

Qualifications for “good cause” that set people apart from the general public and raise their need for a CCW:

- **California State Bar Card (Active Licensed Attorneys)**
  - o Attorneys often will have disgruntled clients and/or family members of people convicted of crimes or subject to other civil court orders. Often this leads attorneys open to threats and attacks. This is not just the case for criminal attorneys but civil attorneys as well. For example, family law attorneys often get blamed by family members in custody battles and can be the victim to threats and attacks.
- **Active California Real Estate License**
  - o Real estate agents often show homes to complete strangers at odd hours and in remote locations leaving them susceptible to assaults. Additionally, real estate agents have access to many homes and their contents. It is extremely easy for real estate agents to be forced to provide access to homes against their will if they are not able to properly defend themselves.
- **Medical License and Pharmacists Licenses**
  - o Doctors and pharmacists who have active medical licenses have large access to drugs, narcotics, and needles. This makes them extremely vulnerable to attacks and or robbery for their prescription pad, and drugs that are kept on hand. They also work late and odd hours, which can leave them susceptible when no one else is around.
- **DD214 (veterans)**
  - o Veterans are well versed in gun safety and handling. Additionally, many have undergone additional training in tactics, safety, self-defense and proper defensive engagement| when using a firearm.
- **NRA Certified Pistol Instructor Certification (or other equivalent) and Certified CCW instructors**
  - o Both active NRA instructors and certified CCW instructors transport multiple weapons and large amounts of ammunition for use in their classes. These classes can be held at odd hours and in remote locations leaving them susceptible to attacks and or robbery for their firearms. Additionally, these firearms can be worth a large amount of money. Instructors should be able to have a loaded firearm on their person in order to stop robberies and attacks that might occur.
- **Active service/Military Identification**
  - o As active service members, they are already trusted with firearms used in combat and our actively meeting qualification standards with firearms. Well-trained individuals are the exact category of people who should be able to carry concealed.
- **Proof of Business Ownership**
  - o As a business owner, the individual is more likely to be victim to robberies and assaults either for the cash they have on hand or for the contents of their business. Most businesses have thousands of dollars of cash and assets on hand everyday.
- **Letter from authorized business owners or officers requesting an employee be granted a CCW**
  - o If the employer of a business would like their employees to be able to defend themselves and others at their business, this should be a permissible good cause. Especially, if the business owner is not always around.
- **Authorization from religion based organization authorizing a member, volunteer, or employee**

- Religious organizations can fall victim to attacks based on their religious beliefs. Many churches and religious organizations have large congregations of families and children. If a religious organization wants a selected group of volunteers to be able to carry concealed on the premises to ensure the safety of others, this should be sufficient to meet the good cause requirement.
- **Federally Firearms Licensed Dealer and employees**
  - As these individuals operate gun stores, they are extremely vulnerable to robberies and attacks that attempt to steal the businesses firearms and ammunition. They are also open to attacks from various anti-gun groups that target business operations such as this.
- **Active or retired federal, state, or local law enforcement and spouse**
  - Many active and retired law enforcement officers deal with threats and even attacks by convicts and their families that they arrested. Additionally, they have received firearms training in the use of a firearm in self-defense.
- **Elected Officials**
  - Elected officials will often get death threats and have even been attacked for their political ideas and groups. For those who cannot hire private armed security, they should be able to defend themselves if they see fit.
- **California Guard Card**
- **Physically disabled**
  - Individuals who do not have full motor functions of their body such as people who are bound to a wheelchair have a huge physical disadvantage if they are attacked. Thus, - they should be able to protect themselves with a firearm, as this is the only self-defense tool that does not require a minimum amount of strength or flexibility.
- **Business owners who make monthly cash deposits over \$2,000.00**
  - By routinely carrying large amounts of cash, these business owners are susceptible to robbery and attack on a regular basis.
- **Out of state CCW permit holders** (meaning if you currently possess one or more CCW permits from other states, this will qualify your “good cause” requirement in CA. Applicants will still have to meet California’s other standards – Thus this is not reciprocity.)
  - As other states have already deemed these individuals to be safe to carry concealed, these permits should be persuasive in issuing a California CCW. Multiple out of state permits should at least be able to satisfy some of the California CCW requirements, including good cause.