



Diversity & Inclusion

Black Lawyers Affinity Group

A Culture. A Commitment. A Way of Life.

The Black Lawyers' affinity group was established to advance and advocate for the recruitment, retention, and development of the firm's Black Lawyers. The group works to grow and develop a broader network of relationships within the firm through events aimed at sharing issues concerning Black lawyers. The group also works to inspire positive, powerful, and perpetual change at Steptoe, in the legal profession, and in the world for Black lawyers by creating and improving relationships with firm, legal, business, and government leaders, and by securing leadership positions at Steptoe and in key organizations.

Recent Events

- Hosted a Black History Month presentation with Bernice Bennet, a research genealogist specializing in African ancestry.
- Held a screening of the Academy-Award nominated film "I Am Not Your Negro" and a discussion with the film's director. Held a viewing of the docuseries "April Uprising: DC After Martin Luther King's Assassination" followed by a discussion with Maurice Jackson, a professor at Georgetown University, who appears in the film.
- Attended an outing at the National Museum of African American History and Culture where attendees experienced the only national museum devoted exclusively to the documentation of African American life, history, and culture.
- Hosted a book discussion with James Forman, Jr., author of "Locking Up Our Own: Crime and Punishment in Black America" and a leading critic of mass incarceration and its disproportionate impact on people of color.