



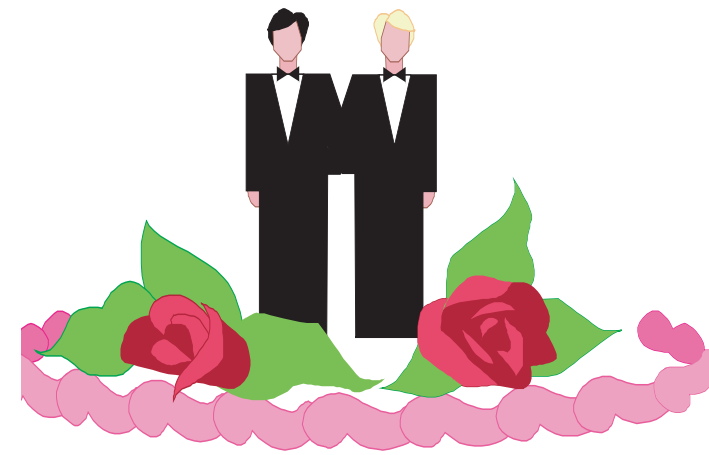
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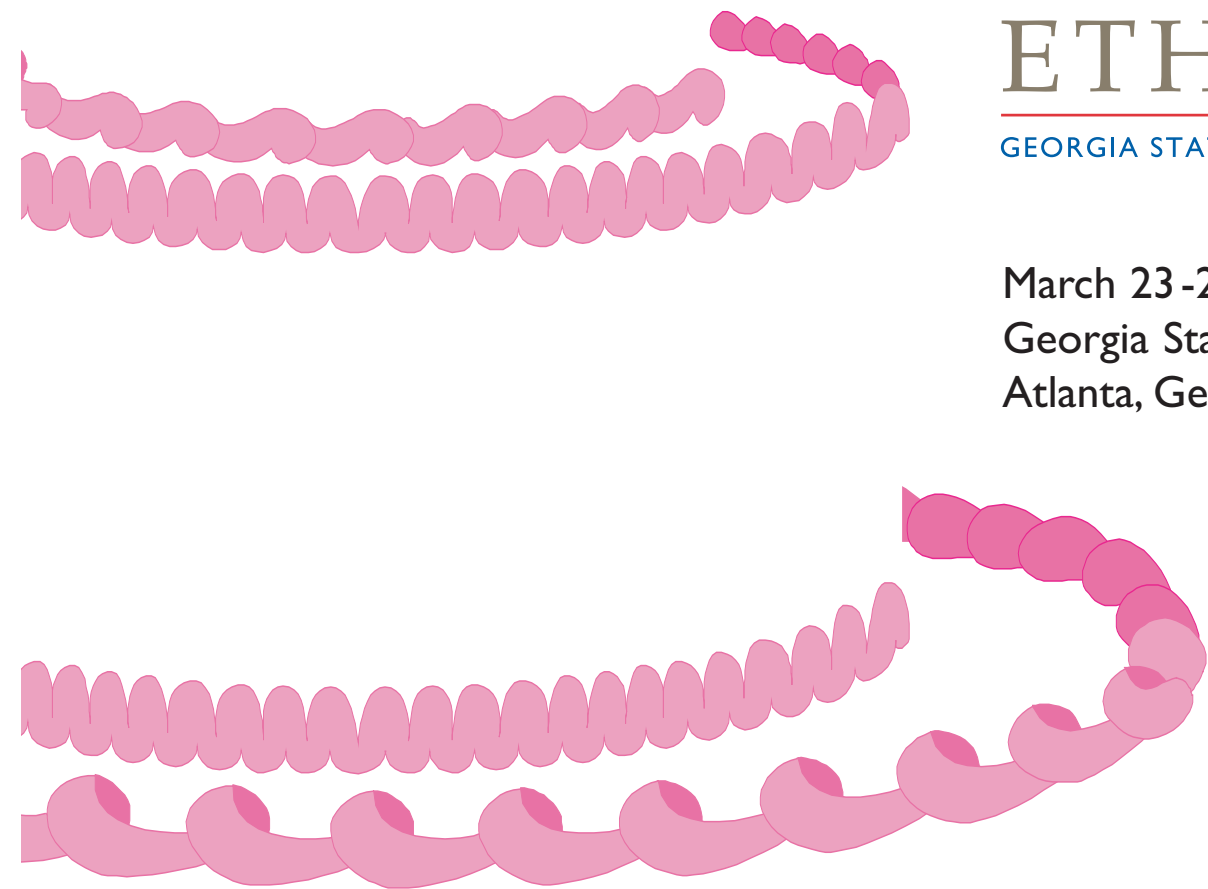
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SAME-SEX MARRIAGE SYMPOSIUM



