

Law Firm Antiracism Alliance Submit New Project Proposal

Before submitting a new project proposal, please review the following Submission Guidelines.

Submission Guidelines

A matter or project to be posted or placed by the LFAA must seek to identify, evaluate and/or challenge:

a statute, regulation, legislation, procedure, policy or pronouncement that serves to perpetuate systemic racism, racist goals or racist policies

a facially neutral statute, regulation, legislation, procedure, policy or pronouncement which nonetheless, in a significantly disparate manner, adversely impacts people and/or communities of color

a facially neutral statute, regulation, legislation, procedure, policy or pronouncement with a history, background, or intent premised upon racial animus.

Accordingly, matters and projects posted by LFAA for consideration by Alliance Firms will focus on systemic issues. Through research, litigation, legislative advocacy and transactional counseling, our Alliance Firms will work together to identify and dismantle laws, regulations, policies and institutional practices that promote, perpetuate or otherwise sustain racist practices and impacts on a systemic basis. Projects and matters may also seek to identify the absence of laws, regulations and policies that seek to correct or ameliorate the impacts of systemic racism.

Typically, representation of individuals is more appropriate for legal aid organizations that have long-established channels for placing such matters. If you believe you need a lawyer, please contact your local bar association or go to www.lawhelp.org.

By posting a matter, you are inviting LFAA Alliance Firms to participate in or work on the matter, but please note that LFAA cannot guarantee that any particular matter will be placed with an Alliance Firm.

Key Terms of Use Related to the Submission of Projects

Note that the terms below are an excerpt from the complete Terms of Use.

You can submit a legal services project that you believe meets the submission guidelines (a “Project”) by filling out the form on the Site. On the form you will be asked to provide your name, title, organization, email address, non-confidential Project description, and additional non-confidential information. Please ensure that your information is accurate and reliable. Please be mindful when submitting a Project that any information shared about that Project will not be considered privileged and may not be kept confidential. Please do not send confidential information to an Alliance Firm unless that law firm has agreed to accept such information.

By submitting a Project, you represent and warrant that you have the right to submit such Project, which may contain the personal information of third parties, and that you have provided all notices and obtained all permissions and consents necessary and appropriate to provide such personal information to LFAA. Do not include any personal information in your Project that you are not authorized or permitted to include, such as sensitive personal information or personal information relating to the third party’s finances, health, race, ethnicity, religion, sexual orientation, trade union membership, or political affiliation. We will treat all personal information you provide in accordance with our Privacy Policy and Data Protection Addendum, both of which you acknowledge and accept as a condition to using the Site and submitting a Project. Your use of this Site, submitting a Project, or communicating with LFAA does not create an attorney-client relationship between you and LFAA or an Alliance Firm.

By submitting a Project, you authorize us to reproduce, encode, store, transmit, publish, post, broadcast, display, publicly perform, adapt, modify, and create derivative works of your Project in connection with our operation of the Site.

LFAA is not a referral service and will not match you with a lawyer. LFAA itself does not practice law or provide legal representation or advice. By submitting a Project, you are inviting alliance law firms to participate in or work on the Project, but LFAA cannot guarantee that any particular Project will be accepted by an Alliance Firm. LFAA does not screen Alliance Firms, does not endorse any Alliance Firm, and makes no representation, guarantee or warranty (express or implied) as to the legal ability, competence, quality, or reliability of any legal services provided by any Alliance Firm. Some sections of this Site may describe legal matters handled in the past by Alliance Firms. The results for these matters depended upon a variety of factors, each unique to its own situation, and is not indicative of the success or outcome of any other case. LFAA does not supervise alliance law firms in undertaking any Project.

Until you and an Alliance Firm agree on the terms of your engagement of that alliance law firm, you should not consider there to be an attorney-client relationship between you and that Alliance Firm. Any Project accepted by an Alliance Firm is an engagement of that law firm directly with you and does not involve LFAA or any other Alliance Firm. Your relationship is solely with that Alliance Firm and only that Alliance Firm will owe you any duties. Whether that law firm is appropriate for your Project is within your sole discretion, and you acknowledge that there may be other law firms that are

more appropriate for your Project that are not Alliance Firms or that may not be willing to take on your Project. Each Alliance Firm will be responsible to check for conflicts of interest, and such representation will commence once the Alliance Firm agrees to undertake the representation and pursuant to an agreed engagement letter. The fact that an Alliance Firm has undertaken your Project does not mean that any other Alliance Firm is also working on, has any knowledge of, or has any responsibility for, your Project.

Submit New Project Proposal: Summer Associate Project Exchange

Submit requests to the LFAA, which will be reviewed by the Projects Committee. In order to be posted, project proposals must meet the Submission Guidelines. If you are seeking to submit a project for our Summer Associate Project Exchange, please select the applicable box below.

LFAA is not a law firm and does not provide legal services or referrals to individuals, legal services organizations or public interest agencies. If you believe you need a lawyer, please contact your local bar association or go to www.lawhelp.org.



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