

Dear Members of the Penn State Law and SIA Community,

In the aftermath of the grand jury decision in the Breonna Taylor case this week, many people in our community and around the country are hurting. I wanted to reinforce our continued commitment to racial justice and police accountability, and to offer supportive resources.

It is important that we acknowledge the pain and anger over this decision and support our Black students, faculty, staff, and alumni. It is not ok that Black members of our community have to live in fear for themselves and their loved ones. In addition to Breonna Taylor, Atatiana Jefferson, Tanisha Anderson, Kayla Moore, Crystalline Barnes, and too many other Black women have been killed by police.

Student services in both Penn State Law and SIA are here support our students. I also wanted to share university resources to support students and employees.

- Penn State Law Student Services plans to have virtual walk-in hours on Tuesday, September 29th 1-3 pm for students to chat and process-
<https://psu.zoom.us/j/92848098400?pwd=amlyWEkxYUxYYU5ERTNDRUVHaHc4Zz09> Password: 107
- Penn State CAPS has a specific page for racialized minority groups:
<https://studentaffairs.psu.edu/counseling/resources/resources-racially-minoritized-students>.
- The Paul Robeson Cultural Center provides resources and programming: <https://studentaffairs.psu.edu/cultural>
- For employees needing support, the Penn State Employee Assistance Program (EAP), through the EAP+Work/Life program, offers short-term counseling from licensed EAP professionals, by phone, email or in person to help employees better cope with personal, family and work issues. EAP also offers access to Personal Health Advocates, who can help navigate healthcare and insurance systems, efficiently and dependably. More information is available at <https://hr.psu.edu/health-matters/employee-assistance-program>.

Warmly,
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