

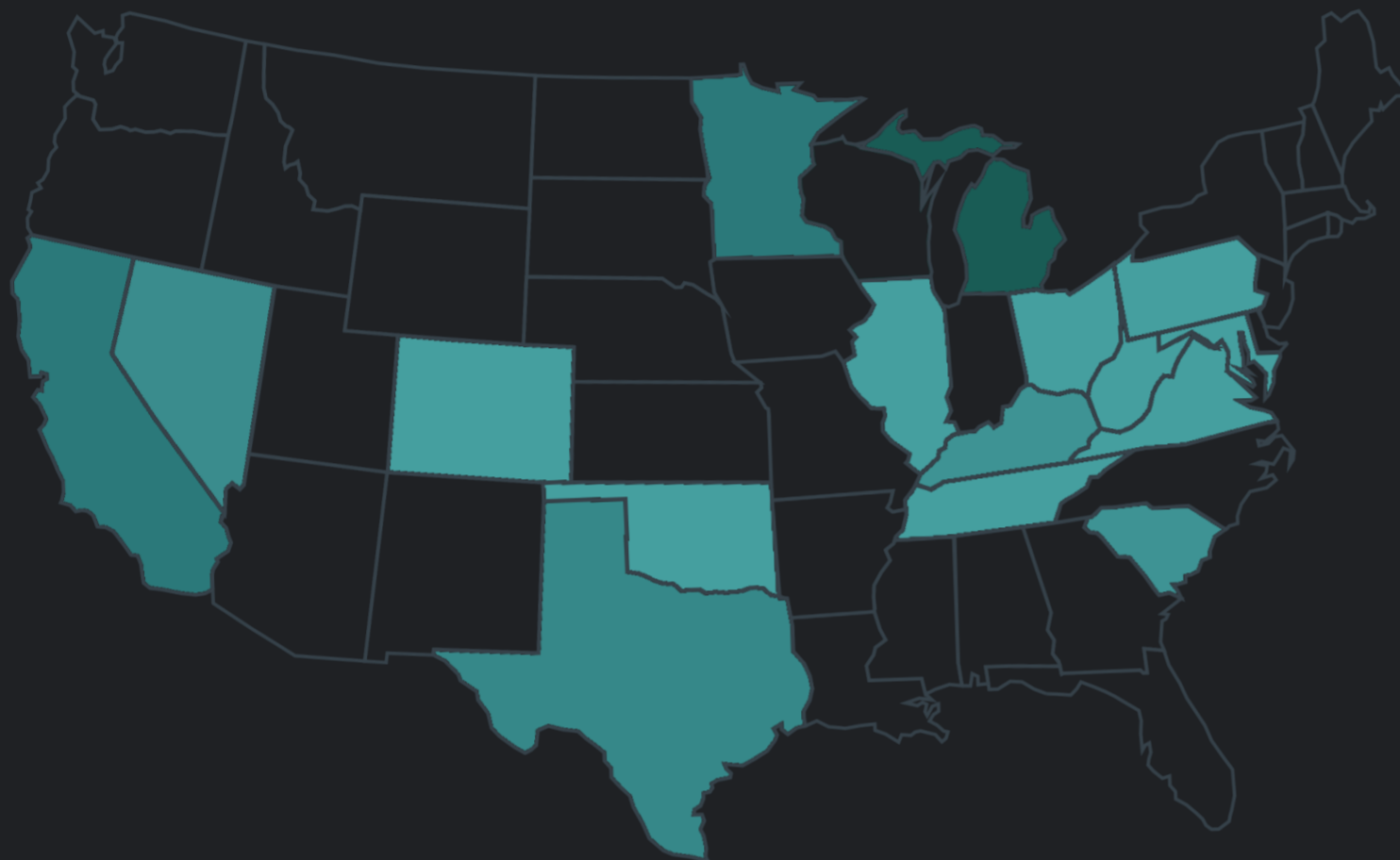
# THE BOOGALOO MOVEMENT

**49** individuals have been charged in the U.S with offenses related to The Boogaloo Movement

**25** individuals have pleaded or were found guilty

## NUMBERS BY STATE

To date, 16 states have had at least one charge within their borders



CA	●●●●●●●●	7
CO	●	1
IL	●	1
KY	●●●●	4
MD	●	1
MI	●●●●●●●●●●●●●●	15
MN	●●●●●	5
NV	●●●	3
OH	●	1
OK	●	1
PA	●	1
SC	●●	2
TN	●	1
TX	●●●●	4
VA	●	1
WV	●	1