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SAME-SEX MARRIAGE AND THE LAW

Co-sponsored by the College of Law
12-1 p.m., March 23 (Tues.) College of Law, 100 Urban Life Bldg.

Clark Cunningham, W. Lee Burge Professor of Law and Ethics in the College of Law at Georgia State University, is a widely cited expert on the lawyer-client relationship. He currently directs the Effective Lawyer-Client Communication Project (<http://law.gsu.edu/Communication>), an international collaboration of law teachers, lawyers, and social scientists. Cunningham also publishes on a variety of other topics with an emphasis on interdisciplinary and comparative scholarship. He is a leading American scholar on the legal system of India and has consulted around the world on reform in legal education. He has been a visiting scholar at the Indian Law Institute, Sichuan University (China), the University of Sydney (Australia), University of Palermo (Argentina), and the National Law School of India. He has been an active public interest lawyer, legal aid lawyer, and civil rights litigator prior to his academic career.

L. Lynn Hogue is a professor in the College of Law at Georgia State University and executive director of the Southeastern Legal Foundation in Atlanta, a public interest law firm. Hogue earned a Ph.D. from the University of Tennessee in 1972 and a J.D. from Duke University Law School in 1974. He teaches courses on constitutional law, conflict of laws, and constitutional history. He

has argued cases before the Georgia Supreme Court, the 11th Circuit Court of Appeals, and lower federal and state courts. Professor Hogue is the co-author of *Military Law in a Nutshell* (3rd ed., Thomson/West, 2003), a treatise on conflict of laws in Georgia. He has had published numerous articles on constitutional law and conflict of laws, including a 1998 article in the *Creighton Law Review* on same-sex marriage. He retired with the rank of lieutenant colonel from the United States Army Reserve Judge Advocate General's Corps in the fall of 2000 after 21 years of service.

Ellen Taylor is an associate professor in the College of Law at Georgia State University. An Atlanta native, she received her bachelor's degree from Manhattan School of Music in 1974 and her J.D. from Emory University School of Law in 1986. She teaches contracts, corporations, and other business law subjects. Prior to her academic career, Taylor practiced at an Atlanta law firm specializing in corporate and securities law. Taylor is also an accomplished musician, having performed professionally on both keyboards and the trumpet. As a lesbian mother of two, she has a personal interest in, and strong opinions about, the topic of gay marriage.

for Southwestern Christian University. He and his wife of 36 years, Lois, are founders of the Fellowship of Prayer International Church located in south Atlanta. According to Dr. Goode, "Our vision and mission center around educating children and youth from Pre-K through graduate school to become great citizens for the Kingdom of God."

Rabbi Joshua Lesser, M.H. L. of Congregation Bet Haverim, graduated with honors from the Reconstructionist Rabbinical College in 1999. Committed to fostering understanding and building

bridges, Rabbi Lesser is a frequent public speaker. He is currently involved in working with rabbis, Jewish communal workers, and health professionals in reevaluating the Jewish communal social services systems in North America. For the past three years, Rabbi Lesser has taught rabbinical students how to create welcoming communities for gay, lesbian, bisexual, and transgender Jews. His areas of expertise include service leadership, contemporary ritual and liturgy, youth education, and pastoral care. A social activist, Rabbi Lesser is passionately committed to AIDS education; gay and lesbian civil rights; and the full recognition, inclusion, and support of the mentally and physically disabled. Rabbi Lesser, a vegetarian, loves to cook and is a voracious reader and movie fan. He lives in Atlanta with his cat and two dogs.

