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Introduction to Legal Insurrection Foundation

The Legal Insurrection Foundation (LIF) stands on the front lines of the fight for individual liberty and equal protection under the law.

Founded by Cornell Law School Professor William A. Jacobson in 2019, LIF confronts discrimination and ideological coercion on college campuses, in corporate America, and across government through investigative journalism, public engagement, and legal action.

Our mission is simple but uncompromising: to ensure that equality means equality, and that no American is excluded, silenced, or disadvantaged on the basis of race, color, national origin, or sex. LIF accomplishes this by serving as an umbrella organization of three complementary projects that work together to fearlessly pursue LIF's mission.

The first project is LIF's flagship website, **Legal Insurrection**, which produces and publishes conservative news and analysis at [Legalinsurrection.com](https://legalinsurrection.com). The next project is LIF's **Critical Race Training In Education Project** ([CriticalRace.org](https://criticalrace.org)) which creates interactive databases and maps of critical race theory programs and its offshoots such as DEI in higher education institutions across America. Finally, LIF's **Equal Protection Project** (EPP) ([EqualProtect.org](https://equalprotect.org)) draws from LIF's unique expertise to investigate, educate, and where necessary litigate against education programs and scholarships that discriminate based on race, color, national origin, and sex, in violation of federal civil rights laws and equal protection constitutional guarantees.

By leveraging these three projects into a unique three-pillar strategy—**Legalinsurrection.com** for public awareness, **CriticalRace.org** for data transparency, and the **Equal Protection Project** for legal enforcement—we have become a national leader in exposing and dismantling DEI and CRT frameworks in all their forms, while advancing freedom of speech and individual liberty.

As this report shows, 2025 was a transformative year for LIF. We challenged over 600 programs and scholarships—our most aggressive pace to date. From sparking a historic Department of Justice lawsuit to triggering federal civil rights investigations and forcing universities to revise or abandon unlawful programs, LIF's work upheld the foundational American values of merit and equality and dealt DEI one defeat after another.

Every victory detailed in these pages reflects the impact of our supporters' commitment: transforming principle into concrete progress for freedom and the rule of law.

Letter from the President

Dear Friends,

The past year marked a seminal chapter in the history of the Legal Insurrection Foundation.

For years, the Legal Insurrection Foundation documented how DEI and related ideologies hollowed out equal protection, redefined merit, damaged education, and chilled dissent. The 2024 election led to a shift in policy throughout the Executive Branch, as the administration made fighting back against DEI discrimination a key focus. Our preparation helped us meet the moment, and in 2025 LIF's work resulted in a wave of consequential achievements. Long-ignored abuses were finally confronted—and institutions accustomed to operating with impunity were forced to respond.

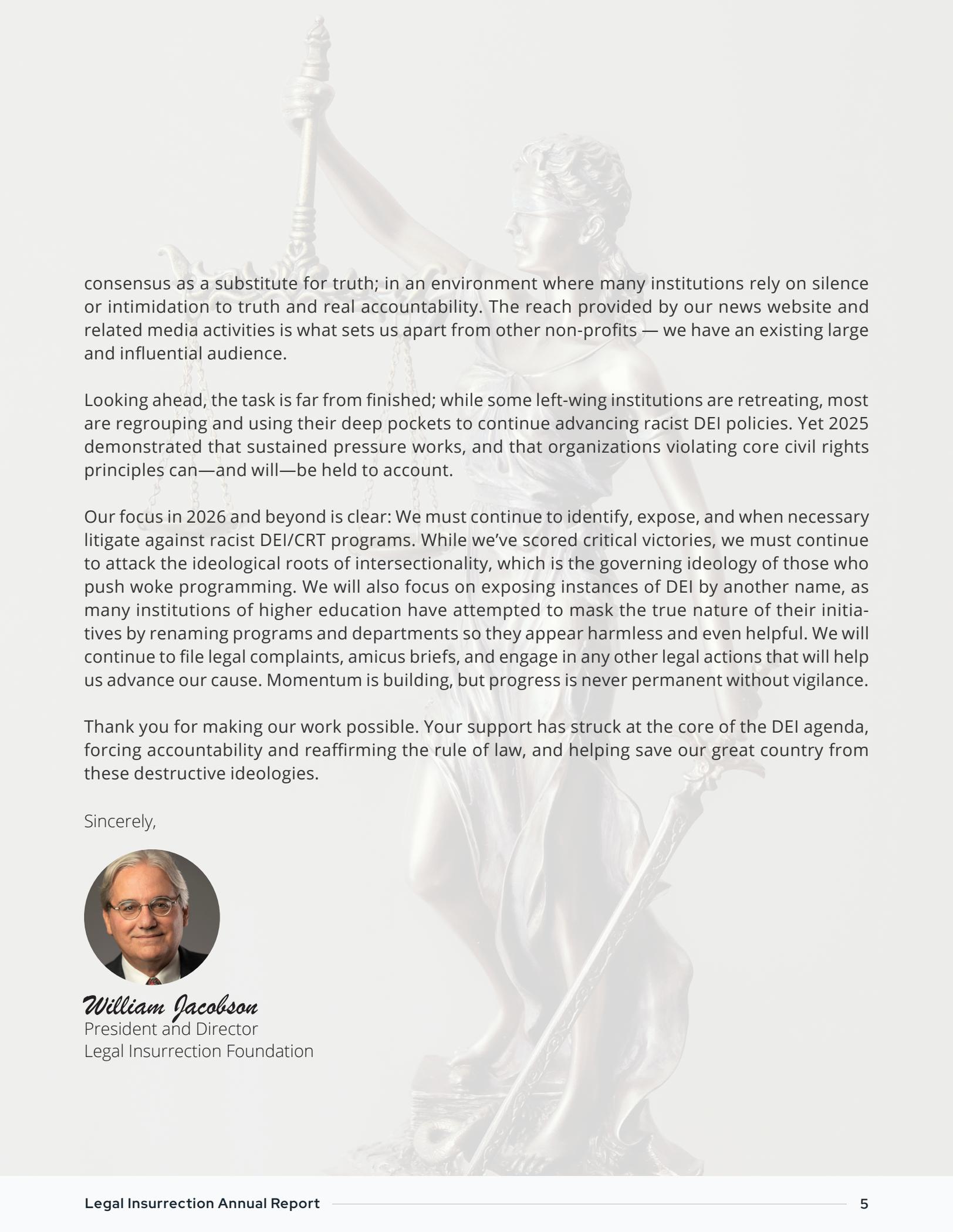
One of the most visible examples was the Department of Justice lawsuit against the Providence Public School District over its racially exclusive teacher loan forgiveness program, which stemmed directly from our investigative and legal work. But it was hardly an isolated event. Across the country, universities rewrote policies, opening up or dismantling race-based programs and scholarships, and retreating from practices they once defended as untouchable.

