



DISABILITY RIGHTS

NEW YORK

New York's Protection & Advocacy System and Client Assistance Program

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Contact: Forest Cotten
518-603-0684

Federal Court Ruled LSAT Test Provider Discriminated Against People with Disabilities

Albany, NY – March 21, 2018 – Last year, DRNY signed on as Amici for a case against the Law School Admission Council (LSAC) to ensure they provided Law School Admissions Test (LSAT) testing accommodations for people with disabilities. LSAC is the only company that administers the LSAT, which is required for most law school admissions. On March 5, 2018, the Court found that LSAC violated a 2014 Consent Decree, by routinely denying testing accommodations and flagging test scores of people with disabilities when scores were sent to law schools. The Court ordered two more years of court monitoring.

“Our profession is strengthened by diversity and we must not ever tolerate this type of blatant discrimination. This important ruling is a critical step towards increasing the representation of people with disabilities in the legal profession,” said Tim Clune, DRNY Exec. Dir.

Read Court Order: <http://bit.ly/2HM01BZ>

DRNY is the designated independent non-profit Protection & Advocacy System empowered by Congress to investigate allegations of abuse and neglect and provide legal and non-legal advocacy services to people with disabilities in New York State. The Protection & Advocacy System was created by Congress as a direct result of the horrific conditions that were uncovered in the 1970's at New York's Willowbrook State School.

###

DRNY is supported by the U.S. Department of Health & Human Services, Administration on Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities; Center for Mental Health Services, Substance Abuse & Mental Health Services Administration; U.S. Department of Education, Rehabilitation Services Administration; and, the Social Security Administration. This press release does not represent the views, positions or policies of, or the endorsements by, any of these federal agencies.