

Pat Harrigan

North Carolina District 14



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POTENTIAL HITS

NEGATIVE

PERSONAL / PROFESSIONAL

Chinese parts and government dollars

Pat Harrigan says we need to be “holding China responsible,”¹ but he clearly doesn’t believe that when it comes to his own bottom line. Import data for Harrigan’s company, ZRODelta, shows that they’ve received 9 shipments from Global Machining Industries – a company based in Suzhou, China – for components ranging from packaging materials to hand tools.

And while ZRODelta has been spending money in China, it’s been collecting checks from taxpayers on the side. The company built its headquarters using a \$500,000 state grant, plus additional funding from Burke County and the town of Rutherford College. At the time, it sounded like a good deal – Harrigan’s company said they’d create 151 jobs over the next five years. But those five years are almost up and Harrigan is currently less than halfway to the number of jobs we were promised.² And after Harrigan bought a California company, he moved it to Montana rather than bring those jobs to North Carolina.³

Taking government money to create jobs, then importing from China? We deserve better in Congress.

Harrigan hates spending, loves bailouts (and may have committed fraud in the process?)

Harrigan has complained that the Democrats’ “runaway spending” and “out of control inflation” were “ruining lives.”⁴ However, Harrigan hasn’t been shying about holding his hand out when that spending can benefit him.

In April 2020, Harrigan’s main companies collected \$424,808 in forgivable PPP loans (plus interest), including a \$312,800 loan for 23 employees at ZRO Delta and a \$109,400 loan for 7 employees at U.S. Optics. Curiously, Harrigan also received a \$20,800 PPP loan for “Critical Capabilities LLC” – the former name of ZRODelta. The company’s given address was Harrigan’s house, and the loan supported just ONE employee (and at near the maximum allowable amount).

Either Harrigan has forgotten how much government aid has meant to the average American, or he has no compunction about biting the hand that feeds him.

Thousand of dollars in tax penalties

Harrigan’s company, ZRODelta, incurred \$2,961 in penalties for late reporting of business property in Burke County. Harrigan also was late reporting his ownership of a jet ski and was also late for his payment of taxes on the jet ski.

¹ “Who is Pat Harrigan, a Republican candidate for U.S. House District 14?”, The Charlotte Observer, Charlotte Observer, 05/03/2022

² “Army veteran bullish on defeating Jeff Jackson in NC14,” Zach Rounceville, Carolina Journal, 5/30/2022

³ “High-end scope assembly company relocates to Kalispell”, Peregrine Frissell, Daily Inter Lake, 11/19/2017

⁴ “GOP House candidates criticize federal relief funding they received themselves”, Josh Israel, The American Independent, 06/22/2022

Rich and Out of Touch

Pat Harrigan has no idea about the day to day issues that working families in his district face. He owns an out-of-district house on the water (complete with a dock and a jet ski) worth almost \$1.5 million.⁵ Rather than raise grassroots support, he's dumped \$50,000 of his own money into his campaign to buy a Congressional seat,⁶ which is more than many of the constituents in his district make in a year. A person with that level of wealth can't possibly empathize with your average citizen. North Carolina deserves better than another representative trying to use their wealth to buy a congressional seat.

HITS FROM THE LEFT

Won't Respect a Woman's Right to Choose

Women's reproductive rights are under their greatest threat in 50 years, and Pat Harrigan is making it clear that he will do nothing to protect them. Harrigan opposed Roe v. Wade, saying it was "based on political motivations," and rooted for the Supreme Court to overturn it.⁷ After it was overturned, Harrigan celebrated the decision⁸ and said it should be "treated as the law of the land and people should abide by it."⁹ It's clear that if elected to Congress, Harrigan will do all he can to help right-wing radicals enforce their will on the women of America.

Opposed to Common Sense Gun Reform

Pat Harrigan makes his livelihood selling firearms, specifically AR-15s, and any gun reform or common sense safety regulations would hurt his bottom line. Harrigan even admitted it in a 2018 interview, saying that he'd been able to kickstart his firearms business thanks to the high demand for AR-15s after the Sandy Hook school shooting:

Pat Harrigan: And so, when we moved down to Fort Bragg to start that portion of my life, we got a little bit more serious about it. You know, at that time AR-15s were, I think, kind of in their heyday. You know, Sandy Hook had happened and, you know, there was a shortage. We kind of have gotten past that shortage. And as you know, 2014, 2015 came along, you know, we found ourselves making or providing for the customization of the AR 15 to a level that the area around Fort Bragg had not seen before and available exclusively to to people that I was working with, the, you know, the left and right at Fort Bragg.

How can we trust Pat Harrigan to take on the gun violence epidemic when his business success depends on our representatives ignoring it?

Wants Taxpayers to Pay for a Useless Border wall

Although Pat Harrigan wants to represent a district on the east coast, he has no issue with his constituents paying for a costly and useless border wall on the southern border. Harrigan claimed to support the "construction of former President Donald J. Trump's border wall,"¹⁰ and said it was time to

⁵ [Zillow.com](https://www.zillow.com)

⁶ [The Pat Harrigan Committee, FEC.gov, Accessed 7/18/2022](https://www.fec.gov)

⁷ "Who is Pat Harrigan, a Republican candidate for U.S. House District 14?", The Charlotte Observer, Charlotte Observer, 05/03/2022

⁸ [@PatHarriganNC, via Twitter, 6/24/2022](https://twitter.com/PatHarriganNC)

⁹ "We asked Charlotte-area, statewide candidates about Roe v. Wade. Here's what they said.", Avi Bajpai, Danielle Battaglia and Will Wright, The Charlotte Observer, Charlotte Observer, 05/03/2022

¹⁰ "Pat Harrigan, a first-time candidate, captures the Republican nomination in North Carolina's 14th District.", Maya King, The New York Times, 05/17/2022

“build the wall.”¹¹ North Carolina deserves a representative that will focus on its issues, not attach himself to the vanity project of a former president at the expense of his constituents.

¹¹ [@PatHarriganNC, via Twitter, 4/25/2022](#)

BIOGRAPHICAL SUMMARY

Summary

Harrigan grew up splitting time between California and Wyoming. He graduated from Frances Parker High School in San Diego, and attended West Point, graduating in 2009 with a bachelor's degree in nuclear engineering. He became a detachment commander in the Green Berets and spent a combined 18 months in Afghanistan.

In 2010, he married Raquel "Rocky," and they have two children together. In 2015, he and his wife started a firearm business from their home near Fort Bragg, which grew into ZRODelta, operating out of a large property in Burke County, North Carolina. In 2022, Harrigan declared his intention to run as a Republican and represent North Carolina's 14th district. He won the GOP primary in May.

TIMELINE

Year	Event
1987	Born in California
2005	Graduated from Frances Parker High School in San Diego, California
2009	Graduated from West Point Military Academy with a bachelor's degree in nuclear engineering
2015	Started ZRODelta, a firearms company, in a doublewide trailer near Fayetteville, North Carolina
2017	Bought a property for ZRODelta and moved the company to Burke County, North Carolina
2022	March: Announced his candidacy for NC-14
2022	May: Won the Republican primary to represent NC-14

EDUCATION

UNITED STATES MILITARY ACADEMY WEST POINT (2005-2009)

Summary

According to the Charlotte Observer, Harrigan graduated in 2009 from West Point military academy with a degree in nuclear engineering.¹²

The West Point Association of Graduates is the alumni association for the United States Military Academy. Its alumni directory shows that Harrigan graduated in 2009.¹³

¹² "Gas prices, blaming Biden center of new Republican ad running in Charlotte", Will Wright, Charlotte Observer, 03/10/2022

¹³ [West Point Association of Graduates, accessed 7/14/2022](#)

EARLY CAREER

GREEN BERETS, U.S. ARMY

Detachment commander in the Green Berets, spent 18 months in Afghanistan

According to the Charlotte Observer, Harrigan became a detachment commander in the Green Berets, which is the special forces of the U.S. Army. Harrigan also spent 18 months in Afghanistan and said he “had the privilege of leading some incredible Americans in some very extreme circumstances.”

Harrigan was injured in the military, leading to his transition into full-time gun sales

In a December 2018 interview, Pat Harrigan said he got injured at the end of 2014 and would no longer be able to fully commit to a career in the military. He then transitioned his firearms sales “hobby” into “actually being a business” in January 2015.¹⁴

In an April 2022 interview, Rocky Harrigan said that Pat Harrigan was injured in the military during a time when their company was selling over a million parts per month, but still out of their doublewide trailer.¹⁵

Rocky Harrigan: [00:20:29] So he's been out [of active duty]. He actually did get injured. And, you know, it's crazy. Things happen exactly how they were supposed to. Thankfully, he's alive and. Yes. And so we're still dealing with an injury. But the the timing was great because we started our company while in. I was selling parts online and bidding on military contracts. And by the time he got out of the army, we were pushing over a million parts out of our doublewide trailer per month. And at that point, we had we were hiring a lot of military spouses and we the company had grown so much that I really needed help. So he although he was working in the business with me, he was getting deployed to Afghanistan and just having random training. So it was good. The timing was great. He got out and together we built our company, we got into manufacturing. We were selling so many parts that we invested everything that we had and in built our business. And it's, it's really it's the way it was supposed to happen.