This shift did not happen spontaneously. It followed years of careful investigation, disciplined research, and a willingness to challenge perpetrators legally, even when doing so was unpopular or inconvenient. Thankfully, in 2025 our efforts intersected with a federal government prepared to enforce civil rights laws against racist DEI policies in academia.

Throughout the year, the Equal Protection Project maintained an unprecedented legal offensive, initiating a barrage of civil rights challenges to subject discriminatory systems to rigorous judicial and administrative review. In May, EPP marked a major milestone by filing a legal challenge to the **100th institution**, reflecting the scale and persistence of our litigation efforts. Beyond direct challenges, our amicus briefs addressed foundational questions about real equality, free expression, parental rights, and the biological reality of sex under the law—issues that will shape civil rights jurisprudence for years to come.

At the same time, CriticalRace.org continued to do what it does best: document and expose toxic DEI programs. In 2025, we significantly expanded our research footprint, growing the database to over 700 institutions and increasing the depth of coverage, including every medical school in the country. As universities grow more sophisticated in masking radical ideology behind neutral-sounding language, CriticalRace.org is focused on unmasking the subterfuge and rebranding to reveal the true purpose of these initiatives.

Complementing our legal and research pillars, our flagship conservative news and commentary website, *Legalinsurrection.com*, now in its 18th year, reached millions with news and analysis that challenged legacy institutions of the left-wing media. That's because we refuse to accept elite



consensus as a substitute for truth; in an environment where many institutions rely on silence or intimidation to truth and real accountability. The reach provided by our news website and related media activities is what sets us apart from other non-profits — we have an existing large and influential audience.

Looking ahead, the task is far from finished; while some left-wing institutions are retreating, most are regrouping and using their deep pockets to continue advancing racist DEI policies. Yet 2025 demonstrated that sustained pressure works, and that organizations violating core civil rights principles can—and will—be held to account.

Our focus in 2026 and beyond is clear: We must continue to identify, expose, and when necessary litigate against racist DEI/CRT programs. While we've scored critical victories, we must continue to attack the ideological roots of intersectionality, which is the governing ideology of those who push woke programming. We will also focus on exposing instances of DEI by another name, as many institutions of higher education have attempted to mask the true nature of their initiatives by renaming programs and departments so they appear harmless and even helpful. We will continue to file legal complaints, amicus briefs, and engage in any other legal actions that will help us advance our cause. Momentum is building, but progress is never permanent without vigilance.

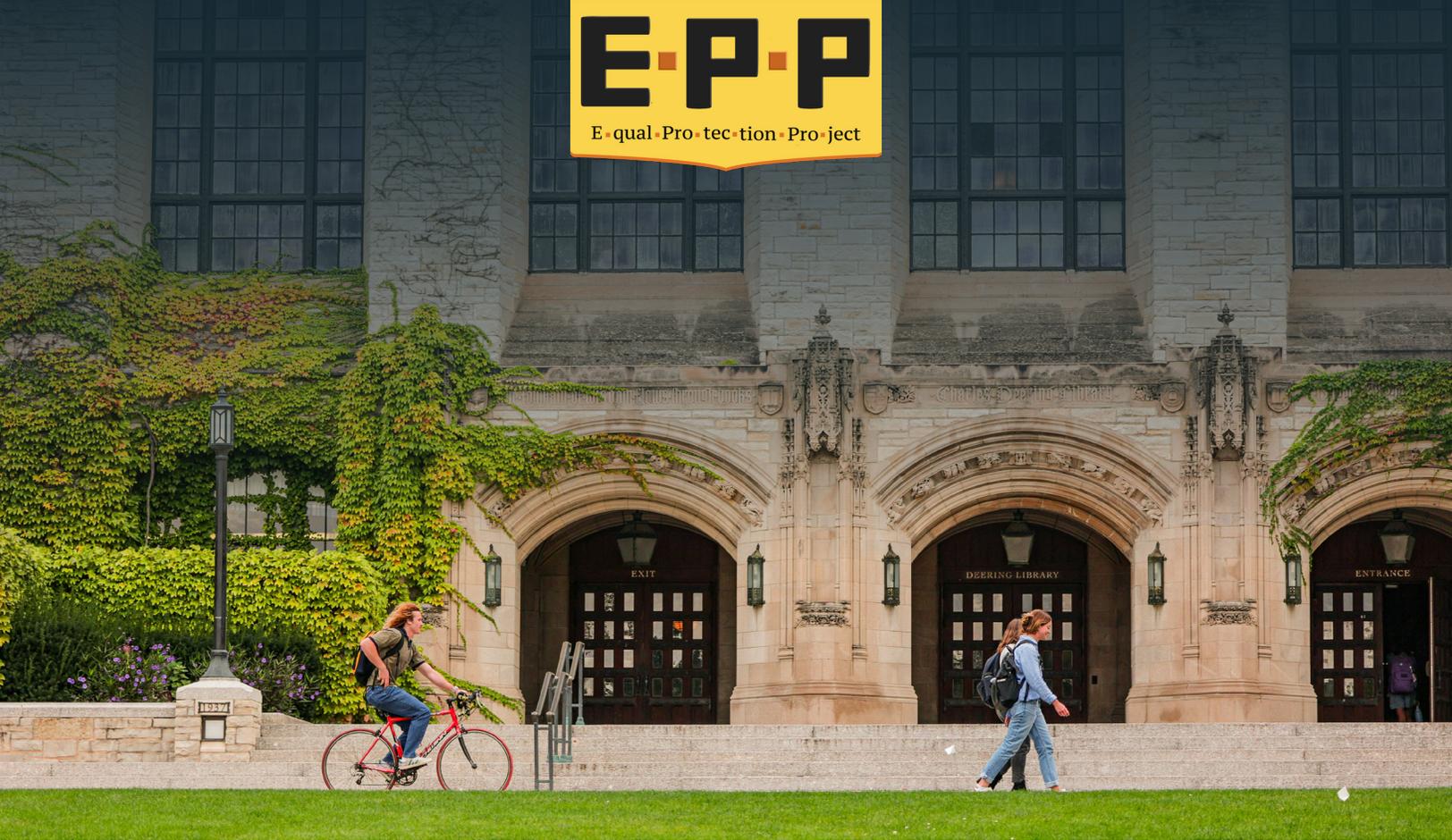
Thank you for making our work possible. Your support has struck at the core of the DEI agenda, forcing accountability and reaffirming the rule of law, and helping save our great country from these destructive ideologies.

