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VIA E-MAIL AND US MAIL

Honorable Kris Mayes
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Dear Attorney General Mayes:

I am writing today to ask you to investigate and take appropriate enforcement action against Kari Lake for potential violations of Arizona law committed under her Twitter handle, @KariLake.

On January 23, 2023, at 3:55pm, the @KariLake account tweeted “ BOMBSHELL DISCOVERY  Today’s Senate Testimony CONFIRMS nearly 40,000 ballots illegally counted (10% of the signatures reviewed). I think all the ‘Election Deniers’ out there deserve an apology.”¹

Embedded in the tweet was a graphic containing images of sixteen voter signatures. The relevant law provides in pertinent part:

Nothing in this section shall preclude public inspection of voter registration records at the office of the county recorder for the purposes prescribed by this section, *except that ... the records containing a voter's signature...shall not be accessible or reproduced by any person other than the voter....*

Ariz. Rev. Stat. § 16-168(F) (emphasis added). The protections afforded by this subsection prohibit posting any information derived from voter registration forms or precinct registers to the internet, and under no circumstance may a person other than the voter or an statutorily

¹ <https://twitter.com/KariLake/status/1617657224851230720?s=20&t=1cE4alpIKYJbQVvCYY3ELQ>. Last visited January 30, 2023.

authorized person reproduce a voter's signature. A violation of this provision is a Class 6 felony.

The tweet and embedded graphic are attached for your reference.

Therefore, the Secretary of State's Office is referring this matter to you for further investigation and possible prosecution for violation of A.R.S. § 16-168 and any other applicable state laws.

Please let me know if there is any additional information that we can provide.

Sincerely,



ADRIAN FONTES
Arizona Secretary of State

Attachments

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