

## ACNA is prioritizing REPRESENTATION

After Ketanji Brown Jackson was nominated to the Supreme Court CNN ran a beautiful pictorial piece.

The tone of these stories coincide with ACNA's drive towards diverse representation, equity and inclusivity, as well as how you can help ACNA diversify our committees right now.

Here are some excerpts from the CNN piece:

“After witnessing the election of the first Black president and then the first Black and first female vice president, it is truly extraordinary as a Black woman to now bear witness to the first Black woman being confirmed to the US Supreme Court. These things seemed almost inconceivable in my youth, and now they are a reality”

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16 year-old Samiya A. Williams attended a Ketanji Brown Jackson supportive rally on the steps of the Supreme Court organized by Black women-led groups. Here's what she wrote and read aloud to our newest member of the Supreme Court at that rally:

“I see myself in you. I appreciate that you have a name that people must take their time to pronounce. I appreciate the tight coils in your locks that rhyme with mine, in my braids.

<https://www.cnn.com/interactive/2022/04/politics/ketanji-brown-jackson-reactions-cnnphotos/>

Young Williams concludes “My dreams have just gotten so much bigger, it seems like overnight.”

If you have ever felt marginalized, underrepresented or just plain anxious about dreaming big about being an American Cannabis Nurse leader, here is your chance to shine.

In honor of spring (new beginnings!) and the cannabis national holiday 4/20, ACNA is having a committee membership drive. We want ACNA leadership to be fully diverse

and inclusive by 2023. Here is your chance to help us help you on your path to ACNA leadership.

Committees vetting new members include credentialing, membership, finance, education, research and nominations. We are prioritizing historically underrepresented voices at this time.

You must email the executive committee [info@cannabisnurses.org](mailto:info@cannabisnurses.org) with your interest.