¹⁴ 2018.12.24 - AR-15 Podcast - Catching Up With Pat & Rocky

¹⁵ 2022.4.17 - The Pageant Buzz - Interview with Rocky Harrigan

DIGITAL FOOTPRINT AND MULTIMEDIA

SOCIAL MEDIA AND ONLINE ACCOUNTS

FACEBOOK

Personal Facebook

Patrick Harrigan has a [personal Facebook account](#) that has three posts on it starting in August 2021. It appears previous posts from the early 2010's were deleted.

Campaign Facebook

Pat Harrigan has a [campaign Facebook page](#) dating back to March 10, 2022. He has 2,200 followers and is following 0 people. The posts are similar to the ones on his Instagram and Twitter.

TWITTER

Campaign Twitter

Harrigan has a [campaign Twitter](#) dating back to March 10, 2022. He has 31 tweets on this Twitter account, is following 29 people, has 457 followers, and the account was created in January 2022. The posts are similar to the ones on his Facebook and Instagram.

INSTAGRAM

Campaign Instagram

Harrigan has a [campaign Instagram](#) dating back to March 10, 2022. He has 54 posts, is following 32 people and has 795 followers. The posts are the same as the ones on his Twitter and Facebook.

YOUTUBE

Campaign YouTube

Harrigan has a [campaign YouTube](#) that was created on March 8, 2022. He has two videos and 9 subscribers.

LINKEDIN

LinkedIn

Harrigan does not appear to have a LinkedIn.

EMAIL

Campaign Email

According to [his Facebook page](#), his campaign email is: Info@harriganforcongress.com

WEALTH

FINANCIAL DISCLOSURES

FILING HISTORY

Harrigan has yet to file a financial disclosure, in violation of requirements

Harrigan has not yet filed a personal financial disclosure statement. As explained below, Harrigan should have filed by April 17, 2022.

Filing instructions state that candidates who qualify during an election year “must file an FD Statement within 30 days of becoming a candidate or May 15 of that year, whichever is later. For 2022 only, the later filing deadline is May 16, 2022.” (Extensions may be granted, but these extensions “must be received on or before the due date of the report.”)

However, “a qualifying candidate must file no later than 30 days before any election (including primaries) in which the individual is participating. Thus, if you become a candidate on January 5 in an election year and the primary is on April 22, the report is due by March 23 (no later than 30 days before the election).” (If a candidate crosses the threshold within the 30-day period before an election, they must file immediately.)

Pat Harrigan first registered as a candidate (meaning he was no longer testing the waters) on January 24, 2022.¹⁶ He passed the \$5,000 threshold on February 7, when he loaned his campaign \$50,000. This means he was obligated to file (or request an extension) by April 17, i.e. 30 days before the May 17 primary election.

¹⁶ [Statement of Candidacy, Pat Harrigan, FEC.gov, 1/24/2022](#)

POLITICS

CAMPAIGNS

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES NC-14 (2022)

Harrigan was reported to not have lived in the district as of March 2022

In March 2022, Harrigan was reported to have lived in Hickory, which is outside of District 14. The Charlotte Observer reported that “A representative for his campaign said he will soon be moving to the district.”¹⁷

Harrigan’s Republican primary opponent given Charlotte Observer endorsement

In April 2022, Harrigan’s Republican primary opponent Jonathan Simpson was given an endorsement by the Charlotte Observer. Harrigan did not respond to an interview request with the Observer editorial board.¹⁸

Harrigan appeared on Fox News to promote campaign

In May 2022, Harrigan [shared on Twitter](#) his appearance on Fox News in which he promoted his campaign.

Harrigan won Republican party nomination for U.S. House

In May 2022, Harrigan won the Republican nomination for the U.S. House in North Carolina’s 14th Congressional District.¹⁹ Harrigan received 76% of the vote over opponent Jonathan Simpson.²⁰

Harrigan said district had a problem with the former president, not other Republicans

In May 2022, Harrigan said in his speech at the NC Republican Convention that it is “very clear that while this district had a problem with our former president, it did not have a problem with Republicans down the ticket.”²¹

¹⁷ “Gas prices, blaming Biden center of new Republican ad running in Charlotte”, Will Wright, Charlotte Observer, 03/10/2022

¹⁸ “Observer endorsements - for U.S. House primaries”, The Charlotte Observer Editorial Board, The Charlotte Observer, 04/27/2022

¹⁹ “Pat Harrigan wins Republican nomination for U.S. House in North Carolina’s 14th Congressional District.”, Associate Press State Wire, 05/18/2022

²⁰ “Jackson and Harrigan win primaries for Charlotte’s new 14th U.S. House District”, WFAE, 05/17/2022

²¹ “Army veteran bullish on defeating Jeff Jackson in NC14,” Zach Rounceville, Carolina Journal, 5/30/2022

POLITICAL RELATIONSHIPS

NORTH CAROLINA

JACKSON, JEFF

Harrigan said Jackson was far left, disguised his socialist votes

In May 2022 at his victory party, Harrigan said Jackson was extremely far left but was good at disguising his socialist votes to promote government spending:²²

“He has voted very far left, and he is tremendously talented at packaging what he does and distilling it down so it doesn’t seem like it’s socialism. He talks to you like the neighbor next door, saying I’ve got your best interest at heart, but in reality, when you strip away all the simple words, what you find is that his solutions always move toward big government, more government spending, and government is the solution, not the problem. His voting reflects that.”

ENDORSEMENTS

2022

Endorsed by Green Beret PAC

In June 2022, Harrigan was endorsed by the Green Beret PAC, which supports U.S. House and Senate members from the Special Forces community and other veterans.²³

Added to NRCC’s On The Radar List

In June 2022, Harrigan was added to the NRCC’s “On The Radar” list.

²² “Army veteran bullish on defeating Jeff Jackson in NC14”, Zach Rounceville, The Carolina Journal, 07/12/2022

²³ “Green Beret PAC - we choose, among others, one of us - Don Bolduc”, Newstex Blogs, 06/06/2022

PERSONAL POLITICAL ACTIVITY

PERSONAL POLITICAL DONATIONS

Summary

Pat Harrigan contributed \$2,250 to three federal candidates in South Carolina, Arizona, and Nevada, and has made one contribution of \$150 to a North Carolina State House Representative. His wife, Rocky, has contributed \$250 at the federal level to the North Carolina Republican Party, and \$185 on the state and local level to Realtor PACs in Alaska and North Carolina, an Alaskan state house candidate, and the Republican Women of Greater Charlotte.

STATE AND LOCAL

Summary

Harrigan has made one contribution at the state and local level, to NC state representative Hugh Blackwell. His wife, Rocky Harrigan, contributed \$50 to an Alaska state house candidate, \$75 to the Republican Women of Greater Charlotte, \$27.5 to the NC Realtors PAC, and \$42.50 to the Alaska Realtors PAC.

Candidate Committees

Harrigan gave \$150 to Hugh Blackwell, a North Carolina State House Representative. Rocky Harrigan gave \$50 to David Pruhs, an Alaska State House candidate.

Pat Harrigan

Name	Recipient	State	Party	Date	Amount
Pat Harrigan	Hugh Blackwell for NC House	NC	R	7/14/2018	\$150.00

Rocky Harrigan

Name	Recipient	State	Party	Date	Amount
Raquel Harrigan	David Pruhs	AK	R	9/29/2012	\$50.00

PACs

Rocky Harrigan contributed \$135 to state and local PACs in North Carolina and Alaska, including \$42.50 to the Alaska REALTORS PAC and \$75 to the Republican Women of Greater Charlotte.

Rocky Harrigan

Name	Recipient	State	Party	Date	Amount
Raquel Harrigan	Alaska REALTORS PAC	AK	n/a	3/14/2012	\$25.00
Raquel Harrigan	Alaska REALTORS PAC	AK	n/a	3/20/2013	\$17.50
Raquel Harrigan	NC REALTORS PAC	NC	n/a	2/14/2018	\$17.50
Rocky Harrigan	Republican Women of Greater Charlotte	NC	R	4/8/2022	\$75.00

FEDERAL

Candidate Committees

Harrigan gave \$2,250.00 to federal candidates, all Republicans. Rocky Harrigan gave \$250 to the North Carolina Republican Party.