Sincerely,



William Jacobson

President and Director
Legal Insurrection Foundation



EQUAL PROTECTION PROJECT

Confronting Discrimination in Academia One Institution At A Time

Launched in 2023, the Equal Protection Project combats race and sex-based discrimination under the leftist banner of “diversity, equity, and inclusion.”

EPP monitors, exposes, and challenges violations of civil rights laws across academia, government, and corporate America by combining meticulous research with legal action, including filing civil rights complaints, amicus briefs, and lawsuits.

By 2025, EPP had grown into one of the nation’s most active civil rights initiatives,

recognized by federal agencies and covered by national media as a primary check on unaccountable DEI policies. This institutional influence resulted in a series of landmark results that dismantled discriminatory programs and restored constitutional standards to campuses and educational institutions across America.

Here are some examples of our impact:

DOJ Lawsuit Against Providence Public Schools

The Department of Justice’s lawsuit against the Providence Public School District (PPSD) stands as one of the most significant civil rights enforcement actions of the year—and it began with EPP. In 2022, we filed a detailed civil rights complaint challenging PPSD’s “Educators of Color Loan Forgiveness Program,” which offered up to \$25,000 in loan relief to new teachers but explicitly excluded white applicants. The program was implemented despite clear prohibitions on race-based discrimination in education and public employment.

For nearly two years, we pushed the Biden administration to act, applying public and direct pressure to move the case along. In March 2025, under new leadership, the Department of Justice launched a formal investigation, followed by The U.S. Equal Employment Opportunity Commission’s (EEOC) finding in July 2025 of reasonable cause that PPSD “engaged in unlawful discrimination against a class of White applicants and employees.” On September 16, 2025, the DOJ filed suit against PPSD in federal court, seeking a permanent injunction and compensation for the teachers excluded because of their race. The case made national news, with EPP cited across many major outlets. This remains one of the clearest demonstrations of EPP’s impact: a multi-year effort that transformed a solitary complaint into a federal lawsuit capable of reshaping policy nationwide.

Cal State Reforms Discriminatory Systemwide Program

In late 2024, the Equal Protection Project filed a civil rights complaint challenging California State University’s “Young Males of Color Consortium,” a systemwide initiative that excluded participants based on race and sex. The complaint argued that the program violated federal civil rights law by limiting eligibility to certain demographic groups across one of the nation’s largest public university systems.

In January 2025, to resolve the Department of Education’s investigation of our complaint, CSU revised the program’s eligibility criteria and public-facing materials to make the consortium and its affiliated initiatives open to all students regardless of race or sex. The result was a significant institutional reform affecting over 400,000 students in the Cal State system, prompted by EPP’s legal action.

UC Berkeley Haas School of Business Opens Program to All Races

For years, the UC Berkeley Haas School of Business gatekept critical leadership pipelines and professional networks through selective programs that explicitly restricted participation based on race. Following EPP’s legal complaint and public exposure, Haas scrubbed these discriminatory requirements from its materials and websites.

Although the university made these changes quietly, the effect was substantial. Students

of all backgrounds now have equal access to programs that influence academic and career trajectories.



Santa Clara University Expands Eligibility

In October 2024, EPP filed an OCR complaint against Santa Clara University (SCU) challenging its “Black Corporate Board Readiness Program” (BCBR), which imposed race-based eligibility requirements in violation of Title VI. In January 2025, the Office for Civil Rights notified EPP that it had closed its investigation and deemed the matter “resolved” after SCU removed the discriminatory criteria identified in our complaint. EPP considers this outcome a clear victory for equal protection and will continue monitoring SCU to ensure similar programs do not reemerge under rebranded terms.



University of Nebraska–Omaha Removes Discriminatory Scholarship Language

In May, EPP filed an OCR complaint against the University of Nebraska–Omaha (UNO) challenging two scholarships with unlawful eligibility restrictions: the HDR Scholarship for underrepresented minority students and the Dreamers Pathway Scholarship limited to DACA-eligible Nebraska residents. The complaint alleged that both programs violated Title VI—one through race-based criteria and the other through national-ori-

gin discrimination. In July, UNO stripped the discriminatory preferences from both scholarships and replaced its exclusive “Dreamer’s Pathway” with the race and nationality neutral “Forward Together Scholarship.” Later that month, OCR notified EPP that it had opened a formal investigation into UNO based on our complaint.



University of Rhode Island Removes 35 Race and Sex Restricted Scholarships

In late 2024, EPP identified 51 programs at the University of Rhode Island—ranging from academic awards to professional fellowships—that violated Titles VI and IX by systemically excluding students based on race, sex, or both. At the time, URI had the highest number of discriminatory scholarships at a single institution documented by EPP.

In January 2025, OCR announced that it had opened investigations into 35 of these programs, with the remaining 16 already under review. By mid-April, the impact of this scrutiny became evident: URI removed 31 of the challenged scholarships from its online portal, signaling a significant retreat from its previously race- and sex-restricted framework.

