

Dear Members of the Penn State Law and SIA Community,

I am writing to share a limited time opportunity—**only until July 31, 2020**—for you to join Associate Dean for Academic Affairs Jill Engle and me in being part of the endowed match for the Penn State Law [George Floyd Memorial Scholarship Fund](#) that has been established at Penn State Law. This fund will provide financial support to a rising 2L or 3L student participating in BLSA, which helps provide access to legal education and support for student success crucial to diversifying the legal profession.

Dean Engle and I each provided equal initial gifts to create the \$25,000 scholarship fund, which we are now converting it to a \$50,000 endowed fund thanks to a matching grant from the university. **Until July 31, anyone who commits to join us at a \$1000 pledge or more (payable over 5 years, so \$200 a year) will also have their gift added to the endowment and matched to double its impact.** So, if 25 people joined us and contributed at the \$1000 level, we would, with the university match, have a \$100,000 endowed fund. Gifts at less than that level will add to the scholarships available, but will not be able to be added to the endowment or be matched.

In addition to this opportunity to contribute to the Penn State Law [George Floyd Memorial Scholarship Fund](#), the university has announced limited-time matching funds more broadly for diversity, equity, and inclusion scholarships that can be created by a minimum \$25,000 commitment over five years. I am extremely grateful that Emeritus Professor Beth Farmer is leading in creating one of these scholarships, and hope that others might consider doing so as well as they are able.

I appreciate your considering this exciting opportunity to support our students and the diversity of the profession. If you are interested in supporting the Penn State Law George Floyd Memorial Scholarship Fund at \$1000 or more over five years or in exploring creating an additional diversity, equity, and inclusion scholarship, please contact Rod Schultz, our Director of Development and Alumni Relations, at rodschultz@psu.edu or by phone at 608-312-0521.

Best,
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