

# Craig Konnoth

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## EXPERIENCE:

**California Department of Justice, Deputy Solicitor General & Inaugural Earl Warren Sol. Gen. Fellow** 2012-pres.  
Prepare and/or review briefs in civil litigation before the United States and California supreme courts involving the state of California as party or amicus. Help coordinate multistate amicus efforts. Help lead Departmental civil rights policy initiatives. Participate in decisions whether to seek certiorari or review before courts of last instance. Prepare Attorney General Opinions in response to official requests.

**The Honorable M. Margaret McKeown, Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals, Law Clerk** 2011-2012  
Prepared bench and research memos and helped draft opinions in a wide variety of cases, involving environmental issues, consumer rights, voting rights, warrantless wiretapping. Reviewed opinions for possible en banc activity. Helped with other projects, including speech writing and article preparation.

**UCLA Law School: Williams Institute, Scott Hitt Law & Policy Fellow** 2010-2011  
Produced quantitative reports related to marriage equality, drafted/analyzed HIV privacy legislation and amicus briefs, prepared legal analyses for agency negotiation, educational presentations, grant applications, and publicity strategies for the Institute. Areas included anti-discrimination law, administrative law, privacy law, and international LGBT rights law.

**National Student Division, National LGBT Bar Association, National Co-Chair, Board Member** 2008-2010  
Co-chaired national organization of law students. Created first national network of LGBT law students. Wrote bylaws for new network, and negotiated with the Bar Association. Organized advocacy and amicus efforts.

**Davis, Polk & Wardwell, New York, NY, Law Clerk** Summer 2009  
Focused on securities litigation, international contract arbitration and international choice of law matters. Principal assistant in government securities investigation. Received offer of permanent employment.

**Int'l Gay & Lesbian Hum. Rts. Comm., USA, S. Africa, Asia** Fall 2007; Summers 2008 & 2009  
*Law Clerk/Kirby Simon Fellow*  
Prepared material to challenge sodomy bans with Inter-American and African Commissions. Traveled Malaysia/Singapore/India interviewing activists on ways religion affects LGBT issues for report.

**ACLU Lesbian Gay Bisexual Transgender-AIDS Project, New Haven, CT, Law Clerk** Summer 2008  
Helped in preparation of trial documents and in deposition/document review. Participated in strategy sessions regarding particular cases, as well as long term litigation goals.

## EDUCATION:

**Yale Law School, J.D. Candidate, June 2010**

**Honors:** Parker Prize in Legal History Recipient, 2008-09

**Activities:** Student Supervisor: LGBT Litigation Group  
Research Assistant: Professors Bruce Ackerman, Richard Brooks, William Eskridge  
Senior Editor: Yale Law Journal, 2009-2010.  
Business Manager: Yale Journal of Law and Feminism, 2008-2009  
Co-Chair: South Asian Law Students Association, 2008-2009  
Co-Chair: Yale Law School Civil Rights Project, 2008-2009

**Cambridge University, M.Phil., History Faculty, June 2007**

**Dissertation:** *The Constitutional Innovation of John Milton: The Secularization of British Constitutional Theory*

**Fordham University**, Bachelor of Arts, May 2005, GPA 3.96

*Honors:* *Summa cum laude in cursu honorum*, Phi Beta Kappa, Alpha Sigma Nu

*Majors:* Mathematics-Economics (with departmental honors), History (with departmental honors)

*Relevant Activities:* Research. Asst., Philosophy Dept., Project: *Models of International Justice*.

## **BAR ADMISSIONS**

- Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals (2012)
- New York (2012)
- California (2012)

## **PUBLICATIONS:**

- EXTENDING MEDICAID LONG-TERM CARE IMPOVERISHMENT PROTECTIONS TO SAME-SEX COUPLES (2012) (with Jennifer Pizer, Christy Mallory & Brad Sears).
- TESTIMONY ON THE DEMOGRAPHIC CHARACTERISTICS OF GAY, LESBIAN AND BISEXUAL LATINOS AND LATINOS IN SAME-SEX COUPLES (2011) (testimony to the American Bar Association Commission on Hispanic Rights & Responsibilities).
- NON-CITIZEN, BINATIONAL AND NATURALIZED SAME-SEX COUPLES IN THE UNITED STATES (2011) (primary author, with Gary Gates).
- Comment, *Section 5 Constraints on Congress through the Lens of Article III, and the Constitutionality of the Employment Non-Discrimination Act*, 120 YALE L.J. 1263 (2011).
- SPENDING ON WEDDINGS OF SAME-SEX COUPLES IN THE UNITED STATES (2011) (primary author, with Lee Badgett & Brad Sears).
- THE IMPACT ON RHODE ISLAND'S BUDGET OF ALLOWING SAME-SEX COUPLES TO MARRY (2011) (primary author, with Jody Herman and Lee Badgett).
- THE FISCAL IMPACT OF CREATING CIVIL UNIONS ON COLORADO'S BUDGET (2011) (with Jody Herman and Lee Badgett).
- THE FISCAL IMPACT OF CREATING CIVIL UNIONS ON DELAWARE'S BUDGET (forthcoming 2011) (with Jody Herman and Lee Badgett).
- *Outcome of Attorney General's Race May Affect Gay Marriage Case*, Sacramento Bee, Nov. 9, 2010 at A13.
- Note, *Created in its Image: The Race Analogy, Gay Identity, and Gay Litigation in the 1950s-1970s*, 119 YALE L.J. 316 - 372 (2009) (2008-2009 Yale Law School Parker Prize recipient).
- *Extortion, Blackmail and Human Rights Law*, in OUT OF THE SHADOWS: AFRICAN LGBT INDIVIDUALS AND BLACKMAIL AND EXTORTION (working title) (forthcoming 2011).
- Book Note, 33 YALE J. INT'L L. 525 (reviewing DANIEL TERRIS ET AL., THE INTERNATIONAL JUDGE (2007)).
- *Botulinum Neurotoxin Type B and Physical Therapy in the Treatment of Piriformis Syndrome: a Dose-Finding Study*, 83 AM. J. OF PHY. MED. & REHAB. 42 (2004) (co-authored with Loren M. Fishman & Bernard Rozner)

## **SELECTED PRESENTATIONS**

- *Proposition and the Future of Marriage Litigation*, American Constitution Society (moderator), Los Angeles, 2011
- *Demographic Characteristics of LGBT Latinos*, Joint Honor Fund/Planned Parenthood Presentation, Los Angeles, 2011
- *Demographic Distribution of LGBT Individuals*, Creating Change Conference, Minneapolis, 2011
- *Blinding Justitia: How Discrimination Against Sexual Minorities Destroys their Privacy*, Williams Institute Global Arc of Justice Conference, Los Angeles, March 13, 2009.
- *Litigation and Gay Identity*, Law and Society Association Conference, Denver, CO, May 30, 2009.
- *Developing a Test for Extraterritorial Jurisdiction under the European Convention of Human Rights*, Yale Journal of International Law Work in Progress Series, Yale Law School, May 4, 2009.

**HONORS:** Bar Association of San Francisco Minority Bar Coalition Unity Award 2012

**LANGUAGES:** English, French (conversational-spoken and written), Hindi (conversational-spoken and written).