

Same-sex Marriage Pro And Con

The Limits to Union - Jonathan Goldberg-Hiller 2004-07-20

Revised and updated to include the most current information on same-sex marriage, *The Limits to Union* documents a legal struggle at its moment of greatest historical importance. "The Limits to Union is a superb book about the complexities of recent political struggles over same-sex marriage. Goldberg-Hiller offers a sophisticated account of egalitarian rights advocacy and the reaction it has generated from established majorities animated by a 'new common sense' of exclusionary sovereign authority. The author's analysis is multidimensional and nuanced, but the core argument is bold, important, and well-supported. I recommend it very highly to everyone interested in understanding the character, possibilities, and constraints of civil rights amid our contemporary culture wars." -Michael McCann, author of *Rights at Work: Pay Equity Reform and the Politics of Legal Mobilization* "In this excellent book, Goldberg-Hiller uses Hawaii's experience to examine the interaction between courts and the political system. . . . Relying on briefs, legislative statements, and interviews with activists from both sides of the question, he views this familiar debate . . . through the unfamiliar prism of gay marriage, which allows him to gauge the viability and the pliability of the American civil rights ideal, and how gay and lesbian issues fit (or don't fit) within that ideal." -William Heinzen, *New York Law Journal* "Goldberg-Hiller presents the history of the same-sex marriage question since it first sparked debate in Hawaii. He follows the shifting debate through court cases, state propositions, and state and federal legislatures, considering questions about the constitutionality of the Defense of Marriage Act and the concept of equal protection under the law for gays and lesbians. This detailed treatment of the legal issues surrounding same-sex marriages is highly recommended." -R. L. Abbott, University of Evansville "[A] valuable contribution to the field, situating the gay marriage debate in broader contexts of theory, law and practice. [S]ame-sex marriage is an important issue...that finds itself caught in the friction points of much larger debates over the nature of rights, the limits of sovereignty and the proper role of courts and law in a democratic society. *The Limits to Union* should therefore be of interest even to those who do not think of themselves as interested in gay and lesbian rights issues." -Evan Gerstmann, Loyola Marymount University, Law and Politics Book Review

Same Sex Marriage - Mistress Dede 2015-01-08

The legality of same sex marriage in the United States is a contentious subject. In the past few years, the pro-marriage side has made a lot of progress, with the same-sex marriage states now numbering 35. The same-sex marriage debate polarizes opinion, and both sides have many supporters in the U.S. The same sex marriage debate generally rests on the balance between traditional family roles and freedom of expression. Same sex marriage arguments generally are founded on basic disagreements about the way the world works, making it a contentious issue. With homosexuality increasingly accepted in the United States, same sex marriage is a key issue in the 21st century, and is gathering steam as a social movement. Being informed about the developments in same sex marriage and having an opinion on its legality is pivotal to current events knowledge.

Gay Marriage: for Better Or for Worse? - William N. Eskridge, Jr. 2006-06-18

"Gay Marriage: For Better or for Worse? is the first book to present empirical evidence about the effects of same-sex marriage, based on almost two decades' worth of data and experience from the Nordic countries. Darren R. Spedale and William N. Eskridge, Jr. look at how same-sex marriage (in the form of registered partnerships) came to be in Scandinavia; who is getting married and why they are tying the knot; the Church's reception to same-sex unions; and how same-sex marriage has affected the couples, their families, their children, and their greater communities, both nationally and internationally."--BOOK JACKET.

Virtually Normal - Andrew Sullivan 1995

An unprecedented work from the brilliant young editor of *The New Republic*--who is celebrated also as an incisive defender of the equality of homosexuals--*Virtually Normal* is an impassioned, reasoned, subtle, and uncompromising political and moral treatise that will set the terms of the homosexuality debate for the foreseeable future.

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The Meaning of Matrimony - Brenda Almond 2013

At the start of 2013 the Coalition Government presented to Parliament the Marriage (Same Sex Couples) Bill, which legislates to open up marriage to same-sex couples. In the words of Maria Miller, Secretary of State responsible for the Bill and author of the introduction, it has since progressed against a backdrop of 'strong feelings on all sides'.

