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UT-Austin professors fight SB-11 in federal court; Gun-Free UT to hold post-hearing press conference

AUSTIN, TX -- A lawsuit filed by three University of Texas-Austin professors against Senate Bill 11, known as campus carry, will get its first day in court this week. A hearing on the preliminary injunction will take place at **2:00 pm on Thursday, August 4 at the Federal Courthouse, 501 W. 5th Street.**

Professors Jennifer Lynn Glass, Lisa Moore and Mia Carter are suing to block the implementation of campus carry on the UT-Austin campus before the first day of classes on August 24th.

Gun-Free UT, which supports the plaintiffs in their efforts to keep guns out of classrooms, will hold a **press conference outside the courthouse immediately following the hearing.** Among the topics we will address are:

- The broad support for the goals of the lawsuit within UT and the community at large.
- Negative effects of SB 11 on recruitment and retention of faculty, administrators and students, including the failure to recruit a Nobel Laureate.
- The need for a major research effort to reduce gun violence and promote personal safety without continued proliferation of guns.

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Gun-Free UT is a broad coalition of faculty, students, staff, parents and alumni opposed to allowing guns in campus buildings. Since its founding in August 2015, Gun-Free UT has become a statewide movement, garnering national and international attention. Thousands at UT campuses from El Paso to the Rio Grande Valley to Tyler have joined in the fight to keep concealed firearms out of dorms, classrooms and offices.