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Statement of the Tarrant County Bar Association in conjunction with the State Bar of Texas Board of Directors Special Meeting (July 27, 2020)

“A time comes when silence is betrayal.”¹ (Dr. Martin Luther King)

The Tarrant County Bar Association condemns racism, discrimination, social injustice, and cultural insensitivity in every form.

The Tarrant County Bar Association supports the joint statement of the [State Bar of Texas and Texas Young Lawyers Association](#) released earlier last week addressing statements made by State Bar President Larry McDougal regarding #BlackLivesMatter. The Tarrant County Bar Association pledges to do its part to advance the goals of diversity and inclusion and equal justice under the law.

Now is a time for action, and the Tarrant County Bar Association is actively working to encourage and increase conversation, education, and growth. These steps include monthly discussions to encourage diversity and discourage discriminatory and insensitive conduct. The Tarrant County Bar Association supports the mission statement of the State Bar of Texas and the many bar staff members and volunteers who are each doing their part to make Texas a better, more inclusive place for all people.

¹ Dr. Martin Luther King quoted this portion of a statement by the Executive Committee of Riverside Church on April 4, 1967 at Riverside Church, New York City.