Pat Harrigan

Name	Recipient	State	Party	Date	Amount
Patrick Harrigan	Eli Crane for Congress	AZ	R	12/13/2021	\$1000.00
Patrick Harrigan	Laxalt for Senate	NV	R	12/17/2021	\$1000.00
Patrick Harrigan	Barton for Congress	SC	R	6/3/2022	\$250.00

Rocky Harrigan

Name	Recipient	State	Party	Date	Amount
Rocky Harrigan	North Carolina Republican Party	NC	R	5/20/2022	\$125.00
Rocky Harrigan	North Carolina Republican Party	NC	R	5/20/2022	\$125.00

VOTER FILE

ELECTION PARTICIPATION

Pat Harrigan

According to NC State Board of Elections records, Pat Harrigan last voted on 11/3/2020, indicating that he did not vote for himself in the 2022 primary election.

Currently-verified election participation

Date	Election	Voter	Registered County
11/3/2020	2020 General Election	Pat Harrigan	Catawba County

Rocky Harrigan

Rocky Harrigan last voted on 5/17/2022 in the Republican primary.

Currently-verified election participation

Date	Election	Voter	Registered County
5/17/2022	2022 R. Primary	Rocky Harrigan	Mecklenburg County
11/3/2020	2020 General	Rocky Harrigan	Catawba County
3/3/2020	2020 R. Primary	Rocky Harrigan	Catawba County
11/6/2018	2018 General	Rocky Harrigan	Catawba County

ORGANIZATIONS

OVERVIEW

FOR-PROFIT ORGANIZATIONS

Summary

Harrigan's main gun business includes multiple public-facing corporate entities:

- **ZRODelta**, a gun and gun parts manufacturer.
 - Harrigan's original company was Critical Capabilities, which he formally launched in 2015. His company merged with ZRODelta in 2018.
- **U.S. Optics** (fka Down Range Solutions Group), which ZRODelta (Critical Capabilities) acquired in 2017.
- **UnBrandedAR**, ZRODelta's e-commerce portal.
- **Critical Resources**, the "contractual and distribution arm" of ZRODelta and Modern Munitions Group.
- **PeaceGeek LLC**, another [e-commerce portal](#) that hosts flash sales for factory mistakes and surplus inventories.
- **Unique Solutions Group Inc (dba Modern Munitions Group)**, a ZRODelta collaboration specializing in domestic production of non-standard and special ammunition.
- **Victrix USA LLC**, a corporate entity for the [distribution agreement](#) between ZRDO Delta and Italian manufacturer Victrix Armaments.

Additional corporations with lower profiles (but may still be related to gun sales) include:

- **3X Global Solutions LLC**
- **3X Management LLC**
- **Legion Manufacturing, LLC**
- **Branded by Rocky, LLC**, which [sells jewelry](#) derived from ammunition.
- **Critical Properties LLC**
- **WMSR LLC**, which is a registered FFL dealer.

ZRODELTA (FKA CRITICAL CAPABILITIES)

OVERVIEW

Background

While stationed in Alaska, Harrigan invested \$3,000 in an FFL and some guns. From 2011-2014, he sold guns as a side business – really a “hobby” – and mostly “selling guns to friends and family.” After he was injured in late 2014, he decided to transition to a real business endeavor, moving to North Carolina and running the company out of a double-wide trailer.²⁴ His company, Critical Capabilities, focused on OEM supply-chain management solutions. In January 2018, Critical Capabilities merged with Texas-based ZRODelta and adopted the latter’s name.²⁵

As of 2022, Harrigan claimed that he and his “partners” operated “a 120,000 square foot facility complex.” He said it was the “only facility in the United states where firearms parts, complete firearms, mounting solutions, optics, and ammunition are all manufactured under one roof.”²⁶

Harrigan’s role

Harrigan owns ZRODelta. He was CEO of Critical Capabilities prior to its 2018 merger (with John Miteer taking over as CEO after that).

OPERATIONS

SERVICES

Products

ZRODelta manufactures and sells:

- Handguns
- Rifles
- Firearm Parts
- Mounts & Rings
- Optics
- Apparel

ZRODelta also provides contract manufacturing for outside contractors, and claim to specialize in “high-precision and high-volume manufacturing.” The company also specializes in sourcing components, custom parts, or assemblies, and delivers computer-aided design services. It advertises the ability to reverse engineer or use laser scan technology to produce accurate manufacturing-ready drawings that match an obsolete drawing or missing drawing. ZRODelta claims quality assurance and testing abilities, as well as the capability to serve as the licensee and licensor in various cooperatively developed projects.

²⁴ 2018.12.24 - AR-15 Podcast - Catching Up With Pat & Rocky

²⁵ [“ZRODelta Merges with Critical Capabilities,” Jacki Billings, Recoil, 1/09/2018](#)

²⁶ <https://www.harriganforcongress.com/>

Academy

The company offers a ZRO Academy, which is a “fundamental-based training to both civilian and government clients” of any ability. The company claims that its instructors have served at the highest levels of military special operations, law enforcement SWAT, or are competitive shooting champions. Trainings are conducted onsite at ZRODelta’s headquarters or instructors are deployed to “anywhere in the world to meet the needs of our clients.”

The types of classes offered:

- Doctrine and Organizational Leadership: “Sharpen Your Training Approaches and Change the Culture of Your Unit With COL (Retired) Matt MacNeilly.”
- Precision Rifle: “Aim Small With Courses Taught by PRS and NRL Champion Jake Vibbert.”
- Tactical: “Grow From Good to Professional as Lee Baumgardner Hones Your Mind & Fundamentals.”
- Armorer: “Master the Mechanics with Career Law Enforcement Officers.”

LOCATIONS

Summary

According to ZRODelta’s business profile, the company has been incorporated in North Carolina and Texas. They filed in North Carolina on 11/22/2017 and in Texas in 2/1/2018. As of July 2022, the Texas incorporation is inactive, and North Carolina’s is still active. According to profile compiled by a third-party data aggregator, the company has registered two pieces of real property.

The company’s headquarters facility is located in Burke County, North Carolina. They purchased the 350,000 square-foot building at the end of 2017. Aside from its manufacturing capabilities that include 4x manufacturing bays and 76 acres of standoff, the location also includes a 100m indoor ballistic range, 25m indoor functions range, 100m outdoor range, and a 300m outdoor range lane.

ZRODelta also claims to have a wholly-owned sister company, which has facilities in Texas, Asia, and the Middle East. The company claims to have “trusted manufacturing partners around the world,” with sourcing teams that “travel the globe proficiently importing and exporting defense articles and technology.”

According to profile compiled by a third-party data aggregator, ZRODelta has the following operating locations:

- 100 Beiersdorf Dr. Connelly Springs, NC 28612 (Burke County)
- 470 44th Ave. Dr. NW Hickory, NC 28601 (Catawba County)
- 1509 Zinnia Ct. Fayetteville, NC 27856 (Cumberland County)
- 111 W. Church St. Nashville, NC 27856 (Nash County)
- 521 NE Loop 289 Lubbock, TX 79403 (Lubbock County)

PERFORMANCE

Summary

According to profile compiled by a third-party data aggregator, ZRODelta disclosed \$1,160,000 in annual sales on 6/8/2022.

PERSONNEL

LEADERSHIP AND GOVERNANCE

Leadership

According to profile compiled by a third-party data aggregator, their leadership is as follows:

- Patrick L. Harrigan
 - General Partner (2/2018 – 12/2021)
 - Manager (12/2017 – 12/2021)
- Doug Martin
 - Chief Financial Officer (12/2017 – 12/2021)

Registered Agents

According to profile compiled by a third-party data aggregator, the following people are registered agents at ZRODelta:

- Patrick Harrigan (NC; 11/2017 – 6/2022)
- Doug Martin (NC; 11/2017 – 5/2018)
- Edward F. Garbowski (TX; 2/2018 – 6/2022)

John Birk, Founding Partner

In January 2018, John Birk was listed as “ZRO’s founding partner” in a write up by AmmoLand.com on ZRODelta’s acquisition of War Sport Manufacturing.²⁷

EMPLOYEES (GENERAL)

ZRO Delta planned to bring 151 jobs to Rutherford College over next 5 years

In January 2018 it was reported that the ZRODelta would bring 151 jobs to Rutherford College, North Carolina. The company “expected to reach full employment of 151 [employees] within 5 years”.²⁸

PPP loan data

On a PPP loan given to ZRO Delta, LLC, in 2020, the company reported 23 jobs.

On a PPP loan given to Critical Capabilities LLC in 2020, the company reported 1 job.

Claimed 60 employees as of April 2022

In an April 2022 interview, Rocky Harrigan said that she and her husband “now employ about 60 people in North Carolina.”²⁹ (In another 2022 interview, Pat Harrigan said the company had 65 employees.)