New York STEM Program Alters Discriminatory Requirements

In 2025, EPP advanced a multi-year effort to dismantle racially discriminatory provisions in a New York State Education Department (NYSED) STEP program. In 2024, EPP—alongside the Pacific Legal Foundation—filed a federal lawsuit challenging the New York Science Technology Entry Program (STEP) Act, which conditions student eligibility on race. As alleged in our lawsuit, Asian and white students are subject to strict income-based eligibility thresholds, while students from other racial groups are exempt from those requirements.

In July 2025, following sustained litigation pressure, NYSED amended the STEP regulations to remove mandatory race-based eligibility criteria at the state level. However, the revised framework leaves discretion to individual participating schools to continue using race-based preferences. Because this partial retreat fails to cure the underlying constitutional and statutory violations, EPP is continuing its lawsuit to ensure that all discriminatory requirements are fully eliminated.



Rutgers Deletes Discriminatory Scholarships

Rutgers University operated multiple scholarships that excluded white and Asian students, violating federal civil rights protections. After receiving EPP’s complaint and under pressure from negative publicity,

Rutgers removed four racially discriminatory scholarships from its system. This swift resolution demonstrates EPP’s effectiveness at spotlighting illegal, race-based preferences to force institutions to choose between defending discrimination in court or returning to the race-neutral standards required by federal law.



Dominican University Revises DEI-Focused Scholarships

In May 2025, our OCR complaint compelled Dominican University to overhaul multiple scholarships that channeled financial resources to students based on ancestry. After EPP documented these Title VI violations, the university moved to eliminate the discriminatory barriers, marking another victory for the principle that university resources must be accessible to all students, regardless of race.



Twenty New England Universities Challenged Over BIPOC-Only Fellowships

EPP filed a civil rights complaint against the North Star Collective, a consortium of 20 New England universities including Boston University and Harvard, alleging that its “BIPOC-only” faculty fellowship constitutes unlawful race-based discrimination.

The filing sparked national media attention and forced the New England Board of Higher Education (NEBHE) to remove the program from its website, solidifying EPP’s role as the premier watchdog for large-scale civil rights enforcement.



University of Alabama Civil Rights Complaint

Our April 2025 complaint against a University of Alabama scholarship that limited eligibility to specific racial groups triggered an OCR probe into the university’s scholarship practices. By successfully moving this case into the federal enforcement phase, EPP has stripped away the institutional shield protecting UA’s discriminatory programs, ensuring that one of the nation’s largest public universities must now justify its policies under federal scrutiny. As a result of our actions, the scholarship was removed from UA’s website in May of 2025.



Northwestern University Terminates Discriminatory Encampment Agreement

After an EPP complaint and ongoing scrutiny, Northwestern terminated its Deering Meadow Agreement—a deal stemming from a 2024 anti-Israel encampment that included race and national-origin-based preferences in faculty hiring, admissions, scholarships, and housing.

In a federal settlement, the university agreed to terminate the programs EPP challenged, pay a \$75 million fine, comply with anti-discrimination laws, and implement antisemitism training.



Dept. of Education Investigates Discriminatory “DACA” Scholarships at Five Universities

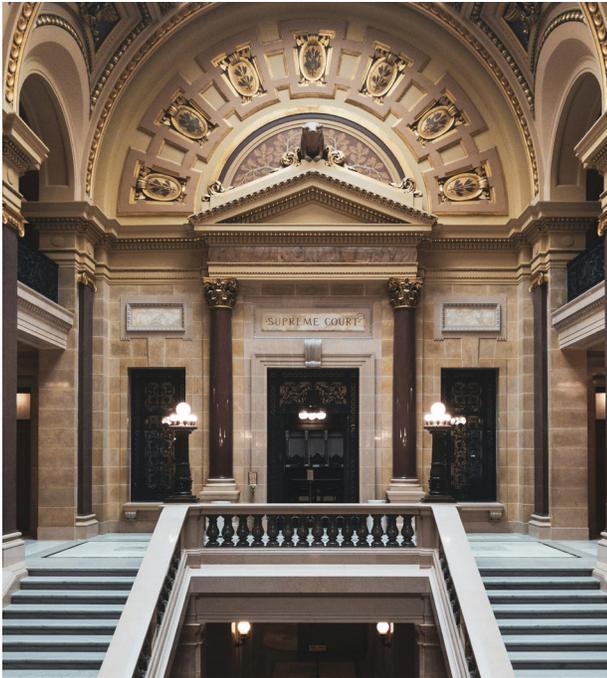
In July 2025, EPP’s OCR complaints against discriminatory scholarships at five universities only open to “DACA-eligible” or “undocumented” students, prompted a formal investigation by the Department of Education. Our complaints contend these scholarships discriminate on the basis of national origin by excluding American-born students. This investigation generated massive national media attention, and prompted a social media post from Secretary of Education Linda McMahon.

Making an Impact in Seminal Legal Cases

One of EPP’s most powerful tools, amicus briefs, allow us to shape legal doctrine, influence courts, and defend core civil rights principles in cases nationwide. In 2025, EPP filed or joined briefs in major cases addressing discrimination, compelled ideological speech, and the definition of sex and race under federal law.

In a landmark victory, the U.S. Supreme Court ruled in favor of the principles championed in EPP’s amicus brief in *Mahmoud v. Taylor*, resoundingly defending the funda-

mental right of parents to direct their children’s moral and religious upbringing. The 6-3 decision ensures that public schools cannot impose ideological orthodoxy on students without parental consent.



In July, the Supreme Court agreed to hear *Little v. Hecox and West Virginia v. BPJ*. EPP’s briefs in these cases urged the Court to address how sex-based classifications in athletics must be grounded in biological reality to protect the integrity of women’s sports.

Following EPP’s amicus intervention in *First Choice v. Platkin*, the Supreme Court held oral arguments in December 2025, with a majority of Justices signaling support for EPP’s position that state-compelled disclosure of nonprofit donors unconstitutionally chills free speech and association. EPP advanced similar arguments in *Buckeye Institute v. IRS* before the Sixth Circuit, challenging federal requirements that would mandate disclosure of nonprofit donors. Both cases remain pending, with the potential to set a national precedent that protects the anonymity of citizens supporting causes and restores the foundational right to private association.