Same-sex Marriage, Pro and Con - Andrew Sullivan 1997

Were homosexual unions sanctioned by societies before our own? Does the Constitution implicitly grant homosexuals the right to marry? From Plato to Pope John Paul II and from William Bennett to Melissa Etheridge from 2,000 years' of argument here is a collection of opinions, pro and con, on one of the most explosive issues of our time.

When Gay People Get Married - M. V. Lee Badgett 2010-11

"..Badgett offers a rare look at how gay marriage is actually working, by taking readers to a land where it has been legal for same-sex couples to marry since 2001: the Netherlands. Through interviews with married gay couples we learn about the often surprising changes to their relationships, and the reactions of their families and work colleagues. Moreover, Badgett shows how the institution itself has been altered, exploring how the concept of marriage itself has changed in the United States and the Netherlands." "The evidence from around the world shows both that marriage changes gay people more than gay people change marriage and that it is the most liberal countries and states making the first moves to recognize gay couples. In the end, Badgett demonstrates that allowing gay couples to marry does not destroy the institution of marriage and that many gay couples do benefit, in expected as well as surprising ways, from the legal, social, and political rights that the institution offers."--From publisher description.

Same-Sex Marriage - Kathleen Hull 2006-02-16

Kathleen Hull provides an exploration of the cultural practices around same-sex marriage, as well as the legal battle for recognition. She shows how couples use marriage-related cultural practices, such as public commitment rituals, to assert the reality of their commitments despite lack of legal recognition.

What Is Marriage? - Sherif Girgis 2020-07-21

Until very recently, no society had seen marriage as anything other than a conjugal partnership: a male-female union. *What Is Marriage?* identifies and defends the reasons for this historic consensus and shows why redefining civil marriage as something other than the conjugal union of husband and wife is a mistake. Originally published in the *Harvard Journal of Law and Public Policy*, this book's core argument quickly became the year's most widely read essay on the most prominent scholarly network in the social sciences. Since then, it has been cited and debated by scholars and activists throughout the world as the most formidable defense of the tradition ever written. Now revamped, expanded, and vastly enhanced, *What Is Marriage?* stands poised to meet its moment as few books of this generation have. Sherif Girgis, Ryan T. Anderson, and Robert P. George offer a devastating critique of the idea that equality requires redefining marriage. They show why both sides must first answer the question of what marriage really is. They defend the principle that marriage, as a comprehensive union of mind and body ordered to family life, unites a man and a woman as husband and wife, and they document the social value of applying this principle in law. Most compellingly, they show that those who embrace same-sex civil marriage leave no firm ground—none—for not recognizing every relationship describable in polite English, including polyamorous sexual unions, and that enshrining their view would further erode the norms of marriage, and hence the common good. Finally, *What Is Marriage?* decisively answers common objections: that the historic view is rooted in bigotry, like laws forbidding interracial marriage; that it is callous to people's needs; that it can't show the harm of recognizing same-sex couplings or the point of recognizing infertile ones; and that it treats a mere "social construct" as if it were natural or an unreasoned religious view as if it were rational.

Considerations Regarding Proposals to Give Legal Recognition to Unions Between Homosexual Persons - Catholic Church. Congregatio pro Doctrina Fidei 2003

Same-sex Marriage Debate - Justin Healey 2013

Same-sex marriages are currently not permitted under Australian federal law. Although same-sex couples in a de facto relationship have had most of the legal rights of married couples since July 2009, there is however no national registered partnership or civil union scheme.

Debating Same-Sex Marriage - John Corvino 2012-06

This volume presents both sides of the debate over whether same-sex marriage should be legalized.

Same-Sex Marriage - Tricia Andryszewski 2011-10-01

This book examines the history of the gay rights movement in the United States And The struggle for equal protection under the law, including the right for same-sex couples to marry. it provides the opinions and perspectives of leaders, activists, politicians, and ordinary Americans on both sides of the issue.

Gay Marriage - ViewCaps 2013-03-07

Gay Marriage. That single phrase is enough to spark a passionate debate from either side. It's hard to form a view one way or another when there is so much heated opinion for or against it. The ViewCaps Pros and Cons series takes a step back and looks at the issue objectively. It lays out only the facts and let's you decide what opinion to take. ViewCaps is an imprint of BookCaps(TM) Study Guides. With each book, a issue is objectively analyzed. We publish a wide array of topics (from baseball and music to science and philosophy), so check our growing catalogue regularly to see our newest books.