Nonunion

As of June 2020, ZRODelta was a nonunion company.³⁰

²⁷ “ZRODELTA Acquires War Sport Manufacturing”, Duncan Johnson, AmmoLand.com, 01/17/2018

²⁸ “Handgun maker to bring more than 150 jobs to town west of Charlotte,” Ken Elkins, Charlotte business Journal, 1/22/2018

²⁹ 2022.4.17 - The Pageant Buzz - Interview with Rocky Harrigan

³⁰ [OSHA, United States Department of Labor, 6/30/2020](#)

EMPLOYEES REVIEWS

Summary

On Glassdoor.com, ZRODelta received three reviews.

- “Patience is Recommended”: 4 stars. The pros: “Plenty to learn with endless hrs.” The cons: “Not clear on job or description. No leadership.” This reviewer recommended the job, approved of the CEO and the business outlook.³¹
- “OK”: 3 stars. The pros: “Good pay for easy work.” The cons: “Poor management lead to their being not a whole lot of employees.” This reviewer did not recommend the company, did not approve of the CEO or the business outlook.³²
- “Great people and products”: 4 stars. The pros: “One of the best places I have had a privilege to work in my career. Great leadership Awesome environment Knowledgeable management Accessible upper management. Family oriented.” The cons: “Moved the company out of state.”

Note: The third reviewer was from Lubbock, TX, and is apparently referring to the company moving from Lubbock to North Carolina, so it’s likely he or she did not interact with Harrigan.

LABOR (OSHA)

Summary

The United States Department of Labor’s Occupational Safety and Health Administration performed a planned inspection of ZRODelta. The case was opened on June 30th, 2020, and closed on October 14th, 2020. The company’s status was nonunion.³³

Violations

There were six violations found: 1 serious and 5 other. ZRODelta paid a total penalty of \$500. The standards cited for each violation are included, but the exact nature of the violation isn’t available online.

#	Type	Issuance	Abate	Penalty	Standard
01001	Serious	8/6/2020	9/23/2020	\$300	The control of hazardous energy (lockout/tagout).
02001	Other	8/6/2020	9/23/2020	\$200	Recording criteria.
02002	Other	8/6/2020	9/23/2020	\$0	General requirements.
02003A	Other	8/6/2020	8/17/2020	\$0	Portable fire extinguishers.
02003B	Other	8/6/2020	9/1/2020	\$0	Portable fire extinguishers.
02004	Other	8/6/2020	8/10/2020	\$0	Lead.
02005	Other	8/6/2020	9/23/2020	\$0	Hazard Communication.

³¹ [ZRO Delta Glassdoor, Accessed 7/14/2022](#)

³² [ZRO Delta, Glassdoor, Accessed 7/14/2022](#)

³³ Report No: 0453720

ADVERTISING/MARKETING

RIFLES

Summary

ZRODelta offers two types of rifles for sale on the company website: the Venator Precision Rifle and the Ready Series Package.

Venator

The Venator rifle allows you to buy ZRODelta's version or "build your own." ZRODelta outlines eight features of the rifle including adjustable stock and trigger, muzzle brake, receiver set, carbon fiber forward, and fully ambidextrous controls. ZRODelta calls the Venator the "Holy Grail" of the precision AR platform. Some of the marketing language ZRODelta uses is below:

- Adjustable Stock: "Adjustable length of pull and check piece height to fit a variety of body types and shooting styles."
- Match Carrier Group: "JP Enterprises match grade bolt and carrier system mated with a Sun Devil adjustable gas key, providing seamless operation for the widest range of ammunition and under suppressed conditions."
- Muzzle Brake: "ZRODelta muzzle device provides for **rapid follow-up shots** and our 5/8x24 barrel threading ensures compatibility with most common suppressors."

Ready Range LVOA

The Ready Series packages are the second type of rifle sold by ZRODelta. They offer Range Ready Package, Mission Ready Package, Game Ready Package, 17.76 LVOA, and Base Rifle. Some of the marketing language around these rifles and their features used by ZRODelta is below:

- Range Ready LVOA Package
 - "Top Hat muzzle brake reduces recoil and is compatible with our aftermarket Blast Shield that deflects noise and impulse away from the shooter."
 - "Rapid Ballistic Reticle enables shooters to rapidly acquire targets, range, and ballistically compensate drop for all popular 5.56 and 223 ammunition."
- Mission Ready LVOA Package
 - "Proprietary bolt carrier group is precision ported, has a lengthened cam pin slot for improved lockup, an expanded base to enhance stability during recoil, and a clean look."
- Game Ready LVOA Package
 - "An 18" barrel is nitride treated, and is chambered in 6.5 Grendal with a 1/8" twist for maximum durability and accuracy."
 - "Our proprietary bolt carrier group is precision ported, has lengthened cam pin slot for improved lockup, an expanded base to enhance stability during recoil, and a clean, stealthy look. Nitride treatment provides durability exceeding military specifications."

HANDGUNS

The One

ZRODelta only offers one handgun, a "modulr pistol system built around customer freedom" called "The One."

Platform Conversion Unit (Handgun to AR-15)

The gun is advertised on ZRODelta’s website as “The AR-15 meets the most modular handgun.” As [this video](#) explains, this handgun is available as a “modular frame kit” in which the owner can mix and match handgun parts to meet his or her particular style. The foundation of “The One” handgun is the “Universal Fire Control” (UFC) which is the bottom piece, or serialized firearm component of the handgun.

The Platform Conversion Unit (PCU) expands the “modularity” and “functionality” of The One UFC. The UFC can be detached from its pistol components without tools, and added to the PCU to create a rifle with the base of a handgun. The UFC combines with off-the-shelf AR-15 upper receiver groups and buttstock or pistol brace assemblies. As of this video, this is patent pending. ZRODelta also said that they planned to release updated PCU’s incrementally.

The parts of The One handgun can be mixed and matched to the buyer’s wishes, as shown below:



An example of ZRODelta’s Platform Conversion Unit (PCU):



In order to turn the handgun into something like an AR-15, the Universal Fire Control (UFC) – shown below – is married to the Platform Conversion Unit (PCU) – shown above, to create a combined rifle – shown below.



PRESS

Summary

ZRODelta products have been featured in firearm magazines.

Personal Defense World

ZRODelta's Modulus handgun was featured on the cover of the September/October issue of Combat Handguns. They called it "absurdly modular."³⁴



Guns.com

ZRODelta's products were featured in a May 2021 giveaway on guns.com.³⁵



³⁴ @PDWdefense, via Twitter, 6/29/2020

³⁵ @Guns_com, via Twitter, 5/7/2021

Shooting Illustrated

A ZRODelta component was featured in an October 2018 issue of Shooting Illustrated.³⁶



Shooting Illustrated @ShootingIllustr - Oct 26, 2018

Who doesn't love the #Ruger 10/22? Here's one we're working on, with a few upgrades... There's a @McMillanStock A5-22 stock, a Timney Calvin Elite trigger, a @Tacticalsol of X-Ring fluted barrel, a ZRO Delta bipod and other components added to this upgraded #rimfire.



PATENTS

Summary

ZRODelta has 7 total patents registered with the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office since 2019.³⁷ Hannigan is listed as one of four inventors on six of the seven patents.

Title	Document ID	Date Published	Inventor(s)
Mount for a Firearm	US 20220042772 A1	2/10/2022	Timothy Wayne Raley/Aaron McGinty
Pistol	US 20210172702 A1	6/10/2021	Patrick Harrigan/Jonthan Charles Birk/Joel Edwards/Timthy Wayne Raley
Pistol	US 10415919 B1	9/17/2019	Patrick Harrigan/Jonthan Charles Birk/Joel Edwards/Timthy Wayne Raley
Receiver Assembly for Locked Breech Pistol	US 10260828 B2	4/16/2019	Patrick Harrigan/Jonthan Charles Birk/Joel Edwards/Timthy Wayne Raley
Pistol	US 20190107363 A1	4/11/2019	Patrick Harrigan/Jonthan Charles Birk/Joel Edwards/Timthy Wayne Raley
Pistol	US 20190107348 A1	4/11/2019	Patrick Harrigan/Jonthan Charles Birk/Joel Edwards/Timthy Wayne Raley
Pistol	US 20190107349 A1	4/11/2019	Patrick Harrigan/Jonthan Charles Birk/Joel Edwards/Timthy Wayne Raley

³⁶ [@ShootingIllustr, via Twitter, 10/26/2018](#)

³⁷ [Zrodelta, USPTO search, Accessed 7/15/2022](#)

