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## Arizona State Senate

September 2, 2025

The Honorable Shawnna Bolick  
Chairman  
1700 W. Washington Street  
Phoenix, AZ 85007

The Honorable Wendy Rogers  
Vice-Chairman  
1700 W. Washington Street  
Phoenix, AZ 85007

Dear Chairman Bolick and Vice-Chairman Rogers:

This letter constitutes a formal ethics complaint against Arizona State Senator Analise Ortiz for behavior unbecoming of an elected official and embarrassing to the entire Arizona Legislature on a state and national stage. As you know, the Senate Ethics Committee is empowered to investigate complaints and charges against members, A.R.S. § 38-519, as well as claims of disorderly behavior, Ariz. Const. art. 4, pt. 2, § 11, violations of Senate Rules, conduct violating the public trust or adversely reflecting upon the Senate, and unethical or unprofessional conduct.

Senator Ortiz's conduct in this matter has warranted an investigation. On August 5, 2025, Libs of TikTok posted a screenshot of Arizona State Senator Analise Ortiz posting an "alert" to the community of "Ice Activity/Near Southwest Elementary/Cross streets 15<sup>th</sup> Ave & Dobbins/August 5<sup>th</sup> 8:09 AM." After Libs of TikTok called attention to Senator Ortiz's "alert" constituting "actively impeding and doxxing ICE," Senator Ortiz did not recant, but rather on August 5, 2025, reposted the Libs of TikTok tweet, stating "Yep. When ICE is around, I will alert my community to stay out of the area, and I'm not fucking scared of you nor Trump's masked goons."

In response to her unethical, unprofessional posts, on August 5, 2025, Arizona State Senator Jake Hoffman pointed out that Senator Ortiz's reckless disclosure of lawful public safety operations was putting the lives of American law enforcement at risk. Again, rather than reconsider the seriousness of her actions as a state official, Senator Ortiz tweeted "Bring it on, Jake. ICE alerts keep people away from the area since these lawless thugs are gleefully disappearing people, including US citizens and lawful residents. You try to spin a false narrative but the people know the real threat to our safety is Trump."

Also on August 5, 2025, Arizona Senate President Warren Petersen sent out a press release, condemning Senator Ortiz's unbecoming remarks and calling for a federal investigation of her potential unlawful actions. In response to Arizona Senate President Warren Petersen's press release, Senator Ortiz tweeted, "I will not be intimidated. I will alert our community to avoid the area when Trump's masked thugs terrorize us all, regardless of citizenship. Trump doesn't respect our laws nor our constitution. My duty is to keep people safe from his unconstitutional and authoritarian actions."

On August 18, 2025, Lib of TikTok tweeted a screenshot showing a post on crowdfunding platform by Arizona State Representative Oscar De Los Santos requesting donations for individuals allegedly identified by ICE for law enforcement action. The post further evidenced donations made to the crowdfunding campaign by State Rep. De Los Santos and State Senator Ortiz.

Notably, the actions of U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) are well within its legal authority and duty to U.S. citizens in Arizona and the nation: ICE is primarily charged with enforcing federal immigration and customs laws. This includes identifying, arresting, and removing individuals who are unlawfully present in the United States, as well as investigating and disrupting transnational criminal organizations that exploit immigration laws. ICE also manages the immigration detention system and works to ensure the integrity of the immigration system.

By undermining ICE in carrying out its duties under the duly enacted laws of the United States, Senator Ortiz is openly and brazenly advocating for lawlessness, even at the potential cost of violence against those charged with the solemn and already often dangerous duty of enforcing our nation's laws.

Regrettably, Senator Ortiz has a history of disorderly, inappropriate, and disruptive behavior unbecoming of an elected official and embarrassing to our Legislature and state. For this reason, this is not the first formal ethics complaint against Senator Ortiz.

Since the matter of what constitutes disorderly behavior is a non-justiciable political question, there are no legal authorities that discuss the original public meaning of the term under the Arizona Constitution. However, the 1910 version of Black's Law Dictionary, published the same year of the Arizona Constitutional Convention, indicates that our Framers would have understood the term as including the behavior which:

- i. is contrary to the rules of good order and decorum,
- ii. scandalizes the community and is offensive to the public sense of morality, or

iii. is contrary to law. *See* Disorderly, BLACK'S LAW DICTIONARY (2d. ed. 1910)

Senator Ortiz's conduct was all three. Senator Ortiz blatantly and unapologetically has advocated for lawlessness. She has consistently aligned herself with those who knowingly and willingly break our nation's duly enacted laws. In doing so, she has urged evasion of those charged with upholding our nation's laws. The consequence of her actions is not only evasion of the law, but potential danger posed to officers of the law. This is unacceptable behavior for an elected official who similarly has sworn an oath to the U.S. and Arizona constitutions and is charged with upholding the duly enacted laws of our state and nation.

Senator Ortiz engaged in disorderly behavior which demonstrates a blatant hostility to the duly enacted laws of our state and nation, and a flippant disregard for officers of the law. Her lawless behavior has reflected poorly on the Arizona Legislature, its members and employees, her constituents, and all Arizonans. The people of Arizona demand that elected officials who swear an oath to our Constitution uphold the duly enacted laws of this state and nation, rather than act as if they are an elite class for whom the laws do not apply.

Although Senator Ortiz continues to feign moral superiority in this matter, it should be noted that it is she who is out of touch with reality. All nations of the world have immigration laws, and most enforce them with vigilance. This is for good reason. After all, nations owe their citizens order, and when it comes to immigration, an accurate accounting of who is present in the nation and the reason(s) for which they are present is paramount to good order and the safety of citizens. The enforcement of duly enacted immigration laws is therefore basic to governing and those who find themselves oppositional to the basic premise that foreigners should not be able to violate the laws of a nation with impunity are unfit to make laws for everyone else.

We urge the Ethics Committee to thoroughly investigate this matter and take appropriate action to ensure that such conduct stops and is not imitated by other members of the Legislature. Please investigate this complaint and hold Senator Ortiz accountable for all violations of the law or the Senate Rules.

We recommend the following actions:

1) Expulsion

- 1) It is our belief that Senator Ortiz' acts are an egregious violation of both the Arizona Constitution and the Oath of Office she took, and therefore expulsion is indisputably warranted.
- 2) Members of these two respected Chambers have historically been expelled for far less egregious conduct.

2) If the votes do not exist for expulsion, it is our belief that anything less than the most severe punishment under the rules and precedent is inadequate. These punishments should include, but not be limited to:

- 1) Removal from all committees
- 2) Loss of office
- 3) Loss of parking spot
- 4) Loss of administrative staff support
- 5) Loss of unrestricted keycard access to the building

It is our belief that these actions in response to Senator Ortiz' behavior are the bare minimum of the punishment she should receive.

Thank you for your attention to this important matter.

Sincerely,

Jake Hoffman  
Senator | State of Arizona



Warren Petersen  
Senate President | State of Arizona



John Kavanagh  
Majority Leader | State of Arizona



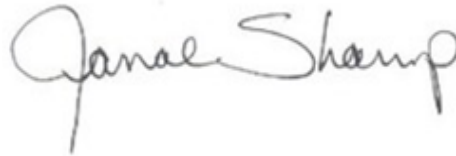
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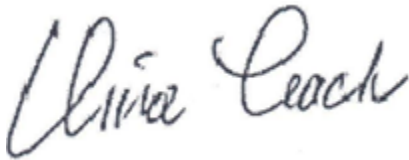
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