I add my opposition to the chorus of those who would impose both thought and behavioral control over my actions as a lawyer. Certainly I am subject to the operation of generally-applicable laws regarding discrimination in employment, but to suggest, for instance, that I as a lawyer--and citizen--cannot advocate the deportation of all Muslims because they cannot swear allegiance to the United States as a condition of their faith, or to maintain that Islam is not a religion as understood by the Framers and therefore not entitled to the protection of the First Amendment, is an infringement of my freedom of speech. To hold my license to practice law hostage to this level of thought and speech control is abhorrent to any American citizen, and it will undoubtedly be held unconstitutional. It would do no service to the profession to enact a facially-unconstitutional restriction on my rights to freedom of expression and action.

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