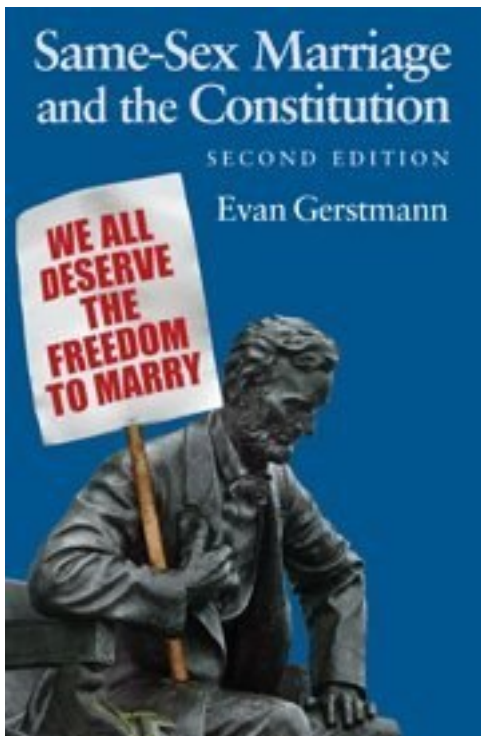


Same-sex Marriage and the Constitution



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Following the widely reviewed success of the first edition, the updated and expanded second edition of *Same-Sex Marriage and the Constitution* argues that there is a long-standing constitutional protection of the right to marry that applies to same-sex couples. Balancing strong advocacy of this position with respectful engagement with those who oppose same-sex marriage, Evan Gerstmann concludes not only that the Constitution protects same-sex marriage but that it is the proper role of the courts to enforce this right. The book also takes on many of the same-sex marriage myths: that it will lead down that 'slippery slope' to such things as polygamy, that same-sex marriage has been a political albatross for liberals and progressives, and that courts are

'usurping' the democratic process. Without overheated rhetoric or legal jargon, Gerstmann makes the case for same-sex marriage as a constitutional guarantee.

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