MESSAGE FROM LEADERSHIP

This year we asked: What can we accomplish if we raise our voices for justice? We challenged ourselves to get loud, be heard, and make a difference for victims. The community rose to the challenge! The impact we can have together is exemplified in this case.

In 2016, nearly four years after Lizzi Marriott, a young college student, was brutally strangled, murdered and raped, her family was still fighting for her rights. The New Hampshire Supreme Court ruled that the legal provisions that protected Lizzi’s privacy at trial would not apply during the appeal. This meant that documents discussing allegations of her prior sexual activity would become public. The community got loud in response to this injustice! Together with partners, NCVLI intervened on behalf of the family and began an unprecedented fight for the victims’ rights. The court ruled in the victims’ favor, holding that the records would remain sealed. But neither Lizzi’s family nor the community were done. This past spring, thanks to amazing ongoing advocacy on the ground in New Hampshire, the state legislature enacted a law strengthening the state’s rape shield law to ensure no other victim will endure the same treatment.

This is what we accomplished when we raised our voices for justice. In these pages we highlight other moments from the year. Thank you for joining us and getting loud for victims!

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The quality of the information provided was outstanding. The individuals involved were extremely helpful & I appreciate how they genuinely care about the provision of assistance, . . . Can’t imagine doing this without them.”

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More than 1,300 Hours by Law Students

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- Searchable Membership Database
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Thank you for gathering and growing the group of advocates and attorneys willing to take on this noble venture.”

Survivor

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Attorney

Our Range and Key Rights Protected

DIGNITY:
A domestic violence victim’s unavailability at trial does not require impossibility of presence

ACCESS:
Trafficking victims’ lawsuit should move forward because victims deserve to be heard

FAIRNESS:
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PRIVACY:
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