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“RACIALIZATION AND SOCIAL MOVEMENT ARENAS IN THE BLACK LIVES MOVEMENT.”

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In this presentation, I will outline racial changes in an Albany, New York-based social movement organization that I call “Action for Police Reform.” I argue that the racial changes that the organization underwent, and the ensuing formation of a Black Lives Matter chapter, demonstrate how social movement arenas (Jasper 2021) may, in part, undergo racial change.

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George Weddington (PhD, Sociology - University of Pittsburgh) is a postdoctoral researcher working at the intersection of Black studies and sociology with a focus on organizational sociology, race, and social movements. Using historical and ethnographic methods, he studies 20th and 21st century social movements that strive toward racial justice as well as movements that work maintain racial domination in the United States. His current research is on the trajectory of the Black Lives Movement from 2012 to 2020 to uncover local dynamics of racial ideological formation and its relationship to social movement organization and strategy. His future research will turn to Black resistance to lynching and anti-black mob violence in the 1900s.