**5.9**

years average sentence length

**100%**  
are male

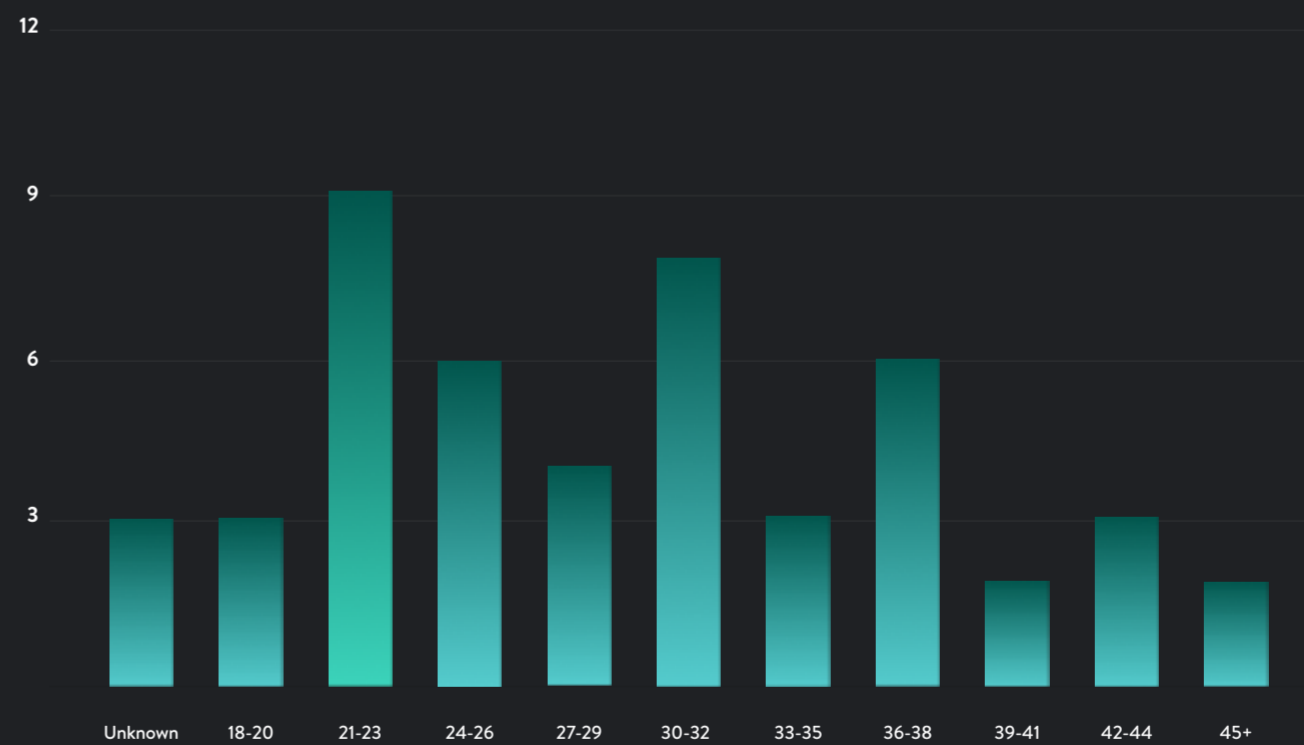
**47%**

were accused of being involved in plots to carry out attacks on U.S. soil.

**52%**

were arrested in an operation involving an informant and/or an undercover agent

## AGE



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# LEGAL PROCEEDINGS FROM MARCH 1 - JUNE 30, 2022

