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Spokane Protest To Defy Judge's Gun Ban On Federal Grounds

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Anthony Bosworth addresses the crowd as protesters defy the ban on federal grounds.

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Despite a last-minute legal maneuver by a federal judge to ban guns on federal property, not just inside designated facilities as provided for in United States Code, protesters plan on going ahead with today's armed demonstration at the Tom Foley Federal Building in Spokane, the Patrick Henry Society [confirmed in a Thursday post](#) by activist Kit Lange. While the "We will not comply" advocates have reiterated their pledge to protest peacefully, they have also anticipated a legal response that could include arrests and prosecutions.

Those risks arise from [an order signed Monday](#) by Chief United States District Judge Rosanna Malouf Peterson of the United States District Court, Eastern District of Washington, who issued an amendment to existing general orders to thwart today's demonstration. It's being held in protest after activist Anthony Bosworth was arrested Feb. 25 by [DHS](#) police, caged, pressured by [FBI](#) interrogators to give up information about his associates, and released with no charges, but with a "Failure to comply" citation.

The apparent illegality of his arrest last month is highlighted by the judge's order, as had he been violating the law, it would not be needed. Additionally, Bosworth's firearms were confiscated and have not been returned.

Anticipating a strong reaction to their defiance, the protesters have advised supporters "It is IMPERATIVE that we have as much video and photographic evidence as possible." Realizing that recorders can be confiscated, they are also seeking means "to livestream the event."

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