Date: Friday, May 8, 2020To: Office of Attorney RegulationFrom: Alan Franklin, ProgressNow ColoradoRe: Egregious misconduct of inactive Colorado attorney Ken Buck

To Whom It May Concern:

U.S. Rep. Ken Buck is a licensed attorney in the State of Colorado, currently designated "inactive." Mr. Buck is also the current chair of the Colorado Republican Party. It was in that role that Mr. Buck engaged in egregious misconduct that warrants the surrender of his license to practice law in this state.

<u>The Denver Post</u> obtained audio recording of Mr. Buck in these acts and did further reporting demonstrating that he used his office to attempt to suborn perjury:

Colorado Republican Party Chair Ken Buck, a U.S. representative from Windsor, pressured a local party official to submit incorrect election results to set the primary ballot for a state Senate seat, according to an audio recording of a conference call obtained by The Denver Post.

Mr. Buck's efforts to induce a Party volunteer to submit a false affidavit to the Colorado Secretary of State were in violation of Colorado law, as ruled upon by District Court Chief Judge Michael Martinez in this case. ("[Any] Certificate of Designation of Candidacy including Dave Stiver as a candidate clearly violates C.R.S. § 1-4-601(2)(a)" [Case #2020CV31415, Schneider v. Griswold, 05/04/20; p. 10]).

The "Certificate of Designation" required to be filed with the Secretary of State (C.R.S. § 1-4-603(c)) includes on it a solemn affirmation affidavit (see, C.R.S. § 24-12-102). Mr. Buck's intervention would have induced his Party volunteer to commit first degree perjury (C.R.S. § 24-12-106). This also constitutes an attempt by Mr. Buck to instigate and suborn "corrupt conduct" under section 1-13-107 of the Colorado Election Code, a criminal offense under section 1-13-111 of the Election Code.

I therefore request that Attorney Regulation Counsel review the public facts and immediately consider initiating disciplinary proceedings directed to Mr. Buck's license to practice law in the State of Colorado.

Sincerely,

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