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## **Michael Muscato Statement Regarding Lesko**

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My heart breaks for my opponent, Congresswoman Lesko and all other victims of domestic violence. Their stories are further evidence of why we need to support legislation that helps protect, prevent, and care for victims of domestic violence.

In light of the Arizona Republic [article](#) regarding my opponent Congresswoman Lesko and her professional background, the voters of Arizona's 8<sup>th</sup> Congressional District deserve answers to the following questions below:

- 1) What government documents did she tamper with?
- 2) Why did she flee the state of Texas and the warrant, which was outstanding for six years? Were aliases used because of this and prior to her small business?
- 3) Was she the co-owner of the business she has claimed to own or was she not?
  - a. If she wasn't then why did she claim to be a former small business owner and use it to launch her political career
  - b. If she was, does she not take personal responsibility for the fraud, the aliases, the debts, and lawsuits as a co-owner?
- 4) Did she disclose this to the Republican Party
- 5) Did she disclose this to Congress?
- 6) The website she referenced in the article was created 9hrs prior to the release of that story. When did she know reporters were covering this? Why was none of this disclosed publicly previously?

Representative Lesko has been an elected official for more than a decade in Arizona, sits on several high profile federal committees including the House Judiciary Committee, Homeland Security, and hand selected member of the impeachment team. She has access to sensitive documents relevant to our state and national security. We need to know who other than the voters were not aware of this? Everything from the article is public record.

Why is a story, that involves our national security, coming out at 10pm on a Friday night after 12 years? Why did the article publicize a dark time in Ms. Lesko's life rather than provide us with answers to the questions relevant to her position in our federal government?

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