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Amy Bohn, President of PERK

Amy Bohn is the co-founder and President of PERK, Protection of the Educational Rights of Kids. Amy is originally from Arkansas and has a degree in psychology and a background in life coaching, working with people of all walks of life. Her leadership has impacted people of all ages. As an activist leader in California, Amy speaks across the state on issues encouraging and teaching people how to protect their children and families. Amy has been a professional speaker at rally's, events, news interview, inspiring and empowering people to fight for their freedoms, helping them remember their own power to take effective and decisive action. Amy is the mother of three children and married to the love of her life for 23 years.

As the President of PERK, Amy leads a bi-partisan, non-profit whose mission is to advocate for medical freedom, bodily autonomy, children's rights, parental rights, civil rights, and protecting children's right to an education. PERK achieves its mission through educational outreach, action, advocacy, litigation, and legislation. PERK has tens of thousands of members throughout California, consisting of parents of children attending school, public employees, first responders, and concerned citizens. PERK was founded in 2019 and meets with legislators, lawyers, schools, school boards, Board of Supervisors, Superintendents, and more, addressing important issues impacting families and children. PERK is currently focused on stopping the mandates, educating about legislation, and filing legal action protecting citizens, parental rights, and medical freedom.



John Howard, Founder of JW Howard/Attorneys, Business & Constitutional Trial Lawyer

A corporate, business and Constitutional litigator for more than forty years, John Howard has distinguished himself both at trial and in his ability to successfully short-circuit major lawsuits through the skillful use of early motions. He has handled hundreds of cases though trial, mediation and arbitration.

Mr. Howard has deployed his trial skill for dozens of clients in cases throughout the nation, successfully pressing their rights in state and federal court. A recognized Constitutional scholar whose analytical skills have been recognized at the highest levels, Mr. Howard has served as a consultant to the Utah State Legislature on matters of Constitutional law, state/federal relations and state sovereignty since 2014. He has also served as special counsel to the Attorney General of the State of Utah.

At the same time as Mr. Howard was assisting corporate clients with protective transactions and litigation defense, he became nationally known as a Constitutional litigator in the trial courts, representing counties and states in disputes with the federal government and numerous plaintiffs whose First Amendment rights had been threatened. His cases in this area were profiled in Time, The Wall Street Journal, The New York Times, The Washington Post, The Dallas Morning News, The Los Angeles Times, CNN, Fox News and many others.

Mr. Howard has been recognized as a "Preeminent Attorney" by Martindale Hubbell and has received the Albert Nelson Marquis Lifetime Achievement Award from Who's Who and has been listed in Who's Who in America and Who's Who in American Law for more than 25 years. He has been listed as a "Top Attorney" by Marquis Who's Who as well as by San Diego Magazine among the "Best Attorneys in San Diego".



Captain Manuel Del Toro from San Diego PD

He is a Hispanic male Captain for the San Diego Police Department assigned to Northwestern Patrol Division. I was born and raised in National City, California. He has a degree in Criminal Justice from San Diego State University and has dedicated 33 years to the department this fall. During this time in the department, he simultaneously served in the US Army Reserves and retired with 20 years of service in 2007. He spent 2004 deployed in Iraq where I was awarded the Bronze Star for his work running convoys in a combat environment throughout Iraq. As a detective, he served in Domestic Violence, Narcotics, Gangs, Child Abuse and Homicide. Until promoted to a sergeant after almost 20 years in the department. As a sergeant, he was assigned to Southern Division, Internal Affairs and back to Homicide. During this four-year tour in Homicide, I was awarded the department' Officer of the year in 2015 for supervising my team to the highest solving rate in the unit and solving some significant cases throughout the city. He was promoted to Captain after 28 years of service and served at Southern Division and is now currently assigned to Southeastern Division.

As a Captain, he has seen how the mandates are impacting his officers and the potential to lose more if they are fired over the vaccine mandates. This directly impacts his ability to provide the high level of SDPD service San Diego citizens have grown to expect will be compromised.



