



PUBLIC DEFENDERS

DIVERSITY, EQUITY, AND INCLUSION AT DPA

MISSION STATEMENT

To carry out the DPA’s mission of providing high-quality legal defense for our clients by creating a diverse, equitable, accessible, and inclusive environment at all levels. We will achieve this mission through diversifying hiring practices, building culturally competent office communities, and continuing the fight for justice for all indigent clients throughout the Commonwealth of Kentucky. *(Adopted May 2022)*



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