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Good afternoon all,

On Friday afternoon, the Acting Provost, the Vice-President (Equity & Inclusion), and the Chair of Senate circulated a memo on #scholarstrike. We have spent the weekend considering how the Law School might respond to this recent development.

Following the lead of some other Dalhousie faculties, we would like to suggest that each member of the Law School community (faculty, staff and students) “do one thing” on September 9 and 10 in response to the #scholarstrike call to action. The Scholar Strike Canada website (<https://scholarstrikecanada.ca/>) includes a list of possible actions and has a number of teach-in sessions scheduled for these two days (<https://scholarstrikecanada.ca/schedule/>).

In addition to these events, we would like to particularly encourage everyone to watch the documentary *There is Something in the Water*, which can be watched on Netflix (if you have access). This is an analysis of how systemic racism has impacted both the African Nova Scotian and Indigenous communities in our province.

As the message from the Provost *et al* suggests, some faculty members may choose to incorporate teach-ins in their class-time or step away from normal teaching/administrative activities to teach students and others about racialized violence. We respect and support such engagements with on-going activities aimed at responding to systemic racism in Canada and beyond.

Sincerely,

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