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J Jimmy Carper 00:01

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S Sarah DePalma 01:54

After hours queer radio with attitude. My name is Sarah dipalma. And I am sitting in for Jimmy Carper tonight who is often California having a great time. And with me tonight is

E Elizabeth Richards 02:07

Beth Richards sitting in for Sarah dipalma. Who's sitting in for Jimmy Carter.

S Sarah DePalma 02:11

Actually, I think we're getting used to this. It seems like every time every time I have a show with Jimmy, he's elsewhere. You do. I you know, I don't understand. I use deodorant and everything. But Jimmy is just not here. So I don't know. We'll get used to it.

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Elizabeth Richards 02:24

Now Jimmy is going to miss a good one tonight. Yes, yes,

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Sarah DePalma 02:27

he is. Let's first of all, let's talk about where we just came from? Absolutely. Absolutely. For the audience who does not know. I am an open very open, our free preoperative transsexual. And Beth is about the same. And tonight's show, we're going to be talking about transgendered issues. But that's a little bit misleading. Because what we're really talking about here is a court case. And it affects much more than just just more than than transgenders this affects gay, bisexuals, it affects gay and lesbian people. It affects straight people. So if you just heard the term transgender and you think, oh, a better turn the station, don't do that.

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Elizabeth Richards 03:15

Oh, you'll get surprised when you find out exactly how far reaching what we're going to talk about comes to,

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Sarah DePalma 03:20

this is going to be a fascinating, fascinating topic. We have two absolutely terrific guests. And we promise you that you will not be bored tonight. This is going to be a program that you're going to want to take to the watercooler and discuss with people on Monday. So regardless of whether what you are gay, lesbian, bisexual, transgendered, or as we like to say around here, if you're a queer, you should be here. It's just that simple. Yes, indeed. We have just come from something called the Unity banquet.

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Elizabeth Richards 03:52

Yes. And driving on the way past here, I went right by the cafe Adobe, where we held our first one, our first one, that's first one all those years back and here we are in 2000. There are five,

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Sarah DePalma 04:03

I guess, five, five or six now trained five transgendered organizations within the city of Houston, or within what's actually not that's not true to work is one of them now is in Galveston.

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Elizabeth Richards 04:15

Yeah. And actually, it's five that hosted this and I'm sure there's more.



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Sarah DePalma 04:19

That's that's probably right. There are more in what this is. There are various organizations for transgendered people saw one of the organizations caters to heterosexual cross dressers and their wives. One of the organizations is open to everyone, regardless of their sexual orientation. One of them is primarily aimed at transsexual support. And one of them is a therapy group primarily aimed at cross dressers. And I'm sure one has a social group. That's true, that one of them is primarily a social group for all for all transgenders. And so tonight was the Unity banquet. We had I guess, about 200, roughly 200 roughly 200 I I remember when we had our first our first banquet at Cafe Adobe, and I think we had about 40 or 40 people, maybe you're pushing it if Yeah, I was gonna say if that year, um, and it was really funny, all the cross dressers stood on one side of the room, and all the transsexual stood on the other side of the room.

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Elizabeth Richards 05:17

Well, to be fair, tonight included cross dressers, and it included turn sexuals. But it also included members from PFLAG from the Houston game lesbian, Political Caucus from you can name those groups better than

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Sarah DePalma 05:30

Yeah, I mean, we had the Texas Human Rights Foundation. Obviously, it was there tonight. The Gay and Lesbian Political Caucus was there tonight. PFLAG was there tonight. I'm sure I'm missing some groups. And this is a huge step forward, because it's the first time that we have started to bring in members from outside of the transgender community.

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Elizabeth Richards 05:48

This is a lesbian, gay trans community event that focuses on the trans portion of the event.

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Sarah DePalma 05:55

And you know, it's a funny thing. When I first started doing the show five and a half years ago, every time I would come on here, we would get these phone calls. What the hell is that transsexual doing in queer radio? They're not part of our community and yackety, Yak and Yak. And we have gone from that five and a half years ago, to now we have gay and lesbian organizations winning awards from the transgender community for their inclusion. Yeah, my how the times have changed.

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Elizabeth Richards 06:19

You know, these, these outside groups aren't the only ones to win awards, right, Sarah, who happened to take them to tonight?

