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## Lateefah Williams and Trayon White Join Office of the Attorney General's Community Outreach Team

*Longtime Community Leaders to Help Newly Independent OAG Connect with Residents*

**WASHINGTON, D.C.** – Attorney General Karl A. Racine announced today that he has named two experienced D.C. community leaders, Lateefah Williams and Trayon White, to join the Office of the Attorney General's (OAG) Community Outreach Team.

**"Both Lateefah Williams and Trayon White have successful experience reaching out to District residents from a wide array of backgrounds – including those from communities that too often are marginalized or overlooked,"** Attorney General Racine said. **"They will help OAG move into a new era of connecting the public with our office's assistance and expertise as we serve the best interests of all residents of the District of Columbia."**

The two are working as OAG Community Development Specialists, focusing on outreach, engagement and education for several different organizations and communities. They will work in coordination with OAG Community Outreach Director Robert White and other OAG staff. Focus communities and issues for Ms. Williams will include engagement with labor and LGBT groups, while focus communities and issues for Mr. White will include engagement with hard-to-reach youth and young people, groups focused on juvenile justice, fighting synthetic drugs, and communities east of the Anacostia River.

Ms. Williams, who previously ran for Attorney General and worked on Attorney General Racine's Transition Team, holds a bachelor's degree in English *magna cum laude* from North Carolina Central University in Durham, N.C.; and a J.D. from Georgetown University Law Center. She has done campaign work in communications and LGBT outreach for At-Large Councilmember Anita Bonds, and she also has experience doing legislative and policy work for labor groups and government watchdog organizations. She is a Ward 5 resident.

Mr. White, who most recently ran in a special election to replace late Ward 8 Councilmember Marion Barry, also served from 2011 to 2014 as the Ward 8 representative on the State Board of Education. He holds a bachelor's degree in business administration *magna cum laude* from the University of Maryland Eastern Shore

in Princess Anne, Md., and has done coursework toward a graduate degree in business from Southeastern University in the District. He has extensive experience designing and administering programs for at-risk youth, including helping manage a youth-outreach program for the District's Department of Parks and Recreation. He also served as the Executive Director of Helping Inner City Kids Succeed, Inc., which coordinated programs for young people in Wards 7 and 8. He is a Ward 8 resident.

Both positions are temporary appointments, lasting until Fiscal Year 2015 ends on September 30.

Responding to the newly public-facing nature of his office, Attorney General Racine launched OAG's community-outreach efforts earlier this year. They have included community meetings on issues like synthetic drugs, education for seniors on consumer-protection issues, outreach to students in the District on preventing violence, and programs and resources to help homeowners and home buyers protect themselves from those who would defraud them.

More information on OAG's community-outreach efforts is available here: <http://oag.dc.gov/release/attorney-general-racine-launches-community-outreach-meeting-seniors-housing-affordability>.

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