## Michael Robert Solomon

**Date:** March 14, 2022

**Age:** 31

**State:** Minnesota

Michael Robert Solomon, a 31-year-old resident of New Brighton, Minnesota, was sentenced in the District of Minnesota to 36 months incarceration after pleading guilty to conspiring to provide material support and resources to Hamas. Solomon and his co-defendant Benjamin Ryan Teeter, both adherents of the Boogaloo movement, traveled to Minneapolis, Minnesota, in May 2020 following the murder of George Floyd. While in Minneapolis, the pair met with an FBI confidential human source (CHS) whom the pair believed to be a member of Hamas. During this meeting, the pair proposed providing support to Hamas in order to further the goals of the Boogaloo movement. Solomon and Teeter then met with a second individual they believed to be a senior member of Hamas, at which point the pair agreed to manufacture suppressors and firearms for the Palestinian terrorist group. In July 2020, Solomon and Teeter purchased a drill press and used it to manufacture five suppressors, which they delivered to the individuals they believed to be members of Hamas. Both defendants later agreed to manufacture additional suppressors with the belief that they would be used against U.S. and Israeli military personnel overseas. At an August 2020 meeting, the defendants provided the purported Hamas members with a 3D-printed firearms component which would convert semi-automatic rifles into automatic rifles, and agreed to obtain an additional order of these components for Hamas.

**Sources:** DOJ Press Release, Government Sentencing Memorandum, Sentencing Hearing Transcript, Judgment, MPR News

## Danny Jo Thompson II

**Date:** March 16, 2022

**Age:** 30

**State:** Michigan

Danny Jo Thompson II, a 30-year-old resident of Ypsilanti, Michigan, was sentenced in the Eastern District of Michigan to 12 months incarceration after pleading guilty to possessing an illegal machinegun and aiding and abetting a convicted felon's possession of a second illegal machinegun. In pleading, Thompson admitted to purchasing firearms components to allow Eric Allport, a convicted felon and fellow adherent of the Boogaloo movement, to construct an illegal machinegun. Communications between Thompson and Allport, released by the Department of Justice, show their fixation with committing violence against law enforcement officers and their support for the Boogaloo movement. In October 2020, FBI agents attempted to arrest Allport, who engaged in a firefight with the federal agents, shooting and injuring one before being killed. A search of Allport's vehicle nearby following the shooting led to the discovery of Allport's machinegun—which he constructed through Thompson's purchases—as well as hundreds of rounds of ammunition.

**Sources:** DOJ Press Release, Government Sentencing Memorandum, Defense Sentencing Memorandum, Judgment, The Detroit News

## Nathan Bergstrom

**Date:** March 24, 2022

**Age:** 42

**State:** Kentucky

Nathan Bergstrom, a 42-year-old resident of Arizona, was sentenced in the Western District of Kentucky to time served after pleading guilty to unlawful possession of a firearm. According to court records, Bergstrom is a “self-proclaimed Boogaloo Boi” who was initially arrested at a Greyhound Bus Station in Phoenix, Arizona in January 2021. Bergstrom’s initial arrest was based on probable cause that he committed felony misconduct involving weapons, in violation of Arizona criminal code. After being released, Bergstrom failed to appear for his preliminary hearing, and a bench warrant was subsequently issued for his arrest. On March 13, 2021, Bergstrom was identified by the FBI as a participant in an event in Louisville, Kentucky, which was attended by multiple adherents of the Boogaloo movement. During the event, Bergstrom was arrested by law enforcement, who discovered a handgun on his person. A search warrant for Bergstrom’s cell phone also revealed screen shots of a pair of Greyhound bus tickets from New Mexico to Ohio, purchased under aliases, in an attempt to conceal Bergstrom’s identity and flee Arizona to avoid prosecution.

**Sources:** Government Sentencing Memorandum, Defense Sentencing Memorandum, Judgment

## Ivan Harrison Hunter

**Date:** April 7, 2022

**Age:** 28

**State:** Minnesota

Ivan Harrison Hunter, a 28-year-old resident of Boerne, Texas, was sentenced in the District of Minnesota to 52 months incarceration after pleading guilty to one count of rioting. Hunter, an adherent of the Boogaloo movement, traveled from Texas to Minnesota in May 2020 and met up with other Boogaloo movement members who had mobilized to Minneapolis following the murder of George Floyd. On May 28, 2020, during a period of rioting near the Third Precinct Building of the Minneapolis Police Department, Hunter fired 13 rounds from an AK-47 assault rifle into the entryway of the building. Following this criminal conduct, Hunter returned to Texas and continued to communicate with his fellow Boogaloo movement members, including Steven Carrillo – who shot two Protective Services officers at the Ronald V. Dellums Federal Building and U.S. Courthouse in Oakland, California on the same day as Hunter’s actions in Minneapolis.

