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## FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

### **SB Tactical® Files Lawsuit Challenging ATF Rule on Pistol Stabilizing Braces**

**Bradenton, Fla. (February 9, 2023)** – SB Tactical®, in conjunction with the Firearms Regulatory Accountability Coalition (FRAC), B&T USA, Rick Cicero, and a massive coalition of states, has filed a lawsuit against the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives (ATF) challenging the legality of a federal rule that reverses a decade of relied upon agency precedent and retroactively bans or forces the registration of millions of pistols equipped with stabilizing braces, contrary to federal statutes enacted by Congress.

“Under the guise of ‘public safety,’ the ATF has placed millions of law-abiding firearm owners in legal jeopardy,” said Jeff Creamer, president and CEO of SB Tactical. “It’s a gross overreach of the Bureau’s authority and, if allowed to stand, will result in the largest gun registration scheme in U.S. history.”

FRAC, as lead plaintiff, filed the litigation in the U.S. District Court for the District of North Dakota. A coalition of 25<sup>1</sup> states, led by West Virginia Attorney General Patrick Morrisey and North Dakota Attorney General Drew Wrigley, have also echoed the demands for accountability by joining this litigation against the ATF.

“As we’ve seen with similar cases like *Cargill v. Garland*, wherein FRAC, SB Tactical, and B&T USA all appeared as *amici curiae*, the 5<sup>th</sup> Circuit Court of Appeals held that such regulatory overreaches are not within the ATF’s authority,” said Travis White, president and CEO of FRAC. “We feel that there is a positive trend towards regulatory accountability in the Courts, and we are confident that the Courts will continue to hold the ATF accountable for their pattern of regulatory overreach and ever-shifting positions.”

In addition to encouraging all manufacturers who are frustrated by the ATF’s arbitrary and capricious approach to regulation to join FRAC, SB Tactical would also like to

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<sup>1</sup> WV, ND, AL, AK, AR, FL, GA, ID, IN, IA, KS, KY, LA, MS, MO, MT, NE, NH, OK, SC, SD, TN, UT, VA, WY

sincerely thank the National Rifle Association (NRA) for their tremendous support and assistance with this litigation.

### **About SB Tactical®**

SB Tactical®, the originator of the Pistol Stabilizing Brace® and manufacturers of industry-leading firearms accessories, is setting the bar for innovation and product development in the large frame pistol category. The SB Tactical line of products is U.S. veteran designed and proudly manufactured in the U.S.A. For more information on the brand's growing line of products for multiple firearms platforms, visit [www.sb-tactical.com](http://www.sb-tactical.com).

### **About FRAC**

The Firearms Regulatory Accountability Coalition, Inc., was created by firearms industry leaders and its stakeholders to improve business conditions by ensuring that firearms regulatory agencies, including the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives (ATF), operates in a fair, transparent, and consistent manner.

FRAC serves as the premiere national trade association representing U.S. and international firearms manufacturers, importers, and innovators on regulatory and legislative issues impacting the industry in the United States. To learn more, visit [www.fracaction.org](http://www.fracaction.org).

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