

**From:** J.Martin <J.Martin@amsterdamandpartners.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, January 16, 2018 3:56 PM  
**To:** jmesnard@azleg.gov  
**Subject:** Gulen Network of Schools

Dear Speaker Mesnard,

My name is John Martin, and I am an attorney with the law firm Amsterdam & Partners LLP. I wanted to reach out to you regarding recent troubling discoveries in Arizona Charter Schools.

In Arizona, there are a network of charter schools where there have been serious allegations of, or highly suspected activities of financial mismanagement, suspected fraud, apparent self-dealing, discrimination, and unusual immigration/visa practices.

We represent the Republic of Turkey regarding an investigation of an exiled imam named Fetullah Gulen, who resides in Pennsylvania and surreptitiously oversees a nationwide network of nearly 200 charter schools. Amsterdam & Partners LLP has spent more than two years thoroughly researching and gathering information about these schools from public sources and former employees, parents and students in Arizona. We just released the findings in a book titled, *Empire of Deceit: An Investigation of the Gulen Charter School Network* [www.empireofdeceit.com](http://www.empireofdeceit.com).

**Key Charter School Network Findings:**

- Misuse of taxpayer funds totaling at least \$243 million.
- More than 6,504 H-1B visas to import unqualified Turkish teachers at a public cost of as much as \$26 million and lost jobs for American teachers.
- Nearly 81,000 students enrolled at Gülen schools across 27 states and the District of Columbia.
- Widespread manipulation of state mandated testing, grades and attendance figures.

Arizona has 7 schools (Sonoran Science Academy & Paragon Science Academy) with 2,292 number of students with a total of \$18,983,866 in revenue with 358 H-1B Employees.

Please see the Arizona-specific fact sheet [HERE](#), and the Arizona Chapter [HERE](#).

I would also encourage you to view portions of Mark Hall's documentary, *Killing Ed*, located on the website. Mr. Hall, independently from Amsterdam & Partners, has been actively researching and filming these same issues since 2011.

We are continuing to do work in Arizona on these Gulen Schools and want to ensure you're fully aware and you and your staff have the opportunity to be briefed on this issue.

**MEETING REQUEST:** Would you be available for a call and/or in person meeting to discuss this pressing issue further? We can make ourselves available whenever your schedule permits.

We also welcome any questions. Thank you for your attention to this critical matter.

Sincerely,

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**From:** J.Martin <J.Martin@amsterdamandpartners.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, January 16, 2018 3:26 PM  
**To:** jeremy.gillam@arkansashouse.org  
**Subject:** Gulen Charter School Network

Dear Speaker Gillam,

My name is John Martin, and I am an attorney with the law firm Amsterdam & Partners LLP. I wanted to reach out to you regarding recent troubling discoveries in Arkansas Charter Schools.

In Arkansas, there are a network of charter schools where there have been serious allegations of, or highly suspected activities of financial mismanagement, suspected fraud, apparent self-dealing, discrimination, and unusual immigration/visa practices.

We represent the Republic of Turkey regarding an investigation of an exiled imam named Fetullah Gulen, who resides in Pennsylvania and surreptitiously oversees a nationwide network of nearly 200 charter schools. Amsterdam & Partners LLP has spent more than two years thoroughly researching and gathering information about these schools from public sources and former employees, parents and students in Arkansas. We just released the findings in a book titled, *Empire of Deceit: An Investigation of the Gulen Charter School Network* [www.empireofdeceit.com](http://www.empireofdeceit.com).

**Key Charter School Network Findings:**

- Misuse of taxpayer funds totaling at least \$243 million.
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- Nearly 81,000 students enrolled at Gulen schools across 27 states and the District of Columbia.
- Widespread manipulation of state mandated testing, grades and attendance figures.

Arkansas has 6 schools (LISA Academy West, LISA Academy North) with 1,525 students with a total of \$12,518,590 in revenue with 179 H-1B employees.

Please see the Arkansas specific fact sheet [HERE](#), and the Arkansas Chapter [HERE](#).

I would also encourage you to view portions of Mark Hall's documentary, *Killing Ed*, located on the website. Mr. Hall, independently from Amsterdam & Partners, has been actively researching and filming these same issues since 2011.

We are continuing to do work in Arkansas on these Gulen Schools and want to ensure you're fully aware and you and your staff have the opportunity to be briefed on this issue.

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**To:** attorneygeneral@doj.ca.gov  
**Subject:** Gulen Network of Schools

Dear Attorney General Becerra,

My name is John Martin, and I am an attorney with the law firm Amsterdam & Partners LLP. I wanted to reach out to you regarding recent troubling discoveries in California Charter Schools.

In California, there are a network of charter schools where there have been serious allegations of, or highly suspected activities of financial mismanagement, suspected fraud, apparent self-dealing, discrimination, and unusual immigration/visa practices.

We represent the Republic of Turkey regarding an investigation of an exiled imam named Fetullah Gulen, who resides in Pennsylvania and surreptitiously oversees a nationwide network of nearly 200 charter schools. Amsterdam & Partners LLP has spent more than two years thoroughly researching and gathering information about these schools from public sources and former employees, parents and students in California. We just released the findings in a book titled, *Empire of Deceit: An Investigation of the Gulen Charter School Network* [www.empireofdeceit.com](http://www.empireofdeceit.com).

**Key Charter School Network Findings:**

- Misuse of taxpayer funds totaling at least \$243 million.
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- Widespread manipulation of state mandated testing, grades and attendance figures.

