



On **Tuesday, March 13, 2012**, at **4:00pm ET** the National LGBT Bar Association will host a national call-in to discuss the recent consent decree filed by the Departments of Justice and Education, the six private student plaintiffs and the Anoka-Hennepin School District on March 5, 2012.

In the wake of teen suicides within the Anoka-Hennepin School District, the Southern Poverty Law Center and National Center for Lesbian Rights filed a lawsuit against the school district on behalf of five students for its policies on LGBT and gender nonconforming students as well as fostering an environment of anti-LGBT bullying. The Departments of Justice and Education also conducted an extensive investigation into sex-based harassment in the district's schools. Many students reported that the unsafe and unwelcoming school climate inhibited their ability to learn.

Speakers on the call will include:

Matt Nosanchuk – Senior Counsel to the Assistant Attorney General, Civil Rights Division, U.S. Department of Justice

Michael Ponto – Partner, Faegre Baker Daniels LLP

Samuel Wolfe – Staff Attorney, Southern Poverty Law Center

Kate Kendell, Esq. – Executive Director, National Center for Lesbian Rights

Shannon Minter, Esq. – Legal Director, National Center for Lesbian Rights

Chris Dolan – Associate, Faegre Baker Daniels LLP

Torey Cummings – Attorney, Educational Opportunities Section, Civil Rights Division, U.S. Department of Justice

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