We also continued our fight against discriminatory DEI mandates in the private and public sectors, filing appellate briefs in the Ninth and Third Circuits for *Joshua Diemert v. City of Seattle and De Piero v. Pennsylvania State University*. In both cases, EPP argued that mandatory “anti-racist” trainings that disparage employees based on their race create unlawfully hostile work environments, challenging the lower courts to apply Title VII equally to all Americans.

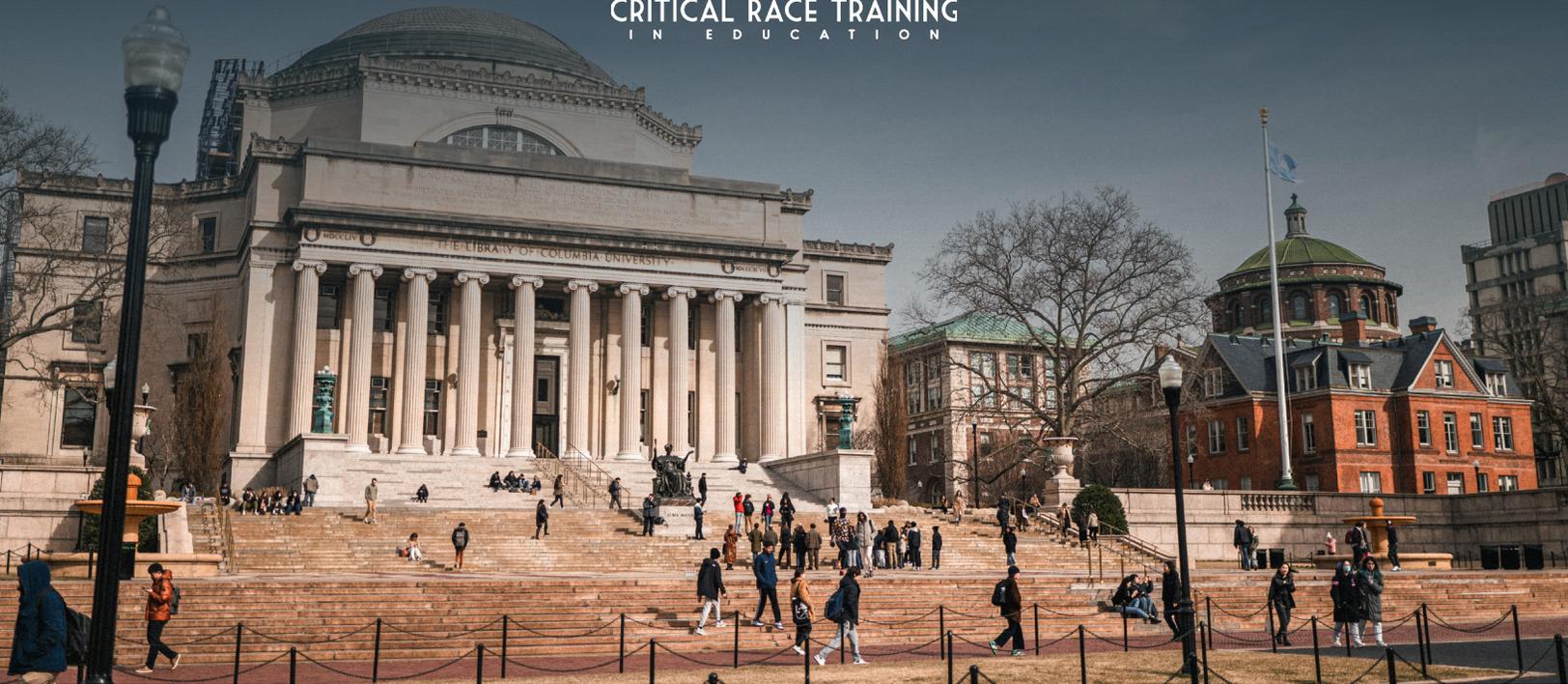
As we enter 2026, the focus shifts to the resolution of several high-stakes federal actions initiated over the past year. In March 2025, OCR opened formal investigations into Ithaca College’s racially exclusive scholarship programs and the University of Minnesota’s “BIPOC Design Justice Initiative.” These probes—triggered by EPP complaints—are set to provide critical clarity on the limits of race-based eligibility under Title VI.



Simultaneously, EPP’s challenge to six race-based alumni scholarships at the University of San Diego remains under federal review. This serves as a pivotal test case for extending *SFFA* principles to private university financial aid, ensuring that federal non-discrimination mandates are applied consistently across all institutions receiving public funds. The final determinations in these cases will be instrumental in defining the future of Title VI compliance and securing a nationwide return to race-neutral standards.



CRITICAL RACE TRAINING
IN EDUCATION



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Using Data to Hold Academic Institutions Accountable

Launched in 2021, CriticalRace.org addresses the void in public understanding of how Critical Race Theory (CRT), DEI, and related ideological frameworks have reshaped American education. From an initial 220 schools, the project has evolved into the nation's most comprehensive database of race-centric programming, now covering over 700 institutions—including elite medical and business schools, military academies, and veterinary programs.

What distinguishes CriticalRace.org is a commitment to transparency through a meticulous, data-driven methodology that

moves beyond opinion to aggregate an institution's own words, policies, and directives. By documenting this ecosystem—from mandatory bias-reporting systems to race-restricted scholarships—we cut through bureaucratic euphemisms and reveal what these initiatives actually do.

Over time, clear patterns have emerged from this data, demonstrating that these initiatives are not isolated or organic developments, but coordinated frameworks replicated across higher education. We see this in near-identical training regimes and medical school anti-racism protocols woven into

curricula, clinical evaluations, and professional advancement. This structural view reveals that CRT and DEI have moved beyond academic debate to become de facto governance systems, imposing new expectations on hiring, funding, admissions, and even student discipline. Ultimately, CriticalRace.org empowers parents, students, and policymakers to look past the rhetoric and hold these institutions accountable to the law and the public they serve.

2025 marked a major expansion for CriticalRace.org. Through a combination of direct research, monitoring, and user-submitted leads, the database broadened significantly in both depth and breadth.

