

## **Texas Gun dealer sentenced to 6-months for selling weapons to a undocumented immigrant.**

**Police using illegal aliens for sting operations.....  
but won't arrest the illegal alien.**

**Police won't "profile" illegal aliens....but they expect gun deals to do so.**

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**One of the gun dealers of Austin's Gun Show is sentenced to 6-months at a federal work camp for selling a weapon to an undocumented immigrant.**

Independent firearms dealer-Paul Copeland says for years he has commonly sold handguns and antique weapons with no problems and prior to his arrest **the illegal immigrant showed him what appeared to be a valid Texas driver's license.**

In January 2009, the ATF along with the Austin **police department set up a sting operation targeting independent firearms dealers** that were selling weapons to illegal immigrants, both inside the show and outside the Austin's Gun Show's parking lot.

Shortly after the series of arrests, the regularly scheduled weapons-event was asked to move from the North Austin location.

Investigators with the Austin police department believed many of the guns sold to the undocumented immigrants at the show were headed back across the Texas-Mexico border.

**"I guess you need ask them <Latinos> for their documentation too; if the police aren't going to profile why should the common citizen have to" says Copeland.**

He says **none of the undocumented immigrants** that were asked to testify against him **were arrested by federal agents.** Austin's Federal Judge Sam Sparks **sentenced Copeland to spend the next 6-months at a federal work camp followed by 2-years of probation.**