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FREE SPEECH UNDER ATTACK BY

PIMA COUNTY, ARIZONA BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

TUCSON, AZ – The Pima County Board of Supervisors attempted to limit free speech for conservative District 1 board member Supervisor Ally Miller.

Supervisor Miller posted from her personal page on a Saturday night and Democrat Board members, Sharon Bronson, Richard Elias and Ramon Valadez decided to have Miller investigated and attempted to censure Miller for exercising her First Amendment rights from her personal face book account.

The comment was in response to the Charlottesville violence. Miller posted from her personal facebook account, in response to a personal friend's post related to the immediate attacks on President Donald Trump and his white supporters for the violence that occurred. Her post was as follows:

"I'm sick and tired of being hit for being white....It is all about making us feel like we need to apologize. I am WHITE-and proud of it! No apologies necessary."

The local media ran wild with the allegations that Miller was a white supremacist, racist and Nazi. Vile and profanity filled facebook posts and emails were directed at Miller.

Board Chair Sharon Bronson ordered an investigation into Miller's conduct and there were demands calling for Miller to resign. Bronson also directed Democrat County Attorney Barbara LaWall's office to explore legal remedies against Miller.

Miller stated, "This was nothing more than a political witch hunt from the Democrat Board majority and the local media because I am a supporter of President Donald Trump." Miller went on to say, "It is not surprising that this board and a majority of local media supporting the Democratic board wish to silence my rights to free speech or any opinions they disagree with."

Miller insisted the County Attorney's legal opinions be released to the public today. Content from those opinions clearly indicates that Miller has been completely vindicated for any wrongdoing after two weeks of nonstop coverage from local newspapers, television stations and bloggers. Miller was elected in 2012 as an outsider to the GOP establishment and is well known for her efforts to expose corruption and crony deals in Pima County.

Attachments: Waived privileged attorney-client documents (3)