The Reverend Canon Gray Temple has been Rector of St. Patrick's Episcopal Church in Atlanta since 1975. He has written, lectured, and debated extensively about the sacramental status of gay and lesbian Episcopalians and, by extension, others. Temple graduated from the University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, and Virginia Theological Seminary. He is the author of *Gospel*

Opportunity or Gospel Threat?: The Church's Debate on Sexuality, with Louie Crew, Peter Lee, Diane Knippers, and James Stanton (Church Publishing, 1998) and *Molten Soul: Dangers and Opportunities in Religious Conversion* (Church Publishing, 2000). Temple and his wife, Jean, have two children and one grandchild.

B. Wiley Stephens has served the Dunwoody United Methodist Church since 1990. He earned an A.B.J. from the University of Georgia in 1963, a B.D. from the Candler School of Theology at Emory in 1965, and a D. Min. from McCormick Theological Seminary in 1979. He is the vice chair of Conference Finance and Administration, and chair of the advisory board of the World Methodist Institute for Evangelism. He serves on the board of advisory trustees of the Wesleyan School and has been a member of the faculty of the course of study at the Candler School of Theology for the past 14 years. He is a Methodist preacher on *Day One* (Protestant Radio Hour). He has served as vice chair of the board of Health and Welfare Ministries. Stephens and his wife of 40 years, Linda, have two children, Berry and Kelley, both of whom are married. Berry is in the Armed Services and is now in Kuwait.

SAME-SEX MARRIAGE: ETHICS AND PUBLIC POLICY

Co-sponsored by the Women's Studies Institute
4:30-6 p.m., March 24 (Wed.), 465 University Center

John Corvino teaches philosophy at Wayne State University in Detroit, Michigan. He is the editor of *Same Sex: Debating the Ethics, Science, and Culture of Homosexuality* (Rowman and Littlefield, 1997). His articles on homosexuality have appeared in *The Gay and Lesbian Review Worldwide*, the online "Independent Gay Forum" (www.indegayforum.org), and various anthologies, including *Do We Need Minority Rights?*, *Ethics in Practice*, and *The Philosophy of Sex*. He is also a regular columnist for the gay press. A popular teacher, he has lectured around the country for over a decade on homosexuality and ethics.

Randy Hicks is president of the Georgia Family Council (GFC), a non-partisan organization dedicated to strengthening marriages and families in the state of Georgia. Through its work with community leaders, lawmakers, and the media, GFC is executing an innovative strategy to reduce Georgia's statewide divorce rate by 35 percent by 2012. Hicks regularly speaks on family issues for local and national media outlets. Prior to join-

ing GFC, he worked with *Focus on the Family* to create and nurture state-based family advocacy organizations in 11 states. He also spent four years as a field representative, principal speechwriter, and liaison for a California senator. Hicks earned a B.A. from the University of Southern California and an M.A. from the Talbot School of Theology at Biola University. Hicks and his wife, Marilyn, reside in Suwanee, Georgia. They have three young children: two daughters, Madison and Jessica, and a son, Carson.

Juliana Kubala teaches Interdisciplinary Humanities at Clark-Atlanta University and Women's Studies at Georgia State University, including courses in queer theory and activism. Kubala earned a Ph.D. in Interdisciplinary Liberal Arts from Emory University. Her research interests include queer studies, feminist theory, cultural/literary criticism, and autobiography. In her spare time, Kubala works on direct action politics, supports activist arts communities, and creates her own version of family.

SAME-SEX MARRIAGE AND RELIGION

Co-sponsored by the Program in Religious Studies
3-4:30 p.m., March 24 (Wed.) 465 University Center

Richard A. Goode is an associate professor and chair of the Department of Urban Studies at the Beulah Heights Bible College. Dr. Goode earned a B.A. from West Virginia University, an M.Div. from Wesley Theological Seminary, a D.D. from Church of God Southern California School of Ministry, a D. Min. from the Union Institute, and has a Ph.D. from the University of South Africa. He has been with Beulah Heights for ten years, and teaches courses in Christian diplomacy and international relations, the urban church, the Gospel and urban youth, substance abuse and prevention ministry, and other topics. Goode is also adjunct faculty in missions