

Krikorian For Congress

Press Release

FBI Whistleblower Sibel Edmonds to Testify in Case Against Jean Schmidt

Witness Has Firsthand Knowledge of Turkish Government Infiltration of US Congress

Cincinnati, OH - August 5, 2009 - FBI whistleblower Sibel Edmonds yesterday executed a sworn Letter of Declaration in advance of providing her testimony in the Schmidt vs. Krikorian case before the Ohio Elections Commission. This information was made public yesterday in a [press release](#) by the National Whistleblowers Center in Washington D.C.



Ms. Edmonds is prepared to testify this Saturday in an open to the media deposition in Washington DC that during the time she was employed by the FBI she obtained evidence that:

1. The Government of Turkey had illegally infiltrated and influenced various U.S. government institutions and officials, including the Department of State, the Department of Defense and individual members of the United States Congress
2. The Government of Turkey had engaged in practices and policies that were inimical to American interests and had in fact resulted in both the direct and indirect loss of American lives
3. Turkish American cultural and business groups conduct operations with direct and indirect support from the Government of Turkey

In April 2009, Representative Schmidt charged Mr. Krikorian with making false statements during the 2008 campaign. Mr. Krikorian ran against Schmidt in 2008 as an Independent and will be her likely opponent in 2010. [Current polling](#) shows Krikorian and Schmidt in a statistical tie.

During the 2008 campaign, Mr. Krikorian charged Ms. Schmidt with taking \$30,000 in Blood Money from Turkish sources in exchange for denying the Armenian Holocaust. Attorneys for Ms. Schmidt are now trying to withdraw the initial complaint because they know it will not stand on its merits. Ms. Edmonds testimony will prove that Schmidt's second complaint will not stand as well.

Ms. Edmonds is a Turkish American, fluent in Turkish and was employed as a translator at the FBI in 2002 and 2003 when she uncovered evidence of Turkish government infiltration of the US Department of State, Department of Defense and the United States Congress. Ms. Edmonds has gained much notoriety through national interviews on CBS's 60 Minutes and Vanity Fair Magazine. Additionally, a documentary film was produced regarding Ms. Edmonds and she played an integral role in the founding of the National Whistleblowers Center in Washington D.C.

Mr. Krikorian stated the following regarding this key development in the case: "Sibel Edmonds is an American hero and a very credible witness. As an FBI translator, she was privy to the truth behind the assertions I made regarding Jean Schmidt being a puppet for the Turkish government in my 2008 Congressional campaign. Jean Schmidt and the Turkish Legal Defense Fund have been attempting to squash my right to political free speech by abusing the OEC process by filing frivolous complaints against me for their own political gain. Schmidt has previously been convicted by the OEC for having a reckless disregard for truth."

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