Abstracts

- Mount for a Firearm: A mount for a firearm has a body having a first clamp configured to engage a first edge of the rail, a jaw movably connected to the body and having a second clamp opposed to the first clamp and operable with the respective clamps to engage respective opposed lateral edges of the rail, a spring biasing the jaw toward the body, and at least a portion of the spring being between the clamps. There may be a pushrod connected to a first one of the body and the jaw and slidably received by the other of the body and the jaw. The spring may be laterally positioned to one side of the pushrod. The spring may be a coil spring having a spring axis offset from a pushrod axis defined by the pushrod.
- Pistol: Pistols have a body having a grip, the grip defining a magazine passage, the body having a trigger guard defining a trigger space, the body having an upper surface, the body having a first mounting facility, an upper frame assembly removably connected to the body in a connected position, the upper frame assembly including a trigger element extending into the trigger space when in the connected position, a protrusion extending upward from the upper surface of the body, the protrusion having a forward-facing first bearing surface, and the upper frame assembly having a rear-facing second bearing surface adapted to abut the first bearing surface when in the connected position to transmit recoil forces from the upper frame assembly to the body. The upper frame assembly may have a slide rail. The upper frame assembly may define a horizontal slide plane.
- Pistol: Pistols have a body having a grip, the body having a trigger guard, the body having an upper slide interface surface defining a slide interface plane, the body having a first mounting facility at a forward end below the slide interface plane and at a level above at least a portion of the trigger guard, a dust cover having a rear end having a second mounting facility adapted to removably dock with the first mounting facility in an attached position, the dust cover defining an upper surface in the slide interface plane when the dust cover is in the attached position, and the first mounting facility and second mounting facility comprising a sliding interface. The sliding interface may be a dovetail feature.
- Receiver Assembly for Locked Breech Pistol: The present invention is a semi-automatic pistol receiver assembly comprising multiple removable parts rather than single piece construction normally used in semi-automatic pistols.
- Pistol: Pistols have a body having a grip, the grip defining a magazine passage adapted to receive a magazine, the grip having opposed left and right side walls and a front portion and an opposed rear portion, the front portion of the grip including a first front strap attachment facility, a front strap element having a second front strap attachment facility adapted to removably connect to the first front strap attachment facility, and the front portion of the grip defining a front path and the front strap element being an elongated element movable along the front path, such that the front strap element is removable for replacement by an alternate front strap element. A funnel element may be adapted for connection to the frame at a lower rim of the grip at an installed position.
- Pistol: Pistols have a body having a grip, the grip defining an elongated magazine passage adapted to receive a magazine and defining a magazine axis, the grip having opposed left and right side walls and a front portion and an opposed rear portion, the body having an upper

portion having a first linear interface element aligned with an attachment axis offset from the magazine axis, and a removable backstrap element adapted to overlay the rear portion of the grip and having a second linear interface element adapted to removably connect to the first linear interface element. The pistol frame may include slide rails defining a slide plane, and the first linear interface element may be parallel to the slide plane. The first linear interface element and the second linear interface element may comprise a sliding interface. The sliding interface may be a dovetail feature.

- Pistol: Pistols have a body having a grip, the grip defining a magazine passage, the body having a trigger guard defining a trigger space, the body having an upper surface, the body having a first mounting facility, an upper frame assembly removably connected to the body in a connected position, the upper frame assembly including a trigger element extending into the trigger space when in the connected position, a protrusion extending upward from the upper surface of the body, the protrusion having a forward-facing first bearing surface, and the upper frame assembly having a rear-facing second bearing surface adapted to abut the first bearing surface when in the connected position to transmit recoil forces from the upper frame assembly to the body. The upper frame assembly may have a slide rail. The upper frame assembly may define a horizontal slide plane.

FUNDING

LOANS

Engs Commercial Finance

According to profile compiled by a third-party data aggregator, ZRODelta was a debtor to Engs Commercial Finance Co. from Itasca, IL. The debt was filed on 2/27/2019 and will expire on 2/27/2024.

Methods Machine Tools, Inc.

According to profile compiled by a third-party data aggregator, ZRODelta was a debtor multiple times to Methods Machine Tools, Inc. from Sudbury, MA. All filings used equipment as collateral have been terminated. This information was filed on:

- Filed on 2/27/2021 and terminated on 3/15/2021
- Filed on 8/21/2020 and terminated on 3/15/2021
- Filed on 6/23/2020 and terminated on 3/15/2021

ZRODelta was also a co-debtor with 3X Management, LLC to Methods Machine Tools, Inc. This information was filed on 4/30/2020, amended on 10/6/2021, and terminated on 11/12/2021.

Yamazen, Inc.

According to profile compiled by a third-party data aggregator, ZRODelta was a debtor multiple times to Yamzen, Inc, from Schaumburg, IL. T All filings used equipment as collateral have been terminated. This information was filed on:

- Filed on 9/17/2018 and terminated on 2/12/2019
- Filed on 7/23/2018 and terminated on 2/12/2019
- Filed on 7/2/2018 and terminated on 2/12/2019

GOVERNMENT FUNDING

North Carolina Building Reuse Grant

In December 2017, North Carolina announced a \$500,000 N.C. Building Reuse Grant to renovate ZRODelta's new headquarters and manufacturing facility. The article said the building would be shared "with two other entities that sound like they're related to the parent company, an ammunition company called Modern Munitions Group and Critical Resources, which distributes ZRODelta products."³⁸

PPP loan data

On April 7, 2020, ZRO Delta, LLC was approved for a \$312,800 PPP loan from Amarillo National Bank. The loan would cover payroll for 23 employees. The loan has been forgiven, totaling \$314,581.

On April 10, 2020, Critical Capabilities LLC was approved for a \$20,800 PPP loan from Amarillo National Bank. The loan would cover payroll for 1 employee. The loan has been forgiven, totaling \$20,939.

ACQUISITIONS

WAR SPORT MANUFACTURING

Acquisition of War Sport Manufacturing

In January 2018, ZRODelta announced the acquisition of War Sport Manufacturing, a North Carolina based weapons manufacturer "best known publicly for its LVOA line of AR15 rifles." At the time of the acquisition, ZRODelta was based out of Lubbock, Texas. Harrigan said of the acquisition that the merger would allow them to carry forward the best barrels and expand innovation using their technology and resources:³⁹

"The potential at War Sport is nothing shy of incredible, and we intend to carry forward the promise the company holds after integrating it into ZRO's vision, processes, and organizational controls. We'll be making the finest OEM barrels in the industry and will transition the rest of the equipment into our research and development center. A core tenant of ZRO is to push the boundaries of innovation, and that's exactly what we intend to do. Stay tuned during the next few weeks as we release our first flagship product."

LEGAL HISTORY

DEFENDANT LAWSUITS

Unique Extrusions Incorporated vs. ZRODelta, LLC

In December 2019, Unique Extrusions Inc., a Connecticut-based company that manufactures and sells custom extruded aluminum products, filed a civil complaint against ZRODelta, LLC. Unique Extrusions claimed to have entered into an agreement in which ZRODelta would purchase 5,000 units of certain extruded aluminum product for a total cost of \$9,900. Upon shipment of the parts, Unique Extrusions sent an invoice in May, June and July for the total of \$9,900. Unique Extrusions claimed that ZRODelta

³⁸ "Handgun maker to bring more than 150 jobs to town west of Charlotte", Ken Elkins, Charlotte Business Journal, 01/22/2018

³⁹ "ZRODELTA Acquires War Sport Manufacturing", Duncan Johnson, AmmoLand.com, 01/17/2018

failed to pay for the parts and sought damages in the full amount of the invoice price for the parts, reimbursement for legal fees, costs, and expenses incurred, as well as to hold ZRODelta liable for interest imposed at a 12 percent rate per annum on its unpaid balance.⁴⁰

The original order acknowledgement and amended order acknowledgement stated that ZRODelta (customer) “consents to the jurisdiction of Connecticut courts in any civil action relating to this order.”⁴¹

The case is still open (as of 2019).

TAXES

ZRODelta LLC incurred \$2,961.69 in business personal property penalties in 2019 due to late listing.

[Business Personal Property Bill # 0024033292, Burke County Tax Commissioner, 2019:](#)

Owner Information		Tax Information		Payment Information	
Owner Name	ZRODELTA LLC	Total Original Levy	\$32,578.60	Due Date	09/01/2019
Owner Address	100 BEIERSDOORF DR RUTHERFORD COLLEGE, NC 28871	Cost	\$0.00	Payment Status	✓ Paid
		Interest	\$0.00	Last Payment Date	12/19/2019
		Credits	-\$32,578.60	Last Payment Amount	\$32,578.60
		Total Due	\$0.00	Total Due	\$0.00

Bill Information		Property Information	
Bill Number	0024033292	Property ID	
Bill Type	Property	Description	BUSINESS PERSONAL PROPERTY
Tax Year	2019		
Year For	2019		

Taxing Unit	Type	Original Levy	Current Due
01 BURKE COUNTY	Late List Penalty	\$2,572.97	\$0.00
01 BURKE COUNTY	Tax	\$25,729.69	\$0.00
28 LOVELADY FD	Late List Penalty	\$388.72	\$0.00
28 LOVELADY FD	Tax	\$3,887.22	\$0.00

ZRO Properties LLC (using same address as ZRODelta LLC, despite not appearing related in corporate registration) incurred \$3.84 in business personal property penalties in 2019 due to late listing.

