

LGBTQI+ Legal Access Project

The American Bar Association Commission on Domestic & Sexual Violence's LGBTQI+ Legal Access Project provides individualized support, training, and technical assistance to address domestic and sexual violence in LGBTQI+ communities.



Why This Project?

Myths and biases against members of the LGBTQI+ community can lead to systemic discrimination. Law enforcement may not have resources for an LGBTQI+ victim who calls for assistance or prosecutors may be challenged in how to prove a criminal case against an LGBTQI+ perpetrator in a same-sex relationship before a jury. Family Courts may not have established protocols for all victims looking to file for a civil protective order. Legal service providers may need to develop intake infrastructures that are accessible for LGBTQI+ victims. These factors-- among many others-- prevent LGBTQI+ victims from seeking and obtaining protection under the law.



LGBTQI+ Dating Violence: Emerging Legal & Practice Issues for Young Survivors

This program provided an overview for attorneys and legal advocates working with LGBTQI+ teen survivors of dating violence.

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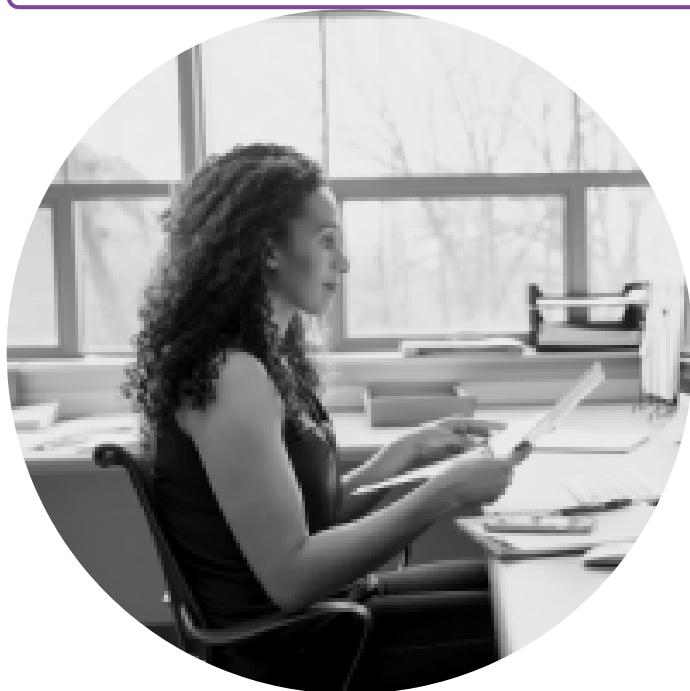


Apply to Join LGBTQ Listserv

The Commission on Domestic & Sexual Violence hosts this monitored, litigators-only listserv to provide a forum for Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, and/or Transgender, and/or Queer (LGBTQ) victims' attorneys to discuss issues that arise in the process of litigation, and to provide peer-to-peer assistance and mentorship.

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Request Technical Assistance

Contact the Commission on Domestic & Sexual Violence for technical assistance regarding the LGBTQI Legal Access Project's resources

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Resources

Statutory Summary Chart

Overview of CPO Protections for LGBT Victims (6/2013)

NCAVP Report

2014 Report on Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, Queer, and HIV-Affected Intimate Partner Violence

LGBT Protections Under VAWA

An Open Letter From LGBTQ Organizations in the United States

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