Who is Jeffery Robinson?

Jeffery Robinson is the executive director of The Who We Are Project. Until April 2021, Robinson was an ACLU deputy legal director and the director of the ACLU Trone Center for Justice and Equality, which houses the organization’s work on criminal justice, racial justice, and reform issues. Since graduating from Harvard Law School in 1981, Jeff has three decades of experience working on these issues. For seven years, he represented indigent clients in state court at The Defender Association and then in federal court at the Federal Public Defender’s Office, both in Seattle.

What is his latest project?

The Who We Are Project works to challenge the dominant narrative of our nation’s founding, demonstrating how slavery’s legacy has led to persistent and abiding racial inequality, and promoting education, discourse, and change. Its goals are to expose the role of anti-Black racism and the myth of white supremacy throughout history up to the present, activate American to learn and share history, and inspire the next generation of citizen-historians, truth-seekers, and activists.

How can you prepare?

- Watch Jeffery Robinson’s documentary on Netflix.
- Read Robinson’s article on the removal of Confederate statues and criminal justice reform in the US.
- Read about the effort to remove Confederate statues in Jacksonville here, here, and here.

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