



DEFENSE OF MARRIAGE ACT:

A Symposium on Federalism and Interstate
Recognition of Same-Sex Relationships

MARCH 19-20, 2010

This symposium brings together legal experts with a variety of perspectives to discuss the federalism and “full faith and credit” issues concerning inter-jurisdictional recognition of same-sex couples’ relationships under the Defense of Marriage Act, passed by Congress in 1996.

FRIDAY, MARCH 19

1:00 – 2:00 pm	DOMA and Litigation
2:00 – 3:00 pm	DOMA: A Constitutional Overview
3:00 – 3:15 pm	Break
3:15 – 4:15 pm	DOMA and the Problem of Constitutionally Adequate Justifications
4:15 – 5:15 pm	DOMA and Conflicts of Law
5:15 – 6:15 pm	Reception

SATURDAY, MARCH 20

9:00 – 10:00 am	DOMA and Families
10:00 – 10:15 am	Break
10:15 – 11:15 am	DOMA and Families
11:15 am	Adjourn

REGISTRATION

This is a free, public symposium. There is no registration required. Seating is limited.

LOCATION

California Western School of Law, 350 Cedar Street, San Diego, CA 92101

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DOMA and Litigation 1:00 – 2:00 pm

Mary Bonauto, *Gay & Lesbian Advocates & Defenders*
Won rulings in Vermont (civil union) and Massachusetts (marriage) granting rights for same-sex couples; Vice-Chair of ABA Sexual Orientation and Gender Identity Committee

Monte Neil Stewart, *Belnap Law PLLC*
Founder and president of Marriage Law Foundation; Author of *Judicial Redefinition of Marriage* and numerous articles on the constitutionality of man-woman marriage

DOMA: A Constitutional Overview 2:00 – 3:00 pm

Mark D. Rosen, *Chicago-Kent College of Law*
Teaches constitutional law and conflict of laws; Scholarship explores institutions created and recognized by the Constitution and federalism

W. Sherman Rogers, *Howard University School of Law*
Teaches conflict of laws and Federal Courts; Involved in numerous cases before the U.S. Supreme Court; Scholarship explores the vulnerability of DOMA

Break 3:00 – 3:15 pm

DOMA and the Problem of Constitutionally Adequate Justifications 3:15 – 4:15 pm

Gary Simson, *Case Western Reserve University*
Teaches conflict-of-laws, freedom of religion, and constitutional law; Author of articles on same-sex marriage

Andrew Koppelman, *Northwestern University*
Scholarship focuses on intersection of law and political philosophy; Author of *The Gay Rights Question in Contemporary American Law* and *Same Sex, Different States*

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DOMA and Conflicts of Law 4:15 – 5:15 pm

Lynn Wardle, *J. Reuben Clark Law School at Brigham Young University*
Teaches and writes in family law, comparative family law, and conflict of laws; Former president and secretary-general of the International Society of Family Law

Hillel Levin, *University of Georgia School of Law*
Research focuses on judicial processes and conflict of laws; Presents equality-based argument in favor of same-sex marriage

Reception 5:15 – 6:15 pm

SATURDAY, MARCH 20

DOMA and Families 9:00 – 10:00 am

L. Lynn Hogue, *Georgia State University*
Teaches Constitutional law, conflict of laws, and American constitutional history; Author of *Conflict of Laws in Georgia*

Barbara J. Cox, *California Western School of Law*
Written numerous articles on interstate recognition of same-sex relationships, adoption, and marriage; Co-chair of Steering Committee of Freedom to Marry

Break 10:00 – 10:15 am

DOMA and Families 10:15 – 11:15 am

Mark Strasser, *Capital University Law School*
Scholarship focuses on families of sexual minorities; Author of *On Same-Sex Marriage, Civil Unions, and the Rule of Law*

Rhonda Wasserman, *University of Pittsburgh School of Law*
Teaches conflict of law and adoption law; Authored award-winning article *Are You Still My Mother?: Interstate Recognition of Adoptions by Gays and Lesbians*

Adjourn 11:15 am