

APRIL 12, 2016

Eastern District of Louisiana

On April 12, 2016, U.S. Attorney Kenneth Allen Polite Jr. delivered remarks at a “Muslims for Peace” event hosted by the Ahmadiyya Muslim Center at Loyola University.

APRIL 13, 2016

Southern District of California

On April 13, 2016, U.S. Attorney Laura Duffy, in collaboration with District Attorney Bonnie Dumanis, San Diego Police Chief Shelley Zimmerman, San Diego County Sheriff William Gore and other local law enforcement leaders, will hold a listening session with local Muslim students on the campus of San Diego State University. The event will be held in the SDSU Student Union at 4:30 p.m. and will be open to the press.

Eastern District of Michigan

On April 13, 2016, U.S. Attorney Barbara McQuade will convene a dialogue of local law enforcement officials and interfaith student leaders on the campus of the University of Michigan to discuss acts of violence motivated by race, ethnicity, religion, national origin, sexual orientation, and disability, the importance of free speech in the marketplace of ideas, and the consequences of divisive attacks against values of inclusion. This event follows recent graffiti on campus stating "Stop Islam." Press briefing at 5:15 pm is open to the press. Location: Jeffries Lounge, South Hall, University of Michigan Law School, 701 S. State Street, Ann Arbor, Michigan. Press contact Gina Balaya 313-226-9758.

District of Minnesota

On April 13, 2016, U.S. Attorney Andrew M. Luger held an event to highlight the issues of Islamophobia and hate speech in Minnesota. The event took place from 8:00 to 10:00 a.m. at Dorsey & Whitney, 50 South 6th Street, Suite 1500, Minneapolis, MN. Speakers included Vice President Walter Mondale, U.S. District Court Chief Judge John Tunheim, U.S. Attorney Andrew Luger, North American Somali Bar Association - MN Vice Chair Amran Farah. Speakers will be followed by a panel discussion with Minnesotans who have recently experienced hate speech and Islamophobia in public spaces. Esme Murphy, reporter and Sunday morning anchor for WCCO, will moderate the panel. Was open to press.

APRIL 14, 2016

Eastern District of California

On April 14, 2016, U.S. Attorney Ben Wagner will hold a round table event in his office at 10 a.m. The event will bring together about a dozen or so leaders in the greater Sacramento area, split between Muslim community leaders and senior law enforcement, to discuss community concerns over bias incidents and hate crimes, the need for reporting by victims of those incidents, and the need to build solid relationships between the community and law enforcement.

The group will also discuss how law enforcement can assist in building resilient communities that can resist radicalization to violence. Press is invited to talk with participants at the end of the meeting, but the meeting is closed to reporters.

District of Idaho:

On April 14, 2016, U.S. Attorney Wendy Olson and others from her office will meet with Muslim, Arab and other international students at Idaho State University in Pocatello to discuss federal civil rights laws. There will be a press event prior to the meeting, to which we have invited leadership from the local mosque. Earlier in the month, on the ISU campus, someone put anti-Muslim and anti-religious DVDs on various cars.

APRIL 15, 2016

District of Massachusetts

On April 15, 2016, U.S. Attorney Carmen Ortiz will join members of the Muslim community, leaders from other communities and local, state and federal government officials responsible for enforcing civil rights laws to express support for each other during this time of increasing apprehensions, to share community concerns related to this culture and to discuss potential resources that can provide security and legal options to those impacted by it. 6:30 p.m. to 9 p.m., 126 Boston Post Road, Wayland, MA. Open to press.

District of Minnesota

On Friday, April 15, 2016, U.S. Attorney Andrew Lugar will participate in an interfaith, intercultural event a being held by the Somali American Taskforce & Temple Israel. The event is designed to create connections, build relationships and enhance discussion about religion and culture in a fun, informative and uplifting way. The event is being held at Temple Israel, 2324 Emerson Ave South, Minneapolis, MN 55405 from 5:30-7:00 p.m.

District of Utah

On April 15, 2016, U.S. Attorney John Huber and the Salt Lake City Police Chief will visit Utah's largest mosque.

Eastern District of California

On April 14, 2016, U.S. Attorney Ben Wagner will visit the Masjid Umar Farooq mosque, in Stockton, California, and will hold a town hall-style discussion with the congregation between 2 and 3 pm, relating to hate crimes and building community resilience. The meeting is not open to the press.

APRIL 16, 2016

District of Colorado

On April 16, 2016, U.S. Attorney John Walsh will speak at an event with local Muslim leaders called “Understanding Islam in Modern Society” hosted by a local non-profit Calico Culture. The event is aimed towards those who find themselves caught between compassion and fear regarding the refugee crisis and extremism in the Middle East. Our hope is to combat the negative rhetoric that is prolific in society today regarding the Muslim community through understanding & education. The event will include several brief TED talk style presentations by Qusair Mohamedbhai, J.D.; Iman Abdur Rahim Ali of the Northeast Denver Islamic Center and U.S. Attorney Walsh. The event will be held at 1400 Williams Street, Denver, from 12 - 2:30 p.m. Open to the press.

APRIL 19, 2016

Southern District of Ohio

On April 19 or 20, 2016, Acting U.S. Attorney Benjamin C. Glassman plans to meet with members of the board of directors at the Islamic Center of Greater Cincinnati and to tour the center.

APRIL 20, 2016

District of Connecticut

On April 20, 2016, U.S. Attorney Deirdre Daly will launch a Multi-Cultural Advisory Council at the U.S. Attorney’s Office in New Haven from 3-4:30 pm. The Council, which will include Muslim and Sikh community leaders and members of the United States Attorney’s Office and the local FBI, is convening to discuss issues of concern to AMS communities. The meeting will involve a presentation about federal civil rights laws and small group discussions between community members, the U.S. Attorney, civil rights prosecutors and outreach staff. Following the launch, Council members will meet with USAO staff on a regularly scheduled basis to discuss programming and other needs.

MAY 6, 2016

District of Connecticut

On May 6, 2016, U.S. Attorney Deirdre Daly will make “Protecting Houses of Worship” remarks at a newly built mosque in Waterbury, Connecticut, before meeting with congregation leaders, and taking a tour of the new facilities.