

# The Gun Industry's Clear and Present Danger: Liability to Shooting Victims

The U.S. firearms industry is facing a different kind of existential threat: liability to shooting victims, surmises **Alison Frankel** of Reuters.

She based that statement on the evidence of a petition filed Friday by Remington Arms, maker of the Bushmaster version of the AR-15 rifle that was used to kill 20 small children in Sandy Hook.

“Remington’s lawyers at Baker Botts asked the Supreme Court to grant review of a 2019 ruling in which the Connecticut Supreme Court held that Sandy Hook victims’ families can move forward with a suit attempting to hold Remington responsible for marketing and promoting a military-style weapon to civilians bent on executing campaigns of violence,” she **writes**.

“If the Supreme Court doesn’t step in, Remington said, firearms makers will face “a flood of lawsuits nationwide” that will subject them to “crippling litigation burdens.”

**Read the Reuters article.**