

To the Honorable Senator Winfield, the Honorable Representative Stafstrom, and distinguished members of the Joint Committee on Judiciary:

My name is Mike Stockman and I am a member of Asylum Hill Congregational Church in Hartford.

I am writing in support of the Judiciary Committee bill for Clean Slate.

I am a white man living in West Hartford and despite that, I am not afraid of a strong Clean Slate bill.

We need to make it easier to be positive, active members of our communities without the undue burden of having to repay the hand up that receiving assistance provides.

I have been involved with workforce training and have witnessed numerous situations where the undue burden of reaping these assistances have restricted our students and prevented them from moving on and up as they pursue the same dreams and aspirations as the rest of us, This benefits all of us and is the right thing to do.

Please pass the Clean Slate Bill

Thank you.

Mike Stockman