

## Written Testimony for Special Commission on Qualified Immunity.

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Please consider this written testimony for The Special Commission on Qualified Immunity in Massachusetts.

Police officers act like laws don't apply to them. Because of qualified immunity, they don't. If you've ever wondered why police officers don't seem to care about your rights or the Constitution, qualified immunity is why.

All government officials are expected to hold themselves to a higher standard. We, the people, expect the police to operate at a higher standard. Qualified immunity is not something that should exist.

Government officials, specifically the police, should have no concern about qualified immunity if they don't infringe on citizens rights. If a government official deprives a citizen of their rights, the citizen should have recourse against the official.

Please make our communities safer.

Please end qualified immunity.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Take care,

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