

STATE OF INDIANA)
) SS: INDIANA STATE ETHICS COMMISSION
COUNTY OF MARION) CASE NO: 2025-03-0077

IN RE THE MATTER OF JENNIFER-RUTH GREEN,
 Respondent.

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ETHICS COMPLAINT

Comes now Jared Prentice, Inspector General of the State of Indiana, by counsel, Elaine Vullmahn, and alleges and says that Jennifer-Ruth Green, Respondent, has violated the Indiana Code of Ethics, as follows:

1. Through Executive Order 25-05, Governor Braun created the Office of Public Safety to be led by the Secretary of Public Safety.
2. In January of 2025, Governor Braun appointed Respondent, to serve as the Secretary of Public Safety and the Executive Director of the Indiana Department of Homeland Security (IDHS). As the Secretary of Public Safety, Respondent had oversight of several executive branch agencies, including IDHS, the Indiana Department of Correction, the Indiana Criminal Justice Institute, and the Parole Board. On September 5, 2025, Respondent resigned. Accordingly, Respondent is subject to the jurisdiction of the Inspector General and the Indiana State Ethics Commission.
3. Respondent violated 42 IAC 1-5-4, the political activity rule, when she had state employees Elizabeth Dessauer and Adri Ludwick generate content and state employee Ashleigh Presnar proofread posts made to the Elect Jennifer-Ruth Green Facebook account.
4. Respondent violated 42 IAC 1-5-4, the political activity rule, when she had a meeting with

a National Republican Congressional Committee (NRCC) Political Director during working hours.

5. Respondent violated 42 IAC 1-5-3-13, the ghost employment rule, when she had state employees Elizabeth Dessauer and Adri Ludwick generate content and state employee Ashleigh Presnar proofread posts made to the Elect Jennifer-Ruth Green Facebook account on state time.
6. Respondent violated 42 IAC 1-5-3-13, the ghost employment rule, when she required that state employee Amanda Earnhart perform personal tasks for her on state time.
7. Respondent violated 42 IAC 1-5-3-13, the ghost employment rule, when she required that state employees Amanda Earnhart and Bonnie Sims perform personal task of retrieving her assigned state vehicle from Crown Point, Indiana.
8. Respondent violated Ind. Code § 4-2-6-17, the misuse of state property rule, when she used her state title on the Battle-Proven Leadership website, where she sells on-demand and in-person training seminars and her book.
9. Respondent violated Ind. Code § 4-2-6-17, the misuse of state property rule, when she had a meeting with a NRCC Political Director in a conference room on state property.
10. Respondent violated Ind. Code § 4-2-6-17, the misuse of state property rule, when she used, and required state employee Amanda Earnhart to use, Respondent's assigned state vehicle to perform personal tasks for her.
11. Respondent violated Ind. Code § 4-2-6-13, the prohibition against retaliation, when she threatened state employee Ashleigh Presnar with either demotion or termination after Ashleigh Presnar provided information to the OIG during an OIG investigation concerning

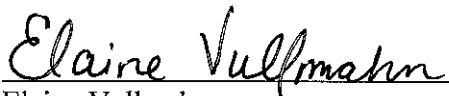
Respondent.

12. Respondent violated Ind. Code § 4-2-6-13, the prohibition against retaliation, when she made derogatory comments about and called Ashleigh Presnar demeaning names after Ashleigh Presnar cooperated with the OIG's request for an interview and the OIG's subsequent requests for information.

WHEREFORE, the Inspector General prays that the Indiana State Ethics Commission set this matter for a hearing, find Respondent in violation of the Code of Ethics as stated herein, and impose an appropriate sanction.

DATED: 09/12/2025


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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I certify that a copy of the foregoing "Ethics Complaint" has been served upon Respondent by email and certified mail at both addresses listed below, on this 12 day of September 2025.

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