



### ***What Does Justice Look Like?***

Published in the context of the sesquicentennial celebration of Minnesota statehood, *What Does Justice Look Like?* makes the case that the historical treatment of the Dakota amounts to genocide and ethnic cleansing. Waziyatawin writes, “This volume relays the history of genocide, ethnic cleansing, land theft, and brutal colonization in Minnesota while also offering a vision for how these historical harms might be addressed through an aggressive strategy of truth-telling, reparations, and decolonization. It calls on Dakota people to imagine the possibility of a liberated future and at the same time challenges the current occupiers of Dakota homeland to work toward justice as a way to not only make amends to Dakota people, but also to help ensure their own future survival.” The book advocates for the establishment of reparative justice to return Dakota land and reverse colonialism.

*What Does Justice Look Like?* received the 2009 Independent Publishers Regional Book Award for Best Regional Nonfiction in the Midwest and was selected by Native American Calling, a national Indigenous radio show in the United States, as their October 2008 Book of the Month. The book can be purchased online at <http://www.livingjusticepress.org/>

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