



Statement in Support of Black Lives Matter

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We, the collective leadership and individual members of the Association for Latin American Law Students (“ALALS”) write to express solidarity with our peers in the Association of Black Law Students (“ABLS”) at Rutgers Law School. It has always been the time to support our Black peers, but now more than ever, we stand with them and stand up for them.

Ever-persisting acts of senseless violence perpetrated by police and other authorities on our Black peers take a significant toll on emotional and mental health. To them, we would like to say, you are not alone in this fight. We are here for you, we hear you, we love you, and we unquestionably support you.

We want to make clear that we will support any practical steps to take action, such as funds to donate to, protests to attend, and steps those in our legal community can take to support the movement.

Without question, we are demanding justice and accountability.

We pledge to continue to fight against systemic racism, white supremacy, and all systems/institutions created to devastate our Black and Brown communities.

We also acknowledge and will continue to confront the role the Latinx community has in colorism and anti-Blackness, and the silence to these attacks that come with this mindset. We assert that it will not be tolerated. At all.

Whatever our counterparts in ABLS choose to do, we will follow them. Through anything, we support them.

Sincerely,

ALALS