



## CCD 2022 Rights Task Force Annual Report

### 1. Brief Task Force Description or Mission Statement

The Rights Task Force advocates on a wide variety of matters involving the human and civil rights of individuals with disabilities through an equity lens. The Task Force's vision is driven by a commitment to diversity, equity, inclusion, and social justice, as well as the four key goals for people with disabilities set forth in the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA): equality of opportunity, full participation, independent living, and economic self-sufficiency. Through our work, we are committed to assuring that the Civil Rights Act of 1964, the ADA, and other civil rights protections set forth in law and court decisions are interpreted and enforced in a robust manner to secure the equal rights and opportunities of Black, Indigenous, People of Color (BIPOC) disabled people, LGBTQ+ disabled people, people living with HIV, and all other individuals with disabilities. The Task Force is committed to advocating for the human and civil rights of people with disabilities with multiple statuses or who are multiply marginalized.

### 2. Three Issues the Task Force Worked on in 2022

- Regulatory strengthening to promote implementation and enforcement of rights within the context of website accessibility, Section 504 and 508 of the Rehabilitation Act, and ACA Section 1557, among others
- Advancing disability and racial justice within the context of crisis response and the roll-out of 988
- Promoting federal and rights-focused reforms in the area of adult guardianship and conservatorship, with a focus on advancing alternatives to overbroad or overly restrictive protective arrangements

### 3. Three Issues the Task Force Anticipates Working on in 2023

- Continue to promote implementation and enforcement of rights within the context of website accessibility, Section 504 and 508 of the Rehabilitation Act, and ACA Section 1557, among others

- Continue to urge the identification and confirmation of federal administration and judicial nominees that include representation of diverse candidates with disabilities
- Promoting federal and rights-focused reforms in the areas of adult guardianship/conservatorship, with a focus on advancing alternatives to overbroad or overly restrictive protective arrangements.

4. Task Force Meeting Day of the Month and Meeting Time (eastern)

Third Thursday, 1:30 PM

5. Task Force Co-Chairs

Claudia Center, Disability Rights Education & Defense Fund  
Stephen Lieberman, United Spinal Association  
R. Larkin Taylor-Parker, Autistic Self Advocacy Network  
Morgan K. Whitlatch, Center for Public Representation