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***Statement in Response to NYC District Attorneys' Position on Discovery Reform
Budget Negotiations***

(NEW YORK, NY) – The Legal Aid Society issued the following statement in response to New York City District Attorneys' [position](#) on discovery reform budget negotiations:

“As we’ve said since day one, funding for both public defender and District Attorney offices is the true solution, not rollbacks, to ensure that New York’s landmark discovery law can live up to its full intended promise. We’ll continue to work with Governor Kathy Hochul and the Legislature on a path forward that keeps these critical laws intact, measures that have brought more fairness to our criminal legal system and furthered public safety statewide.”

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