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## Challenges Mainstream Gay-Rights Perspective

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"Homosexuality: Truth Be Told"

In a rare demonstration of unstinting support for the traditional model of the family, a law review has been published which offers principled legal scholarship challenging gay activism.

"There is a dearth of legal scholarship being published that critiques homosexual rights," said David Mundy, editor in chief of the *Regent University Law Review*. "Since a debate necessarily entails the presentation of both sides, this issue is dedicated to voicing the traditional, conservative side of the debate—a side that has been silenced in academia by misguided political correctness and the power of the gay rights lobby."

"Homosexuality: Truth be Told" contains articles by scholars and researchers that were originally slated to appear in the *Stanford Law & Policy Review*, but were subsequently rejected at the last minute due to their challenging nature, according to Mundy.

The articles are written from a wide perspective by authors from the fields of in clinical psychology, psychiatry, marketing, politics, and the law.

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### Articles in the Issue:

"Fairness, Accuracy and Honesty in Discussing Homosexuality and Marriage," by Lynne Kohm & Mark A. Yarhouse, is an introduction to this issue. It explains the link between the social-science literature and the law.

"Studies of Homosexual Parenting: A Critical Review," by George Rekers & Mark Kilgus, describes the weaknesses in the leading social-science studies on homosexual parenting—studies which are relied upon by courts, legislators, and lawyers in advocating changes in our laws that relate to the adoption of children.

"Crafting Bi/Homosexual Youth," by Judith Reisman, critiques the work of sexologists and sex educators, and details the effect that the media and gay-rights organizations have in influencing sexually-questioning youth to experiment with homosexuality or to self-identify as gay.

"Child Molestation and the Homosexual Movement," by Steve Baldwin, addresses issues such as the international effort within the gay movement to lower or remove age-of-consent laws, and the campaign to marginalize and defund the Boy Scouts of America.

"Selling Homosexuality to America," by Paul Rondeau, explores how gay-rights activists use rhetoric, psychology, social psychology, and the media—the elements of modern marketing—to position homosexuality favorably in the debate about social change.

"Homosexuality: Innate and Immutable?" by Dean Byrd & Stony Olsen, challenges the research that purports to show that homosexuality is biologically determined.

"Why NARTH? The American Psychiatric Association's Destructive and Blind Pursuit of Political Correctness," by Ben Kaufman, describes the political influence of gay-rights activists in the APA's decision to redefine homosexuality, and the way this decision has been utilized in the promotion of gay-rights objectives.

"Gay Orthodoxy and Academic Heresy," by Ty Clevenger, reveals the controversy behind the Stanford Law & Public Policy Review's refusal to publish materials that question or criticize orthodox gay-rights views.

"Defending Marriage: A Litigation Strategy to Oppose Same-sex 'Marriage'" by Dale Schowengerdt, suggests strategies that may be used by those who support the traditional view of marriage.

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