MEDIA

New guide helps parents protect kids against 'woke' ideologies in schools

Anti-CRT website unveils new 'roadmap' for concerned parents to take action

By **Kristine Parks** · Fox News

Published January 7, 2025 5:00am EST

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The screenshot shows a Fox News broadcast with four panelists seated around a table. The lower third of the screen displays the text: '2024 IN REVIEW', 'THE BACKLASH AGAINST WOKE POLITICS & POLICIES', and 'JOURNAL EDITORIAL REPORT'. The Fox News Channel logo is visible in the bottom left corner.

This momentum culminated in our expansion into the medical field, where we documented all 155 accredited U.S. medical schools. The findings were striking: from mandatory anti-racism curricula to DEI-embedded clinical requirements, medical education has embraced ideological frame-



The video thumbnail features the 'LI' logo for Legal Insurrection at the top. The main title is 'VIDEO: Reports of the Death of DEI are Greatly Exaggerated'. Below the title, it says 'Reports of the Death of DEI are Greatly Exaggerated' and 'An online virtual event 12:30 PM ET, Wednesday, February 19'. Two speakers are shown in circular frames: William Jacobson and Kimberlee Kaye. At the bottom, it states 'Attendance is always free, but pre-registration is required'.

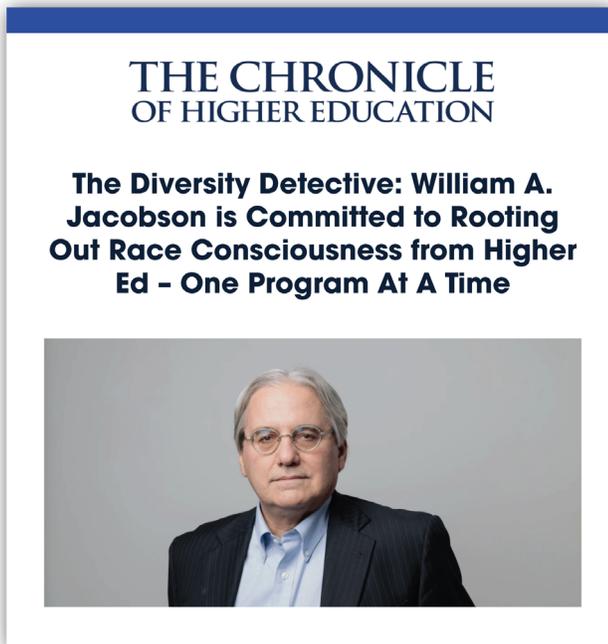
works at a scale comparable to humanities departments.

Additionally, the site expanded beyond traditional academic departments to include certificate programs, highlighting how ideological mandates increasingly shape credentialing pipelines. This confirmed what many have long suspected: ideological training has moved beyond the classroom and into the institutions shaping America's workforce.

These metrics reflect increasing national interest in transparent, verifiable information about CRT and DEI—not filtered through PR departments but presented plainly in the organizations' own words.

In the media realm, CriticalRace.org has become a go-to resource for journalists reporting on DEI and CRT developments across the country. Reporters rely on the database not only for documentation but for patterns of behavior that might otherwise be missed when examining a single school.

In 2025, our research fueled high-profile coverage in major publications, including the *New York Post*, *Fox News*, and *The Chronicle of Higher Education*.



Critically, our media engagement has produced measurable downstream effects. Following several major stories, universities quietly removed claims from their websites, altered DEI language, or clarified that previously advertised “requirements” were merely “recommendations.” In other cases, schools softened ideological statements or removed material that conflicted with federal civil rights law.

This cycle—exposure, public awareness, institutional response—is a core driver of LIF’s mission.

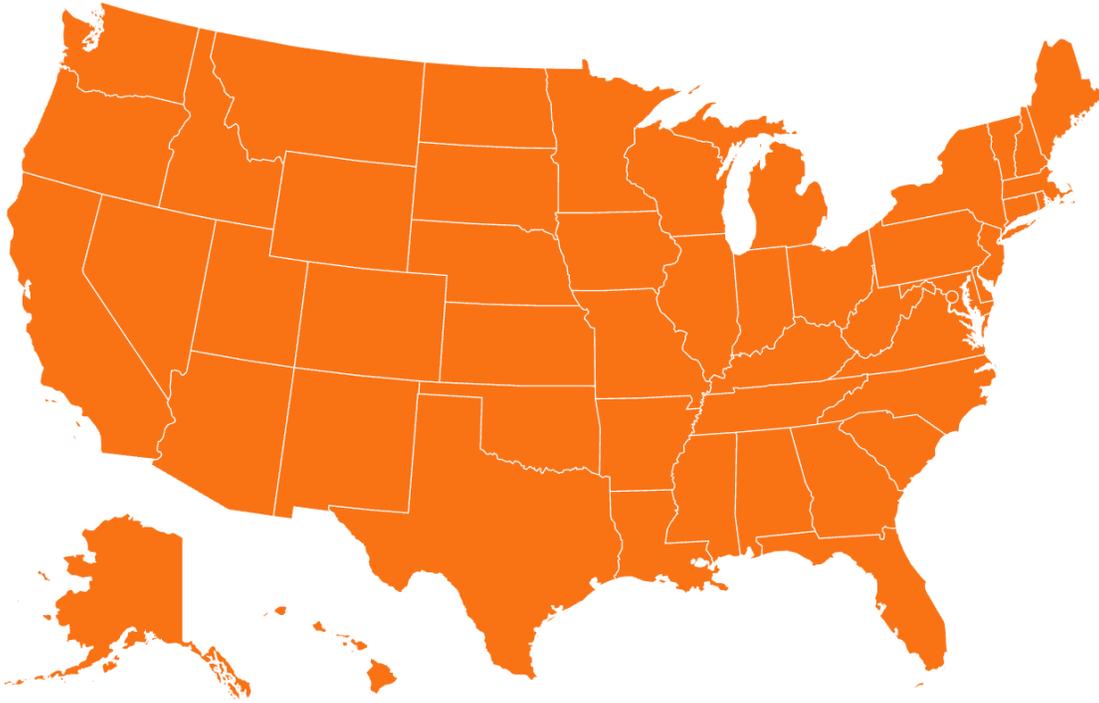
To accelerate this process, LIF expanded its operational reach with the launch of the **DEI Unmasking Project**, a strategic initiative

that moved beyond baseline documentation to reveal how discriminatory programs are being shielded from public and legal scrutiny. By analyzing the manipulation of bureaucratic language, we exposed how universities utilized “rebranding”—renaming DEI offices to terms like “Access and Opportunity”—to evade anti-discrimination laws while maintaining exclusionary programming. Through this work, we provided the public and policymakers with the objective evidence needed to look past these cosmetic changes, hold institutions accountable to Title VI, and ensure that civil rights protections are applied to all students.

