

BJRI LAWFUL CONDUCT PROPORTIONALITY AND RESPONSIBLE INSTITUTIONAL BEHAVIOUR FRAMEWORK

BLACK JUSTICE RESEARCH INSTITUTE

Lawful Conduct and Institutional Responsibility Framework

1. PURPOSE

The purpose of this framework is to establish the lawful conduct, proportionality, safeguarding, evidential discipline, and responsible institutional behaviour principles governing the activities of the Black Justice Research Institute ("BJRI").

The Institute recognises that long-term institutional credibility depends substantially upon lawful conduct, procedural fairness, safeguarding seriousness, and responsible governance practices.

2. CORE INSTITUTIONAL PRINCIPLES

The Institute supports:

- lawful conduct,
- proportionality,
- safeguarding awareness,
- evidential discipline,
- procedural fairness,
- analytical restraint,
- and responsible institutional behaviour.

The Institute rejects:

- harassment,
- intimidation,
- coercive conduct,
- inflammatory escalation,
- ideological extremism,
- and reckless institutional practices.

3. PROPORTIONALITY PRINCIPLES

Institutional activity associated with the Institute should remain proportionate, evidence-based, procedurally fair, and consistent with lawful conduct obligations.

The Institute recognises that proportionality is necessary to support:

- safeguarding,
- public confidence,
- institutional legitimacy,
- and reduction of unnecessary escalation risks.

4. EVIDENTIAL DISCIPLINE

The Institute distinguishes between:

- verified fact,
- allegation,
- disputed claim,
- reported experience,
- hypothesis,
- perception,
- and speculation.

Institutional communications and research activity should therefore avoid presenting allegation or speculation as verified fact without appropriate evidential foundation.

5. SAFEGUARDING RESPONSIBILITIES

The Institute recognises safeguarding obligations within:

- governance activity,
- research practices,
- publication activity,
- digital conduct,
- and public communications.

Institutional activity should therefore avoid:

- unsafe escalation behaviour,

- harassment campaigns,
- inflammatory communication practices,
- coercive manipulation,
- and reckless publication behaviour.

6. RESPONSIBLE INSTITUTIONAL CONDUCT

The Institute supports:

- careful communication standards,
- procedural fairness,
- transparency where reasonably appropriate,
- safeguarding seriousness,
- and responsible governance practices.

The Institute recognises that responsible institutional conduct is necessary to support public trust and evidential credibility.

7. PUBLIC COMMUNICATION STANDARDS

Public communications associated with the Institute should support:

- analytical restraint,
- evidential clarity,
- lawful conduct,
- safeguarding awareness,
- and responsible discussion standards.

The Institute rejects inflammatory rhetoric, manipulative communication practices, and reckless escalation behaviour.

8. INSTITUTIONAL ACCOUNTABILITY

The Institute recognises that institutional accountability depends substantially upon:

- transparency,
- safeguarding seriousness,
- evidential discipline,
- lawful conduct,
- proportionality,

- and responsible institutional governance.

9. CONCLUSION

The Institute's lawful conduct and proportionality framework is grounded in evidential discipline, safeguarding awareness, procedural fairness, lawful conduct, analytical restraint, and responsible institutional behaviour.

The Institute supports calm, evidence-based, proportionate, and procedurally fair institutional practices consistent with long-term institutional credibility.