



**Dear Fellow YLC Members,**

Welcome to the 2020-2021 Bar Year. I am both excited and honored to serve as President of the Young Lawyers Conference this year.



We begin this year by continuing in uncharted territory amidst a global pandemic that has many struggling to find a new "normal," working from home, and navigating employment and economic crises. These circumstances highlight the importance of the YLC's wellness and mentorship initiatives, which will remain an important focus this year.

We also find ourselves in a position to affect meaningful change with respect to inequities in the legal system. As lawyers, when we swore the oath to support and defend the Constitution of the United States, we committed to continuing the work of fulfilling the promise of liberty and justice for all. The mission of the YLC is to uphold the Rule of Law and the equal protection of all persons, and we will continue to work steadfastly toward this goal. To that end, I encourage everyone to register for the first in a series of joint Virtual Town Halls with the Diversity Conference - [Time to Talk: Perceptions and Realities of Policing](#) on July 23, 2020, at 4:00 p.m.

Opportunities remain for you to volunteer to serve as a District Representative, Program Chair, or Section Liaison. Please [complete this form](#) to join us as a volunteer!

I look forward to all of the great things that the YLC, thanks to its dedicated volunteers, will accomplish this year. Please do not hesitate to [contact me](#).



Missy York  
President, YLC

The Virginia State Bar Young Lawyers Conference and Diversity Conference have teamed up to bring you a series of virtual town hall meetings to shine a light on some aspects of the current civil rights movement from a legal standpoint.



## Perceptions and Realities of Policing July 23, 4:00 - 5:30 p.m.

Time  
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Talk

In our first town hall, a panel will explore topics including, but not limited to: Section 1983 civil rights actions; the doctrine on qualified immunity and instances of excessive use of force; the removal of statues and monuments; and 1st Amendment protection of protesters afforded under the U.S. Constitution.

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