California has 11 schools (Magnolia Science Academy & Bay Area Science Academy) with 3,714 number of students with a total of \$50,708,614 in revenue with 457 H-1B employees.

Please see the California specific fact sheet [HERE](#), and the California Chapter [HERE](#).

I would also encourage you to view portions of Mark Hall's documentary, *Killing Ed*, located on the website. Mr. Hall, independently from Amsterdam & Partners, has been actively researching and filming these same issues since 2011.

We are continuing to do work in California on these Gulen Schools and want to ensure you're fully aware and you and your staff have the opportunity to be briefed on this issue.

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**Subject:** Gulen Network of Schools

Dear Speaker Duran,

My name is John Martin, and I am an attorney with the law firm Amsterdam & Partners LLP. I wanted to reach out to you regarding recent troubling discoveries in Colorado Charter Schools.

In Colorado, there are a network of charter schools where there have been serious allegations of, or highly suspected activities of financial mismanagement, suspected fraud, apparent self-dealing, discrimination, and unusual immigration/visa practices.

We represent the Republic of Turkey regarding an investigation of an exiled imam named Fetullah Gulen, who resides in Pennsylvania and surreptitiously oversees a nationwide network of nearly 200 charter schools. Amsterdam & Partners LLP has spent more than two years thoroughly researching and gathering information about these schools from public sources and former employees, parents and students in Colorado. We just released the findings in a book titled, *Empire of Deceit: An Investigation of the Gulen Charter School Network* [www.empireofdeceit.com](http://www.empireofdeceit.com).

**Key Charter School Network Findings:**

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- Widespread manipulation of state mandated testing, grades and attendance figures.

Colorado has 1 school (Lotus School of Excellence) with 839 students with a total of \$7,600,000 in revenue with 54 H-1B employees.

Please see the Colorado specific fact sheet [HERE](#), and the Colorado Chapter [HERE](#).

I would also encourage you to view portions of Mark Hall's documentary, *Killing Ed*, located on the website. Mr. Hall, independently from Amsterdam & Partners, has been actively researching and filming these same issues since 2011.

We are continuing to do work in Colorado on these Gulen Schools and want to ensure you're fully aware and you and your staff have the opportunity to be briefed on this issue.

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**From:** J.Martin <J.Martin@amsterdampartners.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, January 16, 2018 6:04 PM  
**To:** jeff.dewitt@dc.gov  
**Subject:** Gulen Network of Schools

Dear Mr. Dewitt,

My name is John Martin, and I am an attorney with the law firm Amsterdam & Partners LLP. I wanted to reach out to you regarding recent troubling discoveries in District of Columbia Charter Schools.

In the District of Columbia, there are a network of charter schools where there have been serious allegations of, or highly suspected activities of financial mismanagement, suspected fraud, apparent self-dealing, discrimination, and unusual immigration/visa practices.

We represent the Republic of Turkey regarding an investigation of an exiled imam named Fetullah Gulen, who resides in Pennsylvania and surreptitiously oversees a nationwide network of nearly 200 charter schools. Amsterdam & Partners LLP has spent more than two years thoroughly researching and gathering information about these schools from public sources and former employees, parents and students in the District of Columbia. We just released the findings in a book titled, *Empire of Deceit: An Investigation of the Gulen Charter School Network* [www.empireofdeceit.com](http://www.empireofdeceit.com)

**Key Charter School Network Findings:**

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The District of Columbia has 1 school (Harmony School of Excellence) with 105 students with a total of \$2,089,693 in revenue with 1 H-1B employee.

Please see the District of Columbia specific fact sheet [HERE](#), and the District of Columbia Chapter [HERE](#).

I would also encourage you to view portions of Mark Hall's documentary, *Killing Ed*, located on the website. Mr. Hall, independently from Amsterdam & Partners, has been actively researching and filming these same issues since 2011.

We are continuing to do work in the District of Columbia on these Gulen Schools and want to ensure you're fully aware and you and your staff have the opportunity to be briefed on this issue.

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**Sent:** Tuesday, January 16, 2018 6:17 PM  
**To:** richard.corcoran@myfloridahouse.gov  
**Subject:** Gulen Network of Schools

Dear Speaker Corcoran,

My name is John Martin, and I am an attorney with the law firm Amsterdam & Partners LLP. I wanted to reach out to you regarding recent troubling discoveries in Florida Charter Schools.

In Florida, there are a network of charter schools where there have been serious allegations of, or highly suspected activities of financial mismanagement, suspected fraud, apparent self-dealing, discrimination, and unusual immigration/visa practices.

We represent the Republic of Turkey regarding an investigation of an exiled imam named Fetullah Gulen, who resides in Pennsylvania and surreptitiously oversees a nationwide network of nearly 200 charter schools. Amsterdam & Partners LLP has spent more than two years thoroughly researching and gathering information about these schools from public sources and former employees, parents and students in Florida. We just released the findings in a book titled, *Empire of Deceit: An Investigation of the Gulen Charter School Network* [www.empireofdeceit.com](http://www.empireofdeceit.com)

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Florida has 12 schools (Science Charter School, River City Science Academy, New Springs Schools) with 4,525 students with a total of \$29,603,000 in revenue with 195 H-1B employees.

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I would also encourage you to view portions of Mark Hall's documentary, *Killing Ed*, located on the website. Mr. Hall, independently from Amsterdam & Partners, has been actively researching and filming these same issues since 2011.

We are continuing to do work in Florida on these Gulen Schools and want to ensure you're fully aware and you and your staff have the opportunity to be briefed on this issue.

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