The Brides of March - Beren DeMotier 2007

The bride was covered in cracker crumbs, but didn't care. The Brides of March drove mini-vans, paid taxes, bought braces, and joined the PTA, never expecting the phone call in March, 2004, that would send them leaping through the suddenly opened window of same-sex marriage, with their kids along for the raucous ride. The Brides of March is a bride's eye view of same-sex marriage at a moment's notice, with a bevy of brides, their coterie of children, donuts, newspaper reporters, screaming protesters, mothers of the brides who never thought they'd see the day, white wedding cake, and a houseful of happy heterosexuals toasting the marriage. But that was only the beginning as these private declarations of love became public fodder, fueling social commentary, letters to the editor, and the fires of political debate, when all the brides wanted was the opportunity to say "I do" in this candid, poignant, and frequently funny tale of lesbian moms getting to the church on time in Multnomah County. "DeMotier opens your eyes to the heart and soul of this generation's civil rights battle." - Diane M. Linn, former Multnomah County Chair ". a beautifully-written, quirky look at the pros and cons of same-sex marriage from the inside out, smart without being preachy, funny without being bitter, emotional without being maudlin." -Anne Mini, Ph.D.

Gay Marriage - Jonathan Rauch 2005-02-01

A leading Washington journalist argues that gay marriage is the best way

to preserve and protect society's most essential institution Two people meet and fall in love. They get married, they become upstanding members of their community, they care for each other when one falls ill, they grow old together. What's wrong with this picture? Nothing, says Jonathan Rauch, and that's the point. If the two people are of the same sex, why should this chain of events be any less desirable? Marriage is more than a bond between individuals; it also links them to the community at large. Excluding some people from the prospect of marriage not only is harmful to them, but is also corrosive of the institution itself. The controversy over gay marriage has reached a critical point in American political life as liberals and conservatives have begun to mobilize around this issue, pro and con. But no one has come forward with a compelling, comprehensive, and readable case for gay marriage-until now. Jonathan Rauch, one of our most original and incisive social commentators, has written a clear and honest manifesto explaining why gay marriage is important-even crucial-to the health of marriage in America today. Rauch grounds his argument in commonsense, mainstream values and confronting the social conservatives on their own turf. Gay marriage, he shows, is a "win-win-win" for strengthening the bonds that tie us together and for remaining true to our national heritage of fairness and humaneness toward all.

The Future of Marriage - David Blankenhorn 2007-11-01

The idea of this book began in a conversation David Blankenhorn had with the president of Freedom to Marry, a group advocating equal marriage rights for same-sex couples. This man asked Blankenhorn, a leading figure in the "marriage movement," to endorse his group's objectives. Feeling a bit defensive, Blankenhorn replied, "Every child deserves a mother and a father." The Future of Marriage is the result of that conversation. In their current demands, Blankenhorn points out, gay and lesbian leaders are not asking for marriage with an adjective in front of it, but marriage itself. So in that sense, what marriage is and why it matters is ultimately what this debate is all about. What exactly is this institution to which gay and lesbian activists are seeking access? Why do we have it in the first place? Where did it come from? What is it for? How is it changing? These are some of the hard questions The Future of Marriage confronts. David Blankenhorn says that if same sex marriage debate is to be "redemptive rather than merely divisive," it must accept the principle that all persons are equal in dignity. But it must also help us to rediscover and renew marriage as the main protector of our children and our primary social institution.

Marriage - Rebecca Stefoff 2007

Focuses on the pros and cons of marriage in the United States--including covenant marriages, same-sex unions, and the effect of divorce on kids--through personal stories, opinions, and scholarly studies. Provides a historical look at marriage and includes

Same-sex Marriage in the United States - Sean Cahill 2004

The rhetoric and emotion surrounding the same-sex marriage debate tends to obscure the facts and figures. Tracing the development of same-sex marriage in the United States and its deployment as a political tool, Sean Cahill lays out the current situation in plain language and explains what's at stake.

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