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9:00 am – 5:15 pm

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4801 Massachusetts Avenue, NW, Room 603, Washington, DC

Symposium will consist of three panels all focused around themes arising from Professor Nancy Polikoff's groundbreaking book *Beyond (Straight and Gay) Marriage*. The panels will address feminist and comparative family law perspectives on non-traditional families, and an activist perspective on what approaches should be pursued in the aftermath of the multiple state-level bans on gay marriage, the California gay marriage decision, and the passage of Proposition 8.

9:00 am **Registration**

9:30 am **Welcome Remarks**

10:00 am **Comparative Law Panel**

Prof. Macarena Saez, Washington College of Law, Adjunct Faculty; *Prof. Lynn Wardle*, Brigham Young University, Bruce C. Hafen Professor of Law; and *Prof. Rachel Rebouche*, Washington College of Law, Adjunct Faculty

12:00 pm **Lunch**

1:00 pm **Policy/Activist Panel**

Prof. Dennis Ventry, Washington College of Law, Visiting Faculty; *Leslie Gabel-Brett*, Lambda Legal, Director of Education and Public Affairs; and *Lara Schwartz*, Human Rights Campaign, Legal Director & Chief Legislative Counsel

3:00 pm **Break**

3:15 pm **Feminist Panel**

Prof. Margaret Johnson, University of Baltimore School of Law; *Prof. Nancy Polikoff*, Washington College of Law; and *Prof. Cynthia Mabry*, Howard University School of Law

5:15 pm **Reception**

General Registration – no charge. CLE Accreditation (6 credits) will be applied for – CLE Registration - \$55
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