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Captain Justus Norgord from San Diego FD

Justus Norgord is a Captain/Paramedic for the San Diego Fire-Rescue Department. He has worked for 26 years for the City of San Diego which has afforded him many great opportunities to get involved with many different areas within the Fire Service. He is currently one of the most senior Captains on the job. He was a member of a special team called the STAR (Special Trauma and Response)Team where he performed as a Tactical Paramedic. He had the great opportunity to work as a Flight Paramedic for the city's Copter Program. It was during that time that he also trained with the Coast Guard and responded with the Coast Guard out to sea to rescue those in need. His career has also included responding all over the state to fight wildfires.



Officer Jonathan Wiese from San Diego PD

One of the Brave plaintiffs in our lawsuit is Jonathan Weise. He is currently a San Diego Police Officer assigned to the K-9 unit and has been in the department for over 23 years. He has more 20 awards including recently being awarded the "Carnegie Hero Medal" and the national "Top Cop" award. He has been a strength and leader to the San Diego Community.

1995 M1A1 Tank Crewman Honor Graduate Fort Knox Kentucky/1996 SDPD Cadet Academy Jerry Hartle ss award/1998 42nd Regional Academy Academic Honor Graduate/1998 42nd Regional Academy Emergency Vehicle Operations Course Honor Graduate/2007 Life Saving Citation/2011 Northeastern Division VFW Officer of the Year/2012 Life Saving Citation/2015 SDPD K-9 Handler of the Year

2019 Honor Guard Member of the Year

2019 SDPD K-9 Handler of the Year

2019 SDPD Officer of the Year

2019 North San Diego Business Chamber of Commerce Hero Award

2020 Heroic Act Award US Lifesaving Association

2020 Medal of Valor CA Surf Lifesaving Association

2020 Medal of Valor California State Firefighters Association

2020 American Red Cross Real Heroes Law Enforcement Award

2020 National Law Enforcement Memorial and Museum Officer of the Month (July)

2020 August 6th Officer Jonathan Wiese Day, San Diego City Council Proclamation

2021 Carnegie Hero Medal

2021 Top Cop, National Association of Police Officers



Adam Devor from San Diego PD

Adam Devor joined the San Diego Police Department in 2014. Since graduating, he has worked exclusively in the Central Division which is the busiest command in all of SDPD. Adam cares about public safety which is demonstrated in his 8 years straight of earning the MADD top cop award for Central Division. And in 2018 he was honored as Central Division's Officer of the shift. Adam isn't afraid of hard work. In January 2022, he was sworn into his position as a Director with the San Diego Police Officers Association.



Cory Beckwith from San Diego FD

Cory Beckwith has served the City of San Diego for the past 26 years as a member of the San Diego Fire-Rescue Department. He currently holds the rank of Captain/Paramedic and serves as the Department's EMS Operations Coordinator, Special Tactics and Rescue (STAR) Team Leader and Search Team Manager for California Task Force 8 Urban Search and Rescue. Earlier is his career, Captain Beckwith served as a board member for the SDFD Sports Club, California State Firefighter's Athletic Association and Vice-President of San Diego Firefights Local 145. His involvement and contributions in the fire service throughout his career, is a testament to the pride and dedication he takes in representing the City while serving the public as a firefighter for one of the best departments in the nation.



Paul Lotze, Founder of San Diego Firefighters 4 Freedom

Paul Lotze is the founder of San Diego Firefighters 4 Freedom, previously a non profit established to support and defend firefighters throughout The County of San Diego. He also serves the city as a Fire Engineer for The San Diego Fire-Rescue Department. During his time with SDFD he has served on the Hazardous Materials Response Team, worked in Post Academy Training to train probationary firefighters and most recently was voted by his peers to sit on the governing board overseeing San Diego City's pension for his fellow firefighters.