

People Killed: 1

Circumstances: On March 22, 2009, Reginald Royals Jr., 24, allegedly shot and killed Juan Carlos Ovalle and wounded Marcus McGee following an altercation in a parking garage. After Ovalle pulled out of his parking space, he was soon stopped in traffic trying to leave the garage. Royals' car then twice bumped into Ovalle's. Ovalle and McGee got out of their car to inspect the damage and exchange phone numbers with Royals. Ovalle and McGee were concerned that Royals may not have had car insurance so they approached him a second time to get the name of his insurance company. At that point, punches were thrown between the three men. Ovalle, who had a concealed handgun permit, was carrying a gun but did not display it. A passerby shouted for the men to stop fighting and at that time, Royals reached into his car, pulled a gun, and started shooting. Royals had a concealed handgun permit. Royals was charged with murder, malicious wounding, and weapons violations. Royals claimed that he acted in self defense, but the prosecutor in the case stated that because he had no reasonable fear of death he should not have reacted with deadly force. The judge in the case noted, "If neither of these guys had a gun it just would have been some hot words." Royals was found guilty of unlawful wounding and sentenced to 90 days in jail and a \$2,500 fine. He was acquitted of the second degree murder charge.

Source: "Waterside garage shooter gets 90 days, \$2,500 fine," *Virginian-Pilot*, January 23, 2010; "Case of shooting in Waterside garage to go to grand jury," *hamptonroads.com*, June 2, 2009; "Man charged in Waterside slaying denied bond," *hamptonroads.com*, July 15, 2009.

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:** Dinh Bowman

PENDING

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.

Source: “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

PENDING

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 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 Julio Segura-McIntosh, three. 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.

Source: "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

PENDING

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.”

Source: “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.

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.