

# **Council on American-Islamic Relations: Urges Trump administration not to appoint Wisc. Sheriff who supported 'patrols' in Muslim neighborhoods to DHS post**

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**(WASHINGTON, D.C., 5/1/2017)** – The Council on American-Islamic relations (CAIR), the nation's largest Muslim civil rights and advocacy organization, today urged the Trump administration not to appoint Milwaukee County Sheriff David A. Clarke Jr. to a post with the U.S. Department of Homeland Security (DHS).

Sources say Clarke will be appointed as assistant secretary at the DHS's Office of Partnership and Engagement, a position of that does not require Senate confirmation.

**SEE: White House Considers Milwaukee County Sheriff David Clarke for Post in Homeland Security**

<http://www.jsonline.com/story/news/local/milwaukee/2017/04/28/white-house-considers-milwaukee-county-sheriff-david-clarke-post-homeland-security/101036918/>

Last year, Clarke supported then GOP presidential candidate Ted Cruz's call for law

enforcement to “patrol and secure Muslim neighborhoods.” CAIR expressed concern that such a policy would lead to religious and ethnic profiling by officers and called the policy “unworkable, unconstitutional and counterproductive.”

### **SEE: CAIR Concerned That Milwaukee Sheriff’s Support for Ted Cruz’s Muslim ‘Patrols’ Will Lead to Profiling**

<http://www.cair.com/press-center/press-releases/13465-cair-concerned-that-milwaukee-sheriff-s-support-for-ted-cruz-s-muslim-patrols-will-lead-to-profiling.html>

Clarke also caused controversy with his claim that the Black Lives Matter movement would “join forces” with the terror group ISIS. He is facing protests today because he wants his officers to operate as federal immigration agents.

### **Trump Considers Sheriff Who Called Black Lives Matter ‘Terrorists’ for DHS Post**

<http://thehill.com/blogs/blog-briefing-room/331139-trump-considers-sheriff-who-called-black-lives-matter-terrorists-for>

### **Controversial Milwaukee Sheriff David Clarke Faces Protests Monday**

<http://www.cnn.com/2017/04/30/us/milwaukee-protest-against-sheriff-david-clarke/>

“Given Sheriff Clarke’s history of extremist views, and his support for counterproductive and un-American policy proposals, it would be inappropriate to appoint him to any government position — let alone one involving public outreach,” said **CAIR Government Affairs Director Robert McCaw**

McCaw noted that Clarke would join many other infamous Islamophobes in, or recently removed from the Trump administration, including Sebastian Gorka, Steve Bannon, Michael Flynn, and Stephen Miller. Many of the administration’s picks are themselves on record as making anti-Muslim statements or of working closely with anti-Muslim conspiracy theorists.

### **CAIR Islamophobia Monitor: Islamophobia and the Trump Team**

<http://islamophobia.org/158-key-issues-in-islamophobia/181-islamophobia-and-the-trump-team.html>

## **CAIR: Muslim Civil Rights Group Opposes Confirmation of Mark E. Green as Army Secretary**

<http://www.cair.com/press-center/press-releases/14271-cair-muslim-civil-rights-group-opposes-confirmation-of-mark-e-green-as-army-secretary.html>

CAIR's national headquarters recently decried what it termed the Trump administration's "deafening silence" on a growing number of anti-Muslim incidents nationwide since the November 8 election.

## **SEE: CAIR Decries Trump Administration's 'Deafening Silence' on Series of Anti-Muslim Incidents Nationwide**

<http://www.cair.com/press-center/press-releases/14225-cair-decries-trump-administration-s-deafening-silence-on-series-of-anti-muslim-incidents-nationwide.html>