[Business Personal Property Bill # 0024044964, Burke County Tax Commissioner, 2019:](#)

Owner Information		Tax Information		Payment Information	
Owner Name	ZRO PROPERTIES, LLC	Total Original Levy	\$42.31	Due Date	09/01/2019
Owner Address	P O BOX 220 RUTHERFORD COLLEGE, NC 28871	Cost	\$0.00	Payment Status	✓ Paid
		Interest	\$0.00	Last Payment Date	12/19/2019
		Credits	-\$42.31	Last Payment Amount	\$42.31
		Total Due	\$0.00	Total Due	\$0.00

Bill Information		Property Information	
Bill Number	0024044964	Property ID	
Bill Type	Property	Description	BUSINESS PERSONAL PROPERTY
Tax Year	2019		
Year For	2019		

Taxing Unit	Type	Original Levy	Current Due
01 BURKE COUNTY	Late List Penalty	\$3.34	\$0.00
01 BURKE COUNTY	Tax	\$33.42	\$0.00
28 LOVELADY FD	Late List Penalty	\$0.50	\$0.00
28 LOVELADY FD	Tax	\$5.05	\$0.00

CORPORATE REGISTRATION AND STATUS

NORTH CAROLINA

⁴⁰ Case No: CV-20-6027001-S, Filed 12/18/2019

⁴¹ Case No: CV-20-6027001-S, Filed 12/18/2019

Summary

ZRODelta was established and registered in North Carolina at 100 Beiersdorf Dr. Connelly Springs, North Carolina on 11/22/2017.⁴²

TEXAS**Summary**

According to ZRODelta's Lexis business profile, the company was registered in Texas on 2/1/2018 as a branch of the North Carolina company. As of July 2022, this LLC was inactive. According to Open Corporates, the dissolution date was June 24th, 2022, and their status was forfeited existence.⁴³

⁴² Legal Entity: 1338-5636-8457, TIN: 82-3565417

⁴³ [Zrodelta, LLC, Opencorporates, Accessed 7/15/2022](#)

U.S. OPTICS

OVERVIEW

Background

According to Daily Inter Lake, Harrigan purchased U.S. Optics in 2017 and relocated it from southern California to Kalispell, Montana.⁴⁴

The company was previously called Down Range Solutions Group, LLC, established in 2000 and registered in Orange County, California.⁴⁵

Harrigan's role

Harrigan was listed as a member, president, and manager.

CORPORATE REGISTRATION AND STATUS

NORTH CAROLINA

Summary

Down Range Solutions Group, LLC (the registered corporate entity for U.S. Optics) was established and registered in North Carolina at 100 Beiersdorf Dr. Connelly Springs, North Carolina on 5/09/2019.

MONTANA

Summary

This LLC was registered in Montana in June 2017, and this registration is still active.

LOCATIONS

Summary

U.S. Optics includes Burke County, North Carolina as the last operating location listed (along with Flathead, Montana and Orange County, California before that).

FUNDING

GOVERNMENT FUNDING

PPP loan data

On April 7, 2020, Down Range Solutions Group, LLC was approved for a \$109,400 PPP loan from Amarillo National Bank. The loan would cover payroll for 7 employees. The loan has been forgiven, totaling \$110,227.

⁴⁴ "High-end scope assembly company relocates to Kalispell", Peregrine Frissell, Daily Inter Lake, 11/19/2017

⁴⁵ Legal Entity: 0001-5103-1195, TIN: 82-1873080

LICENSES

Summary

U.S. Optics (previously Down Range Solutions Group) has been registered with the U.S. Department of Alcohol Tobacco and Firearms (ATF) as a Federal Firearms-Dealer since at least 2005. According to the business profile, the most recent registration expired in December 2020.

LIENS AND PENALTIES

Summary

According to the business profile, U.S. Optics (along with co-debtors WH Optics Holdings, LLC, and Down Range Solutions Group, LLC) had one county tax lien after Harrigan purchased the company in 2017. It was for \$168.00, however was in a California jurisdiction which seems to indicate that it is from prior to Harrigan purchasing the firm.

CRITICAL RESOURCES, LLC

OVERVIEW

Background

Critical Resources, LLC was incorporated in August 2017 in North Carolina. In a December 2017 Charlotte Business Journal article, it was noted that Critical Resources was “related to the parent company” ZRODelta and potentially distributes ZRODelta products.⁴⁶ Critical Resources was categorized as a management consulting services company.

Harrigan’s role

According to their Lexis business profile, Harrigan is the CEO of Critical Resources, LLC (8/2017 – 12/2021).

Revenue

According to their Lexis business profile, Critical Resources, LLC, had annual sales of \$1,167,000.00, disclosed on 6/8/2022.

LOCATIONS

Summary

Critical Resources, LLC, has two operating locations. Both are in Rocky Mount County, North Carolina. The first, 111 W Church St. Nashville, North Carolina and the second, PO Box 729 Nashville, North Carolina.

EXECUTIVES

Summary

- Patrick Hannigan was listed as the CEO of Critical Resources, starting in August 2017.
- Doug Martin was listed as the CFO of Critical Resources, starting in August 2017.
 - Also listed as CFO was Betsy Flanagan.
- Registered agents were listed as Doug Martin (8/2017 – 6/2020) and Tim Ozment (8/2017 – 6/2022).

⁴⁶ “Handgun maker to bring more than 150 jobs to town west of Charlotte”, Ken Elkins, Charlotte Business Journal, 01/22/2018

UNBRANDEDAR (UAR)

OVERVIEW

Background

UnBrandedAR (UAR) is an online gun parts vendor affiliated with ZRO Delta. Rather than sell branded guns and parts, UAR mass-produces “vanilla” or “mil-spec” AR-15 parts with a focus on wholesale and retail clients.

Harrigan’s role

Harrigan owns UAR.

Revenue

According to a third-party data aggregator’s profile, as of June 2022 UAR had recorded annual sales of \$943,000.00.

OPERATIONS

SERVICES

Summary

UAR advertises and sells various firearms and their parts on a [website](#) that does not mention ZRODelta. They offer the following:

- AR-15 Parts
 - Stripped Lower
 - Complete Lower Receiver Assemblies
 - Billet Receivers
 - Lower Parts Kits & Parts
 - Stocks, Stock Parts, and Grips
 - Forged Upper Receivers
 - Complete Upper Receiver Assemblies
 - Barrels & Gas Parts
 - Bolt Carrier Groups & Parts
 - Charging Handles & Upper Parts
 - Muzzle Devices & Parts
 - Handguns & Rails
- Complete Firearms
 - Carbon Series
 - Forged Series
- Handgun Parts
 - Slides
 - Pistol Barrels
 - Sights
- Accessories
 - Apparel & Swag
 - Lubricants

- Magazines
- Mounts

ISSUES

ABORTION

OTHER ABORTION VOTES

Harrigan described himself as pro-life

In May 2022, Harrigan said in an interview, “I am pro-life.”⁴⁷

OVERTURN OF ROE. V. WADE

Harrigan said Roe v. Wade decisions were politically motivated, should push decision to states

In May 2022, Harrigan said the Roe v. Wade decisions were “based on political motivations, not guiding principles found anywhere in the Constitution. Harrigan said, “I hope the Supreme Court corrects this errant decision and pushes the matter back to the states.”⁴⁸

Harrigan said if Supreme Court overturns Roe v. Wade, people should abide by it

In May 2022, Harrigan said that if the Supreme Court overturns the Roe v. Wade decision, “it should be treated as the law of the land and people should abide by it.”⁴⁹

Harrigan issued statement on Twitter after overturn of Roe v. Wade

In June 2022, Harrigan [issued a statement on Twitter](#) praising the Supreme Court for overturning Roe v. Wade and giving the power to the people of each state to decide what the laws should be. Harrigan also called for no violence in the wake of this decision:

“I applaud the Supreme Court for correction an errant opinion that removed power from the people and gave it to an unelected class. Because there is no one-size-fits-all solution for our most emotional and complex issues, the best approach is to grant the voters of each state an active role in determining what the law should be. As we reflect on what today’s decision means for all of us, this active role should be expressed through peaceful means, not with violence of any kind on either side of the debate. We must return to respectful dialogue, even on the most passionate of issues.”