In 2025, we also hired several new staff members and reorganized our internal operations. This allowed us to operate more efficiently, scale up our efforts, and better serve our core mission.

Looking ahead, we have five new reports set to be released—more in-depth and comprehensive than anything we’ve published to date. In 2026 and beyond, CriticalRace.org will continue expanding its research footprint, digging deeper into DEI/CRT programs and identifying emerging areas where ideology is shaping policy, training, and access to opportunity. We anticipate more extensive inquiry into professional programs, medical and scientific training pathways, and other sectors where ideological pressure increasingly affects competence, fairness, and civil rights.

**CRITICALRACE.ORG - A POWERFUL RESOURCE
FOR PARENTS AND STUDENTS**



1,000+
UPDATES
IN 2025



700+
INTERACTIVE
MAPS COVERING
INSTITUTIONS
NATIONWIDE



155+
MEDICAL
SCHOOLS



50
TOP ELITE K-12
SCHOOLS



185+
MEDIA LINKS TO
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LEGAL INSURRECTION

A Conservative News Website Read By Millions

Legalinsurrection.com remains our primary platform for public engagement—a platform where investigative reporting, legal analysis, and cultural commentary converge to expose wrongdoing and drive accountability. While LIF’s legal and research initiatives often begin behind the scenes, Legalinsurrection.com ensures that those findings reach the public, policymakers, journalists, and institutional leaders, transforming documentation into real-world consequences.

In many cases, the site’s reporting uncovers documents, policies, and institutional practices that later form the factual founda-

tion for Equal Protection Project complaints, federal investigations, or litigation. A premier example in 2025 was our coverage of the “Deering Meadow Agreement” and other racially exclusive “protest concessions.” This reporting created a feedback loop of public scrutiny that ultimately led to Northwestern University’s historic \$75 million federal settlement and the total rescission of its discriminatory protest policies.

Beyond specific cases, Legalinsurrection.com has become a leading chronicler of the crisis on American campuses. As antisemitism surged following October 7, we docu-



Antisemitic 'venom' infecting campuses gets worse as universities play 'rope-a-dope' with Trump admin: expert



mented administrative double standards and the moral inversion of DEI frameworks. This coverage did not exist in a vacuum; it informed congressional inquiries and forced university presidents to answer for their failures in the national spotlight.

Washington Examiner

Supreme Court hears reverse discrimination case with implications for DEI



By connecting campus events to broader ideological movements—including anti-Western and decolonization frameworks—Legalinsurrection.com helped readers understand that antisemitism was not an anomaly, but part of a larger cultural pattern.

Our work is frequently cited by national media, policymakers, and legal advocates precisely because it combines original sourcing with rigorous analysis. Together with EPP

BREITBART

Exclusive — University of South Carolina Racially Discriminates Through Minority Scholarships, Lawsuit Alleges



and CriticalRace.org, Legalinsurrection.com ensures that no discriminatory program, no ideological mandate, and no abuse of power can operate in the shadows.

Legalinsurrection.com Top Stories 2025



Trump's Merit-Based DEI Executive Order Is A Sledgehammer

Trump's Executive Orders on Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion (DEI) dominated the opening days of his second presidency. Shortly after his inauguration, he released an executive order targeting DEI practices in the private sector and higher education, and directed the Office of Management and Budget to produce a report within 120 days identifying major violators for potential further action. Professor Jacobson addressed the potential impact in a video commentary piece, explaining why it was a clear signal that President Trump was serious about fighting back against DEI.



Trump Drops the Big One on Harvard, Asks IRS to Revoke Their Tax-Exempt Status

In April 2025, Legalinsurrection.com provided sustained reporting on President Trump's confrontation with Harvard over its DEI programming. After taking office, the Trump administration required Harvard to eliminate DEI and antisemitic programming in order to receive federal funding. Harvard refused to comply, prompting President Trump to threaten revocation of the university's tax-exempt status. Although Harvard's tax status has remained intact, the Trump administration did freeze billions in federal funding, triggering an ongoing legal battle.



Sotomayor Had To Explain The Law To KBJ Like She Was A 5th Grader

In July, our team analyzed the negative reaction by the 6-3 majority to Justice Ketanji Brown Jackson's dissent in the birthright citizenship (aka "universal injunction") Supreme Court case. Her dissent included several instances of informal language, a recurring pattern that we've referred to as KJB'isms.

Six Justices termed her dissent "at odds with more than two centuries' worth of precedent, not to mention the Constitution itself." As Professor Jacobson noted during an appearance on The Jesse Kelly Show, "What's really astounding is that none of the other eight Justices, including two liberal Justices, really don't seem to have a lot of respect for Justice Jackson."



Report Estimates Anti-Israel Protests Have Cost the U.S. Over a Billion Dollars

A new report quantified the financial toll of the anti-Israel protests that erupted after Hamas's October 7 terrorist attack. Legalinsurrection.com has extensively chronicled the decline of the American university at the hands of radical activists dedicated to the destruction of Israel—and ultimately Western Civilization. This report put a dollar amount on the true costs of allowing this toxic movement to proliferate on campuses and in our society.



Alleged Discrimination Against Israeli Student By Anti-Zionist Cornell Prof. Eric Cheyfitz Warrants Federal Investigation

Professor Eric Cheyfitz is a longtime radical anti-Israel activist and Cornell faculty member that our team has been covering for several years. In September 2025, Cheyfitz allegedly took things too far after reportedly attempting to exclude an Israeli student from his class on Gaza.

After a review, Cornell determined that Cheyfitz had engaged in discrimination, and reached a settlement in which he opted to retire. Tensions remained high after faculty circulated a petition criticizing Cornell's response, and the Israeli student's name and military background were leaked to national media outlets.



