



Statement from the Colorado Trial Lawyers Association in Support of the Sam Cary Bar Association

June 3, 2020 (Denver, Colorado) – Today, the Colorado Trial Lawyers Association issued the statement below in solidarity with the Sam Cary Bar Association. The statement was drafted by the members of the CTLA Diversity Committee, in conjunction with the officers and the executive committee.

“The Colorado Trial Lawyers Association joins the [Sam Cary Bar Association](#) (SCBA) in condemning and mourning the deaths of Ahmaud Arbery, George Floyd and Breonna Taylor. We stand in solidarity with the SCBA in their vow to uphold justice for the defenseless or oppressed and demand accountability for any senseless deaths in the black community. Systematic injustices that lead to death and violence in communities of color, and fails to hold wrongdoers accountable, is unacceptable and we must stand as one against discrimination, inequality and exclusion.”

“Consistent with our mission statement, we are an organization of Colorado trial lawyers ‘committed to the protection and advancement of individual rights.’ For over 65 years we have stood with those who cry out for justice by safeguarding and advancing the right to due process and trial by jury. Now more than ever, we must recognize that many in this country do not feel secure in their right to live their lives without fear for their safety from our government. We will continue to stand together not only with SCBA, but with all who exercise their First Amendment right to assemble peacefully against racism and the system that allows violence and killings to persist. #BlackLivesMatter”