

To: Chairman Baker and Members of the Committee:

Good afternoon, my name is Rachel Fustini and I am a community activist, patient advocate and a family care taker in Kansas City. I am in opposition to Kansas Rep. Aaron Coleman holding any position where he wields power over people.

I met Rep. Aaron Coleman in early 2020 when he effectively "slid into my DMs". While I was running for the KS Bernie Sanders Delegate and Coleman used that as his in. He was harmless enough and discussed politics a moment. He then started to question my age and commenting on my looks. This was within 10-15 minutes of messaging. Although this isn't uncommon for me or other people, I find it unprofessional and lacking in judgement for a person working on a career in representation. It concerns me to think how he might have escalated if I wasn't as assured in myself and as a single 30 something woman whose been dealing with thirsty guys for 15 or 20 years. What if I had met with him in person? As we can see by his not so distant past I could have been a victim of his. After asking a few activists friends about him I learned that he is not only awkward, forward and aggressive but abusive. I cut all my social media ties with him a few days later. Victims started to post around June 17th via Facebook.

As the summer 2020 went on more and more accounts of abuse and poor judgment came out via various females in the same community that he now is a representative for. Faith, other activists and myself worked hard to encourage and support Coleman's victims as they came forward. We encouraged Coleman to step down. He did not, well he did then he didn't. Again posting ill intended messages and admitting to his past abuse. Coleman didn't stop, he escalated In October he started stalking his opponent's staff.

Now, as he takes office he holds "town halls" where he address Erin's Law, one to protect victims of abuse, a slap in the face to his victims and his victims' allies. In these town halls he doesn't allow the community to talk, comment or participate in any way, unless they are Pro Aaron Coleman. Not only is this poor representation but it's illegal. Thus, him making a continuation of suppressive, dominating behavior.

We have found nine women within our community currently that have opened up publicly about their victimization by Coleman. These interactions have been continuous. Please see this behavior as I do; He is 20 year old who at minimum thinks with his penis and who at his current peak has threatened to shoot up a local high school, slapped and choked a human being and stalked another. He is not stable, smart or a good steward of his ~~very important role.~~ We do not need him in office. Thank you for your time and consideration of ~~this testimony.~~ I urge you to expelling Kansas Rep. Aaron Coleman seeing he has overall lack of insight, extremely poor judgement and is abusive.

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