AFGHANISTAN

WITHDRAWAL

Harrigan published a long Facebook post on Afghanistan and the failure of American leadership

In August 2021, Harrigan posted [a lengthy Facebook post](#) on Afghanistan and the failure of American leadership to address the Afghanistan war. Harrigan started the post by saying he was taught leaders bear responsibility for everything in US Army’s Ranger School, and said that Americans are not seeing leadership and are untrusting of religious, political, and corporate leaders:

⁴⁷ “Who is Pat Harrigan, a Republican candidate for U.S. House District 14?”, The Charlotte Observer, Charlotte Observer, 05/03/2022

⁴⁸ “Who is Pat Harrigan, a Republican candidate for U.S. House District 14?”, The Charlotte Observer, Charlotte Observer, 05/03/2022

⁴⁹ “We asked Charlotte-area, statewide candidates about Roe v. Wade. Here's what they said.”, Avi Bajpai, Danielle Battaglia and Will Wright, The Charlotte Observer, Charlotte Observer, 05/03/2022

Greetings to all of my friends again. I have not posted on FB for a decade, during which time I have lived a lot of life. As such, you can appreciate the gravity of the heart with which this is written and shared. May it be a light to readers and leaders everywhere who can process hard truths on the way to new perspectives and action within any sphere of influence important to the future of our nation.

America and Its Vacation From Leadership

As a young lieutenant in the US Army's Ranger School, I was taught a simple principle that a leader bears responsibility for everything that an organization does or fails to do. This truth is transitive through scale and application, and it applies whether the size of the organization is a family, a classroom, a church body, a Fortune 500 company, a military unit, a political party, or a nation. As America stands at the crossroads of the future and the world burns with severe challenges, the average American has many questions, chief among them being, "where are we, and where is our leadership?"

In the military, one of the most critical tasks in small unit operations is land navigation. A leader must possess great personal control, wisdom, discernment, decisiveness, sense of purpose, and sense of action to move a unit through hostile territory, formidable terrain, and under daunting environmental conditions, all to arrive at the target in an orderly, balanced, and focused way that supports accomplishment of the mission. Should the leader fail any of these requirements, the operation will become a 'yard sale', with men, weapons, and equipment disorganized and strewn about, unable to be brought together to accomplish the mission.

Many Americans look out across America today and see a yard sale. They see the greatest force and potential for good ever created in the history of mankind unfocused and uncoordinated, its individual parts playing different sheets of music that do not sum to one beautiful symphony. They see the fabric of our society slowly dissolving from within the cloth. And why? It is because leadership at all levels of our country has taken a vacation.

In the past twenty years, political leaders have misled us, religious leaders have abused us, corporate leaders have taken advantage of us, bureaucratic leaders have stiff-armed us, and family leaders have left us. Rather than well-oiled machines ready to muster for and accomplish collective tasks, if the truth is told, many Americans are left out in the woods, behind and alone.

Harrigan then said as declining marriage rate, high divorce rates, an ever increasing CEO-employee pay gap, forever wars, and empty promises on healthcare and wars are decreasing trust in our institutions. Harrigan also compared the kneeling of athletes that turn their backs to the flag to the black lives matter protests and the January 6th riots, stating that all people regardless of political aisle commit these sins and are a consequence of this lack of leadership:

What becomes of our young children through a declining marriage rate, and divorce rate of nearly fifty percent after marriage? What becomes of them if they are abused by those they should trust the most at the very places commissioned to provide shelter from the storms of life? What becomes of our employees when their take-home earnings are one tenth of one percent of a CEO's, and it is a question whether or not their jobs will exist next year? What becomes of our military members when they fight protracted wars and are sent into conflict devoid of the task and purpose for which they might die? What becomes of our citizens when portions of our government unjustly weaponize against them? What becomes of our nation when we are told there are WMDs in Iraq, or that we can keep our existing doctors under a new national healthcare plan?

The answer is we lose trust at all levels of society not just in our leaders, but in our time-tested institutions these leaders represent on our behalf that ensure the stability of our world. This trust

is the grease granted by our citizenry in the form of confidence in and deference to our leaders, respect for one another and our institutions, taxes, and the willful adherence to the prevailing rule of law, that keeps the massive wheels of our nation turning and the fabric of our society strong. Without it, we grind to a halt and begin to rust, and the fragility of our society begins to show in the form of failed outcomes.

Just as it should be no surprise that our athletes will continue to kneel for our National Anthem and turn their backs to our flag, that Antifa has run wild in city streets across America, and that January 6th did, in fact, happen—laying plain for those who are still able to see clearly that we are all capable of the same actions and equal in sin towards one another—it should be no surprise that the consequences of our leadership vacation are far more dire than these distractions.

Harrigan said within our borders, the United States had failed to protect individuals through securing the borders, promoting a safe and equitable healthcare system, balancing the budget, provide safe and accurate information, and treating others as the enemy and with no respect. He also said that U.S. intervention in Afghanistan was always close to winning or losing on any given day, and that if they had allowed Special Forces to use their full might, they may not have had to leave empty handed:

Inside our borders, we have failed for thirty years to develop a realistic and secure immigration policy that honors humanity but assures our national security. We have failed to develop a comprehensive healthcare

Harrigan called the withdrawal from Afghanistan criminally incompetent

In March 2022, Harrigan said in a digital ad that the Biden Administration’s withdrawal from Afghanistan was “criminally incompetent” and cited 13 dead American service members from the withdrawal to demonstrate how poorly it went.⁵⁰

CRIME/PUBLIC SAFETY

PUBLIC SAFETY EMPLOYEES

Harrigan said defunding police was not an option, they need to be well-trained and well-supported

In May 2022, Harrigan said in a candidate interview that “defunding the police is not an option” and that police “need to be well-funded, well-trained, and well-supported to be able to do their jobs.”⁵¹

COVID-19

CHINA ACCOUNTABILITY

Harrigan said U.S. needed to hold China accountable for letting virus spread

⁵⁰ “Gas prices, blaming Biden center of new Republican ad running in Charlotte”, Will Wright, Charlotte Observer, 03/10/2022

⁵¹ “Who is Pat Harrigan, a Republican candidate for U.S. House District 14?”, The Charlotte Observer, Charlotte Observer, 05/03/2022

In May 2022, Harrigan said the U.S. needed to “hold China accountable for their role in letting this virus spread out of control” in reference to the COVID-19 pandemic.⁵²

MASKING

Harrigan said mask mandates should no longer exist

In May 2022, in a candidate interview, Harrigan said “mask mandates should no longer exist.”⁵³

PAYCHECK PROTECTION PROGRAM

Harrigan criticized Democratic overspending while receiving \$312,800 PPP loan in April 2020

In June 2022, The American Independent reported that Harrigan received a \$312,800 PPP loan in April 2020, yet he said on his campaign website that Democrats “runaway spending, out of control inflation, crippling energy prices and high taxes are ruining lives” and said he would “fight to curb inflation, cut wasteful spending, decrease taxes, and lower energy prices.”⁵⁴

DISABILITIES

OIL/GAS

Harrigan said there was an opportunity to unite those upset with state of U.S. under Biden

In March 2022, Harrigan said there was an opportunity to unite those upset with gas prices from the left and right side of the political aisle. Harrigan said, “I think there's a tremendous opportunity to unite folks on the left and on the right that are frustrated with the fact that they're going to see \$7 gas three weeks from now, that they can't go to the grocery store and get milk for the same price that they bought it last year.”⁵⁵

ENERGY INDEPENDENCE

Harrigan said it was a security threat to rely on other countries for energy production

In June 2022, Harrigan [said on Twitter](#) that it was a security threat to rely on other countries for energy production and called for energy independence to help produce energy in the U.S. “cleanly, safely, and efficiently.”

ENVIRONMENT

GLOBAL WARMING

Harrigan said federal govt should only respond to climate change if it does not affect the economy

In May 2022, Harrigan said in a candidate interview that the federal government’s response to climate change “should only be undertaken if it has no harmful economic effects on our citizens.”⁵⁶

⁵² “Who is Pat Harrigan, a Republican candidate for U.S. House District 14?”, The Charlotte Observer, Charlotte Observer, 05/03/2022

⁵³ “Who is Pat Harrigan, a Republican candidate for U.S. House District 14?”, The Charlotte Observer, Charlotte Observer, 05/03/2022

⁵⁴ “GOP House candidates criticize federal relief funding they received themselves”, Josh Israel, The American Independent, 06/22/2022

⁵⁵ “Learn about Charlotte ghost kitchens + Gas prices hit record levels”, Kristen Kornbluth, Charlotte Observer, 03/10/2022

⁵⁶ “Who is Pat Harrigan, a Republican candidate for U.S. House District 14?”, The Charlotte Observer, Charlotte Observer, 05/03/2022

GUNS

ASSAULT WEAPONS

Harrigan said that post-Sandy Hook panic over gun regulation led to AR-15 shortages, suggested that created opportunities for his gun business in its first couple years

In a 2018 interview with the AR-15 Podcast on the Firearms Radio Network, Harrigan referenced Sandy Hook, saying the incident.^{57 58}

Pat Harrigan: [00:07:48] We were working out of our house in Alaska. I was stationed up there in in the infantry and up in Fairbanks, Alaska, and was really kind of selling guns to friends and family. You know, I had a real passion of mine then my lifelong goal that, you know, head over to the special operations side. And so, when we moved down to Fort Bragg to start that portion of my life, we got a little bit more serious about it. You know, at that time AR-15s were, I think, kind of in their heyday. You know, Sandy Hook had happened and, you know, there was a shortage. We kind of have gotten past that shortage. And as you know, 2014, 2015 came along, you know, we found ourselves making or providing for the customization of the AR 15 to a level that the area around Fort Bragg had not seen before and available exclusively to to people that I was working with, the, you know, the left and right at Fort Bragg.

