





Date: September 20, 2020

Re: Women's Legal Forum - Statement on Racial Justice

Dear Notre Dame Law School,

The Women's Legal Forum believes that an inclusive educational environment will help support all women to be their true selves while succeeding to their greatest potential. For this reason, WLF stands in solidarity with the Black Lives Matter movement, Black students, and Black individuals everywhere. It is crucial that we incorporate justice and equality for all into all aspects of not just the law school, but the entire Notre Dame community.

This commitment is grounded in the belief that all women are valued and needed to further the social mission of the legal profession. The violence against, bias toward, and inequitable treatment of people of color will not be tolerated. WLF's commitment will not stop until we all live in a multiracial democratic society we all deserve.

To that end, WLF will support and lift up our fellow cultural organizations and diverse student groups to help address the ongoing racial inequity our country faces. WLF has started implementing surveying and feedback measures this year to try to best gauge how our members across various identity groups feel programming and outreach are inclusive of their needs. This means keeping the lines of communication open, helping advertise events targeted towards diversity in our newsletter, and covering issues that affect all women on our social media.

The Women's Legal Forum looks forward to participating in a campus-wide discussion that improves our understanding of the role that underlying structural, systemic, and cultural racism influences every aspect of life in our country. The Women's Legal Forum commits to do all that it can in making Notre Dame an academic community that praises diversity and inclusion.

Sincerely,

Women's Legal Forum