

Legal Advocacy Fund

During its first 26 years, the AAUW Legal Advocacy Fund offered plaintiff support to people fighting sex discrimination in higher education through financial assistance and outreach for their cases. This year, LAF is shifting away from direct support of plaintiffs, as we know it. Instead LAF plans to focus its direct case support strategically, seeking cases that have a potential for all women, not just in academia, which aligns more closely with the Value Promise.

LAF's new focus on strategic litigation and working in collaboration with civil and women's rights organizations has strong potential for establishing precedent of making significant contributions to advancing equity or reducing discriminatory workplace practices for all women and girls.

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