Green Meltdown: Trump's Second Term Breaks the Back of Climate Activism

In September, we published a post analyzing how President Trump's team fulfilled their promise to dismantle the Green New Deal and the radical climate change agenda of the Biden administration. Energy Secretary Wright's team clawed back funds distributed to climate groups, halted wind farm projects, and rescinded the destructive "endangerment finding," which classified carbon dioxide as a pollutant. In its place, the administration implemented a reasonable national climate assessment that included rational risk assessments and economic impact considerations.

LIF Media Impact

Recognizing the importance of winning the PR battles in the war against DEI, LIF prioritizes maximizing our media exposure. In 2025, our projects generated significant earned media coverage in a wide range of broadcast, print, and digital publications.

The fact that leading national media outlets cite our research, quote our staff, and publish our op-eds and responses, demonstrates LIF's growing national reputation as a trusted source.

Expanding our media reach will continue to be a key LIF objective. Below are several topline stats which show our impact.

Since our inception in February 2023 we've generated:



375+
**UNIQUE
BROADCAST
HITS**



1,275+
**TOTAL
BROADCAST
HITS**



4,885+
**PRINT/DIGITAL
MEDIA HITS**



45,000+
**DAILY NEWSLETTER
SUBSCRIBERS**



3+ Million
**PEOPLE REACHED
VIA WEBSITES AND
EARNED MEDIA PER
MONTH**

2025 Media Mentions

LIF's projects received mentions from a wide variety of media outlets in 2025.

USA TODAY

The Supreme Court just made it easier for White workers to sue for bias. Here's why.

The New York Times

Trump Administration Targets Financial Relief for Undocumented Students

NEW YORK POST

The end is near for on-the-job reverse discrimination — another blow to DEI



Harvard May Win The Funding Battle, But Lose The War With Trump

The Washington Times

Half of U.S. medical schools flouting Trump DEI ban; rating report finds revolt of 67



Trump's first 100 days target diversity policies, civil rights protections

The Washington Post

An Off Base Characterization



Trump's first 100 days target diversity policies, civil rights protections

DAILY WIRE +

EXCLUSIVE: Seattle University Hit With Federal Complaint Over Costco-Backed DEI Scholarship



NEWSMAX

DEI Under Another Name Is Not Reform

THE WALL STREET JOURNAL.

Why the DACA Scholarships Deserve Scrutiny

The Boston Globe

It's Sending a Chilling Effect: Trump's Order on Critical Race Theory thrusts White House into the Classroom



LEGAL INSURRECTION FOUNDATION

Looking Ahead: A New LIF Project to Expose Intersectionality and Other Toxic Ideologies in Academia

In recent years, it has become abundantly clear that the challenges we confront are not isolated disputes over campus policy or administrative overreach. They are part of a broader cultural struggle that seeks to delegitimize the foundational principles of Western civilization itself: individual liberty, equal protection under the law, and merit-based opportunity.

Across education, government and business, ideological movements once confined to academic theory now shape real-world outcomes. Under the banners of “equity,”

“decolonization,” and “intersectionality,” institutions are advancing a worldview that divides Americans by race, sex, and identity; treats Western history as something to be dismantled rather than defended; and replaces objective standards with ideological litmus tests. The results are increasingly visible: discrimination justified as justice, censorship framed as safety, and antisemitism excused as activism.

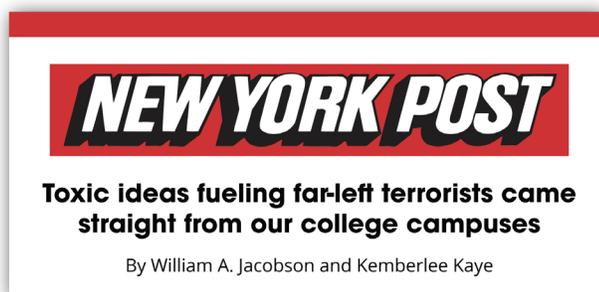
In 2025, LIF met these challenges head-on. Through litigation, civil rights complaints, investigative research, and public advocacy,

we demonstrated that the law still matters—and that determined, strategic action can force even powerful institutions to change course. But the scope and sophistication of the ideological infrastructure we face make clear that this work must continue and expand.

We're looking to take advantage of this important moment, and in 2026 we plan on rapidly expanding our existing efforts through a major initiative that will tackle one of the most malignant elements of woke-ness.

In the coming year, LIF will deepen its focus on identifying and confronting the intellectual frameworks that fuel discriminatory and anti-Western movements through our **Intersectionality Project**. Launched in October 2025, this initiative will demonstrate that campus antisemitism and anti-Americanism is the predictable outgrowth of an “oppressor-oppressed” binary that frames Western nations as illegitimate and Jewish voices as “privileged.”

The importance of this project can't be overstated. As we discussed in an op-ed published in the *NY Post* by Professor Jacobson and Managing Director Kemberlee Kaye,



this toxic ideology has already migrated beyond campus protests and into society.

An example is Turtle Island Liberation Front—a left-wing terror group rooted in intersectionalist ideology—which planned to deploy “weapons of mass destruction” against tech companies and other targets. While thankfully they were stopped before they could execute their plans, next time we may not be so lucky.

LIF will continue to expand the Equal Protection Project’s litigation efforts, with particular attention to professional schools, faculty programs, and scholarship schemes that evade compliance by rebranding discriminatory practices. We will also broaden our research footprint through CriticalRace.org, tracking how institutions respond to mounting legal pressure—whether through genuine reform or cosmetic changes designed to avoid accountability.

Finally, we will remain vigilant in the courts; amicus briefs, strategic litigation, and administrative advocacy continue to serve as the primary tools for enforcing civil rights law and countering well-funded leftist movements in academia and corporate boardrooms across America.

Your support fueled federal investigations, national media exposure, and concrete policy reforms at dozens of organizations. None of this is self-sustaining; it requires the unique independence and expertise that your partnership in 2026 and beyond will help us maintain. As we look to the challenges on the horizon, we invite you to continue standing with us—ensuring that discrimination is challenged, truth is documented, and the principles of equal protection and the rule of law endure.



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