

What does the second amendment authorizes Americans to do?

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PICK THE "WELL-REGULATED MILITIA"



The 2nd may be the single most mysterious part of the It's an ungrammatical sentence, it militias, which don't even exist anymore, and it's been the subject of an intense, intense The 2nd Amendment has two parts. The first part talks about state militias. It says that state militias are of national defense. And the second part refers to the right arms. The question of the two is something people Militias were how the United States raised armies, in the early days of the Republic. There were essentially volunteer forces of young men who fought for and fought for in what were called militias. Starting about , a lot of conservatives, especially in the National Rifle Association, started to say, 'Look, the 2nd Amendment has been by the courts. It is not just about state militias, it's about 'right to keep and bear arms.' And the National Rifle Association, academics it, other academics, started for an individual right to keep and bear arms. This question about what the 2nd amendment , has one final arbiter, and that's the of the United States. In 2008, the Supreme Court said there was an individual right to keep and bear a handgun in your home. Justice Scalia's in the 2008 Heller case said also the government can dangerous and What's a and unusual weapon? We don't really know. Is it an weapon? Maybe. Is it a tank? I think it's to say yes. I don't think the Supreme Court is going back at this point. The court is not going to make a 180 degree turn on the 2nd Amendment. But they could certainly the right to keep and bear arms.