In 2022, the Charlotte Observer questioned Harrigan about the statement. He reiterated his argument that gun sales go up after politicized shootings (because of fear that guns will be regulated). He also blamed his opponent, Jeff Jackson, for “planting stories like this.” (The Observer had said that “Jackson’s campaign” pointed the paper to the interview.)⁵⁹

In his statement to the Observer, Harrigan said it is "an unfortunate fact that after a firearms-related tragedy, gun sales go up due in large part to the reckless political dialogue that ensues shortly thereafter which makes law-abiding citizens concerned that their rights to own firearms will be threatened."

"It's my hope that reasonable political leaders, as I plan to be, will lower the temperature on that kind of dialogue and instead focus on solutions that will result in more lives saved and less political opportunism," he continued. "Unfortunately, Jeff Jackson is too busy planting stories like this than defending his policies that are wrecking our economy and causing record inflation."

Asked to respond, Jackson said Harrigan's statement is "an admission ... that he saw and used the Sandy Hook massacre as a business opportunity to sell more assault weapons. Most Americans will find that obscene."

Following the Observer’s report, the DCCC issued a [press release](#) criticizing Harrigan for “say[ing] he personally benefited from increased gun sales after Sandy Hook.”

⁵⁷ “One makes firearms. Both are veterans. How would candidates in NC race address gun violence?”, Will Wright, the Charlotte Observer, 07/06/2022

⁵⁸ 2018.12.24 - AR-15 Podcast - Catching Up With Pat & Rocky

⁵⁹ “One makes firearms. Both are veterans. How would candidates in NC race address gun violence?”, Will Wright, the Charlotte Observer, 07/06/2022

GUN SAFETY

Harrigan said he supported reasonable safeguards to help prevent gun deaths

In July 2022, Harrigan said he supported safeguards to help prevent gun deaths and supported mental health and law enforcement coordination. Harrigan said he supported “better coordination between mental health and law enforcement, more access to juvenile behavioral histories, and other reasonable safeguards that will help prevent these tragedies in the future.”⁶⁰

Harrigan said shared same fears as other parents about sending daughters to school

In July 2022, Harrigan said in a statement in reference to his daughters that he shares “the same fears that every other parent does in terms of keeping them safe at school”.⁶¹

Harrigan open to dialogue on how to stop school shootings, had unique experience in firearm use

In July 2022, Harrigan said he was open to improving safety in this country and was concerned about the risk of firearms falling into the wrong hands:⁶²

“The American scourge of school shootings and mass shootings in other settings must stop, and I'm open to any productive dialogue on how to take steps to improve safety in this country. As a nation, we have to identify how to ensure that firearms do not fall into the wrong hands without infringing on the rights of those who are acting responsibly”.

Harrigan mentioned unique experience in responsible firearm use, strong 2nd Amendment belief

In July 2022, Harrigan said he had “unique experience in how to responsibly use firearms” and that he believes in protecting the Second Amendment and the rights it gives to Americans.⁶³

IMMIGRATION

BORDER FENCE

Harrigan ran on supporting construction of border wall

In May 2022, according to the New York Times, Harrigan ran on a platform similar to national Republican positions, such as “supporting the construction of former President Donald J. Trump’s border wall”.⁶⁴

IMMIGRATION ENFORCEMENT

Harrigan tweeted it was time to secure borders, build wall, blamed Biden for illegal immigration

In April 2022, Harrigan [said on Twitter](#) that it was time to secure the United States’s borders and build the wall, and blamed Biden for decreasing community safety and “incentivizing illegal immigration”.

⁶⁰ “Panthers trade for QB Baker Mayfield + Man arrested after police chase”, KJ Edelman, The Charlotte Observer, 07/06/2022

⁶¹ “One makes firearms. Both are veterans. How would candidates in NC race address gun violence?”, Will Wright, Charlotte Observer, 07/06/2022

⁶² “One makes firearms. Both are veterans. How would candidates in NC race address gun violence?”, Will Wright, Charlotte Observer, 07/06/2022

⁶³ “One makes firearms. Both are veterans. How would candidates in NC race address gun violence?”, Will Wright, Charlotte Observer, 07/06/2022

⁶⁴ “Pat Harrigan, a first-time candidate, captures the Republican nomination in North Carolina’s 14th District.”, Maya King, The New York Times, 05/17/2022

SANCTUARY CITIES

Harrigan said he would outlaw sanctuary cities

In April 2021, Harrigan said in a campaign video [he posted on Twitter](#) that he would outlaw sanctuary cities for illegal immigrants.

RUSSIA

UKRAINE INVASION

Harrigan blamed Biden for Russian invasion of Ukraine

In April 2022, Harrigan [said on Twitter](#) that Biden was to blame for Russia’s invasion of Ukraine due to “the ongoing failures and weakness of President Biden”.

VOTING/ELECTIONS

JANUARY 6TH

Harrigan said he did not support overturning election results of individual states

In May 2022, Harrigan said in a candidate interview that he did not support overturning election results of individual states.⁶⁵

VOTER ID

Harrigan said he supported voter ID and other reforms

In May 2022, Harrigan said in a candidate interview that he supported “voter ID and other reforms that ensure that voting is easier, and cheating is harder.”⁶⁶

⁶⁵ “Who is Pat Harrigan, a Republican candidate for U.S. House District 14?”, The Charlotte Observer, Charlotte Observer, 05/03/2022

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APPENDIX

“WHO IS PAT HARRIGAN, A REPUBLICAN CANDIDATE FOR U.S. HOUSE DISTRICT 14?”, THE CHARLOTTE OBSERVER, 05/03/2022

Political party: Republican
Age as of Nov. 8, 2022: 35
Campaign website: www.harriganforcongress.com
Email: info@harriganforcongress.com
Occupation: Small Business Owner
Education: West Point Military Academy

Have you run for elected office before? (Please list previous offices sought): No

Please list your highlights of civic involvement: Combat veteran, Green Beret

What is your plan for limiting the effects of inflation?

The Biden Administration policies are wrecking an economy that was roaring in years past. Their runaway spending, out of control inflation, crippling energy prices and high taxes are ruining lives right here in Mecklenburg and Gaston Counties. We need a leader who knows what it's like to sign the front of a paycheck; a business owner who employs over 50 people and knows how to stick to a budget. I will fight to curb inflation, cut wasteful spending, decrease taxes, and lower energy prices.

What is the federal government's role in controlling or ending the COVID-19 pandemic?

We need to be reasonable, consistent and smart in how we deal with this pandemic and others in the future. We cannot politicize our international health on either side of the aisle. Mask mandates should no longer exist and schools should remain open. We should encourage healthy living habits and learn lessons from this pandemic. And we need to hold China accountable for their role in letting this virus spread out of control.

What is the federal government's role in combating the effects of climate change?

To the extent that human behavior is contributing to climate change, we should see it as an economic opportunity to grow new jobs in North Carolina through renewable energy sources. However, any response to climate change should only be undertaken if it has no harmful economic effects on our citizens.

What is your plan for reducing violent crime?

We have to partner with and support law enforcement officials. Defunding the police is not an option. Our police need to be well-funded, well-trained, and well-supported to be able to do their jobs. We also need to promote policies that enable young people to have hope no matter their socioeconomic status. We need to crack down on gang violence, human trafficking, and drug dealing that leads to high crime and overcrowded prisons.

What should happen if Roe v. Wade is overturned?

I am pro-life. I've always believed that the Roe and Casey decisions were based on political motivations, not guiding principles that are found anywhere in the Constitution. I hope the Supreme Court corrects this errant decision and pushes the matter back to the states.

Do you trust the integrity of the election process and what, if any, changes would you make to ensure election integrity?

I support voter ID and other reforms that ensure that voting is easier and cheating is harder. I do not support a federal takeover of our election system, nor do I support federal politicians trying to overturn the election results of individual states.