

## Volunteers: Working Group for Reclamation and Fulfillment of the Freedmen Legacy™



The Coalition of Concerned Freedmen™ is seeking individuals and small groups with experience in legislative outreach, judicial advocacy, and education of elected officials to join a working group that helps implement grassroots efforts to reinvigorate the American Freedmen legacy through public messaging and legal actions. By joining the **Working Group for Reclamation and Fulfillment of the Freedmen Legacy™**, \* volunteers can help us meet the aim of cultivating a vanguard of cross-generational leaders who will educate stakeholders and achieve delivery on the unique obligations owed to the American Freedmen. According to the framers of the Constitution, Freedmen are the Black Americans who were emancipated from U.S. chattel slavery, and their descendants—and we recognize the unique injuries suffered by the collective of descendants of [free U.S. Negroes](#), emancipated U.S. slaves, and reclassified Aboriginal Blacks (including those removed from tribes).

After a footprint of over 250 years in the United States, much of legislative actions, judicial decisions, and executive orders designed to improve outcomes for Freedmen descendants have been maldistributed to others, weakened, and/or have fallen out of favor by pressures from new and longstanding forces of resistance. The diligence of volunteers with expertise in the legislative, judicial, and executive branches of government at federal, state, and local levels will help achieve tangible equity for the American Freedmen by regular offensive/defensive action. We are inviting regular folk and committed professionals with experience in the field of advocacy to join a brain trust that 1). creates action plans rooted in existing judicial/legislative/executive precedents and 2). executes those plans, with fidelity and effectiveness.

*\* This is a private, citizen-led voluntary association of active civil society volunteers.*

Working group activities may include:

- Identifying relevant stakeholders
- Researching advocacy actions
- Connecting with and activating political powerbrokers
- Legislative outreach
- Communications; phone, email, letter writing, video conference
- Mentoring & coaching new advocates
- Influencing supporters to sign onto awareness petitions and mobilization efforts
- Collaboration with advocates across economic levels, educational attainment, political party lines

*Skills and Experience sought for this working group of volunteers:*

- **Education:** Bachelor's or advanced degree with preference given for American History, Black/African American Studies, Political Science, Public Policy, Legal Research, Economics, Law and/or related social science.
- **Lived Experience:** Firsthand lived experience with and/or academic understanding of the historical trajectory of the Freedmen human and civil rights legacy.
- **Skills:** Must be an effective written and verbal communicator, proficient with social media, and possess comprehensive desktop skills. Ability to work in diverse topic-specific teams.
- **Location:** Remote; U.S. based

**Join the Coalition's brain trust!**

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