Small Wonders Registered Drop In Auto Sears &

Auto Connectors by Captain Monty Mendenhall

times their weight in gold. Recently (February of 1999), an ex-\$2000. Why are they so valuable?

What Is The Difference





DIASs, plus a silencer and two AR-15 semi-outomatic rifles.



OK, I Rend It.

The 7th Court responded to the defen-

Pre-'81 Drop In Auto Sears are now

When Life Hands You A Lemon.



to AR-15 upper receiver take down lan.

readers are familiar with the BATF's ruing that changed the classification of "Street Sweepers" and USAS-12s froshotgams to Destructive Devices (DDs), seeme ways, the BATF's ruling about the is similar to the 7th Court's ruling on po-

After the shotgans we

shongars were DDs, an armesty was d clared. Owners of "Street Sweepens" as USAS-12s were allowed to registore the without change. Mercover, the BATE of not require the Chief Law Enforceme (CLEO) signature on the registration doe

The free, no CLEO, registratis applied to the person who owned when the BATF made the new ruli ter making the ruling, it was unla

USAS-I

HATE, issued the rule. If the BATE dobegin so enferce she 7th Court's pec. 9th Deep In Auto Sear ruling, then logicall the BATE should shio declare an armost (with the CLEO signature waived) in those who acquired their DIASs befor 1981 and who have maintained contin-

The author's personal opinion is that the BATF will do neither. Wayne Daniel stated that he marmfactured and sold 30,000 Deep In Auto Sears before November 1, 1981. Numerous other marmfacturers made and sold them as well. It is unlikely that the BATF wants to 'grandfather

guis.

Jim Jeffries is a highly respected at torney. His specialty is dealing with th BATE. Affries stated, "Monty's interpretation is cerence. The Seventh Creatiful, IN, WT) has ruled (correctly) that the BATI names transed the federal criminal code is administrative interpretation."

illegal."

"Whether the government will ado



reetly between the upper receiver's take down lag and the rear, foreword face of the semi-auto hold.

1981 position has never made any sense Mr. Daniels was very helpful in the

and if I had to guess, I'd guess that it government will begin to prosocute posossion of unregistered auto sears regarless of the possession of an AR-15."

Registered Drop In Auto Scars

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The 7th Court's ruling does the status of Registered Drop Inand registered. Auto Connecto waters need not be concerned.

Wayne Daniels is the fermer owner of SWD Inc., a Class Two murrafacturer. He is probably best known as the murrafacturer of Coloray. MI II machine guss. In addition to making 30,000 pre-'81 Drop In Auto Sears (at an estimated cost of 39 cents each), between 1803 and 1906 be.

tact him have been unsuccessful.

Auto Sears & Drep In Auto Sears

The Drop In Auto Sear operates p

cisely as does the printed-in auto sear or registered receiver M16. The RDIAS is strall device. It has only four parts (it body, the sear, a pin and a spring). This is nothing remarkable about it, except it it attaches to a seem auto AR15 with the necessity of dellina are new before

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A registered Auto Connector (Lightning Link) placed into an AR-15 lower receiver. Note how it is placed over the semi-auto disconnector.



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A Minor Shortcoming

The Auto Connector (often called a Lightning Link) was invented by a firearms

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