



# DISABILITY RIGHTS NEW YORK

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

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### **DRNY Files Class Action Lawsuit Over Inaccessible Dollar General Stores**

*Albany, NY – May 15, 2018* – Today, Disability Rights New York (DRNY) filed a class action suit against the Dollar General Corporation for failing to make their New York stores accessible to people with mobility disabilities. Jennifer Rossman, a wheelchair user, wants to shop at her Dollar General store. However, large stocking carts, cardboard displays and merchandise stacked in aisles and outside the store's entrance prevented her from shopping. Jennifer is not alone. DRNY found similar problems in 75 other New York Dollar General stores.

*“When your stores are inaccessible, it is not just a bad business decision, it is against the law,” said Tim Clune, DRNY Exec. Dir.*

Read DRNY's Class Action Suit: <http://bit.ly/2Ihocoh>

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.

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