

A.R.T. Statement on the Current Political Statement

The Archivists Round Table of Metropolitan New York, Inc. (A.R.T.) is comprised of individuals who recognize the importance of equality, diversity, and inclusion both in our profession and in our communities. We believe regardless of our various social and political opinions, we can come together, democratically, as an inclusive and informed citizenry ensuring a core value that rejects any acts of hate, discrimination, and intimidation.

A.R.T. strongly opposes any executive orders, regulations, bills and legislation that limits access to information, undermines preservation of government records, compromises privacy rights and confidentiality, and discriminates or persecutes individuals or groups.

It is the mission of A.R.T. to be a unifying voice and to report on local, state, national, and international issues that impact archives and archivists. We will continue to stay informed of relevant policies and legislation, and to provide resources and knowledge that can be used to strengthen the archival community, its repositories, and the public at large.

Sincerely,

The Board of the Archivists Round Table of Metropolitan New York, Inc.

(Sent April 11, 2017)