**Sources:** Government Sentencing Memorandum, Defense Sentencing Memorandum, Judgment, San Antonio Current

## Grizzly Scouts

**Date:** May 11, 2022

**State:** California

Kenny Miksch, Jessie Alexander Rush, and Simon Sage Ybarra were each sentenced in the Northern District of California to 6 months incarceration after pleading guilty to conspiring to destroy records in official proceedings. The three co-defendants are members of the Grizzly Scouts, a Boogaloo-aligned group based in Northern California founded by Rush in March 2020. The co-defendants and other members of the Grizzly Scouts met in person to conduct firearms training and discussed committing acts of violence against law enforcement and government representatives. In May 2020, Grizzly Scouts member Steven Carrillo shot two Federal Protective Services Officers at the Ronald V. Dellums Federal Building and United States Courthouse in Oakland, California, killing one and wounding the other. Carrillo then sent messages to the Grizzly Scouts WhatsApp group, informing them that he “offed a fed.” Rush instructed Carrillo to factory reset his phone and told all members to delete records from the group from their

devices, while members of the Grizzly Scouts took steps to destroy evidence of their communications with Carrillo. The group subsequently migrated communications to alternative messaging platforms in an attempt to continue operations, and federal search warrants of the defendants' residences later uncovered assault-style weapons and stockpiles of ammunition and tactical equipment.

**Sources:** Miksch Defense Sentencing Memorandum, Rush Government Sentencing Memorandum, Rush Defense Sentencing Memorandum, Ybarra Government Sentencing Memorandum, Miksch Judgment, Rush Judgment, Ybarra Judgment

## Steven Carrillo

**Date:** June 3, 2022

**Age:** 34

**State:** California

Steven Carrillo, a 34-year-old resident of Ben Lomond, California, was sentenced in the Northern District of California to 492 months incarceration after pleading guilty to two federal charges stemming from his May 29, 2020, drive-by shooting of two Federal Protective Services Officers at the Ronald V. Dellums Federal Building and United States Courthouse in Oakland, California. Carrillo admitted that the shooting, which killed one officer and seriously wounded a second, was intended to kill the two officers and done in furtherance of his anti-government ideology. Carrillo, an adherent of the Boogaloo movement, had previously joined the Grizzly Scouts, a California-based anti-government militia that supported and encouraged acts of violence against law enforcement. Following the shooting in Oakland, Carrillo fled and is alleged to have engaged in a June 6, 2020, shootout with local law enforcement in Ben Lomond during an investigation into the van used in the drive-by shooting. During this encounter, Carrillo is alleged to have shot and killed a Santa Cruz County Deputy Sheriff and injured additional law enforcement personnel before attempting to flee. Carrillo reportedly used blood to write the phrases "boog" and "I become unreasonable" on the hood of a car before being taken into custody.

**Sources:** DOJ Press Release, Government Sentencing Memorandum, Defense Supplemental Sentencing Memorandum, Judgment

## Benjamin Ryan Teeter

**Date:** June 3, 2022

**Age:** 24

**State:** Minnesota

Benjamin Ryan Teeter, a 24-year-old resident of Hampstead, North Carolina, was sentenced in the District of Minnesota to 48 months incarceration for conspiring to provide material support and resources to Hamas. Teeter and his co-defendant Michael Robert Solomon, both adherents of the Boogaloo movement, traveled to Minneapolis in May 2020 following the murder of George Floyd. While in Minneapolis, the pair met with a confidential human source (CHS) who the pair believed to be a member of Hamas. During this meeting, the pair proposed providing support to Hamas in order to further the goals of the Boogaloo movement. Solomon and Teeter then met with a second individual they believed to be a senior member of Hamas, at which point the pair agreed to manufacture suppressors and firearms for Hamas. In July 2020, Solomon and Teeter purchased a drill press and used it to manufacture five suppressors, which they delivered to the individuals they believed to be members of Hamas. Both defendants later agreed to manufacture additional suppressors with the belief that they would be used against U.S. and Israeli military personnel overseas. At an August 2020 meeting, the defendants provided the purported Hamas members with a 3D-printed firearms component which would convert semi-automatic rifles into automatic rifles, and agreed to obtain an additional order of these components for Hamas.

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