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The Barrister Group Anti-racism Statement 2020-2022

The Macpherson Inquiry and the Black Lives Matter movement has shown that there is a need for change, to reduce racial inequality in our modern world.

The Bar Standards Board is committed to encouraging an independent, strong, diverse and effective legal profession, as is The Barrister Group Barristers and Mediators.

The Barrister Group recognise the role it can play by developing an anti-racist organisation and in delivering an anti-racist practice; we are committed to tackling the injustice caused by racial inequality at the Bar and within the legal profession.

The Barrister Group remain committed to welcoming people of all backgrounds and ethnicities to the business, both as members and users of the facilities. We therefore welcome input in this educational journey.

We are undertaking a race equality audit with our members to identify the barriers to race equality, so that we can work together on tackling them.

We are committed to training our staff, pupils and barristers and we are in the process of designing anti-racist training for members and staff. All members and staff will be invited to attend training. We hope to open up this training to members of the public in 2021.

Our Equality, Diversity and Inclusion Policy provides more detail on our overall strategy and the practical processes we have in place.

You can raise any concerns that you have in respect of racial equality/racism with our Equality Diversion and Inclusion Officers, Stassi Jennings and Michaela Hardwick.