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Sarah DePalma 06:27

Actually, I wasn't gonna mention that yet. But yes,

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Elizabeth Richards 06:30

you deserve them. And, you know,

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Sarah DePalma 06:31

I'm very, very honored. I received tonight the Lifetime Achievement Award, which is I frankly, was pretty shocked. Because to me, lifetime achievement is something you give to somebody in their 60s as they're retiring, you know, so, and I'm not ready to retire by any stretch.

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Elizabeth Richards 06:47

Yet, you've still done in this short amount of time more than a lot of people have in their entire lifetime. You earned that award.

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Sarah DePalma 06:53

You really did. Well, thank you in the other word, I was really genuinely honored to see the apogee award in the this award as his name because of course, is the highest part of the orbit that is the FPGA. And it is for a person in the transgender community, I guess who's sort of flown higher or faster, something. Yeah, gone high, gone higher. And I was genuinely, truly amazed and honored to win that award. I had no idea. It's a funny thing is when you've been working as an activist, as long as I have, you start to take for granted that no one notices, and really no one cares. And so it's really nice to get some recognition. I was I was really shocked, but I appreciate it very much. So we could tell you're shocked. Yeah. Like it's funny. I looked at my life partner, Laurie. Like they say my name really? Yes. That's a mistake. Right. Absolute deer in the headlights look. Yeah. And it was very nice to receive the word for the word from Councilwoman nice Parker and it was it was very nice evening. Yes. Okay, enough about that. Let's talk about our guests. Oh, well,

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Elizabeth Richards 08:00

we'll do plenty of that. I

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Sarah DePalma 08:04

hope. Yeah. We have in studio tonight, uh, Kristy Lee Littleton. Now, if you're not familiar with the Littleton case, we're going to wait and let Christy and her attorney that is also in Studio 10. And Phyllis Frye will let them explain this all to you. But let me just give you a brief thumbnail

sketch. Suppose you went to get a marriage license? And the clerk said, I'm sorry, you have the wrong set of chromosomes. You can't be married? That is a real possibility. Yep. It is a very real possibility. And

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Elizabeth Richards 08:38

how would they know they're going to have to in order to meet the criterion that's come from this case, they're gonna have to require chromosome testing before issuing marriage licenses to really stick to the

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Sarah DePalma 08:47

law. Remember the Defense of Marriage Act? Well, it is rearing its ugly head in Texas. Oh, yes, it is. And if those are just a couple of teasers. That's that's just just to reinforce what we said that no matter where you are in the spectrum tonight, gay, lesbian, bisexual, transgender. We have a show for you. And this is this is very, it's a unique situation. I have to say at work. It only took me five and a half years of being on the air to get Phyllis fry in the studio. It only took me five and a half years to get Phyllis here. But we finally did. And we Kristy Lee is in studio. So what we're going to do is go to a piece of music, we're gonna get their microphones set up. And I don't think I talked about who was who opened up the show.

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Elizabeth Richards 09:33

No, no, we haven't done that. And you know, a bit of business work here. Yeah,

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Sarah DePalma 09:36

I may say the first cut was from Doug Stephens and out band. And no one told me what cut that was. So I'll just leave it your imagination.

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Elizabeth Richards 09:48

Well, when jimmy comes back, you can tell us all about it. Yes.

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Sarah DePalma 09:51

And the second piece was from the Gay Men's, Gay Men's Chorus of Los Angeles, titled diversity and I thought that was an appropriate piece of music absolute And we have one more piece of appropriate music that we'd like to do as we get our microphones all together. This is romanovski in Philips be political, not polite. And we are back, an oldie but a goodie romanovski and Phillips, be political, not polite. Okay, we're opening up the microphones in the other studio. We've done our checks. And everybody's I'm here. Let me introduce our guests. First of all, in studio with us is Christie Littleton. Christie is going to tell a little bit about herself and then we'll go forward with the case. And also with us tonight in studio is attorney Phyllis Frye .

Now if you're a regular listener to the show, you've heard us talk about Phyllis many times before we've taken her name in vain once or twice. Yeah, we've taken it. Yeah, we've said unkind things about her. I'm sure when you



Phyllis Frye 11:00

said an oldie but a goodie. I thought you were talking about me.



Sarah DePalma 11:05

Well, okay, if you want to apply that I wouldn't have thought of you as an oldie. But in any case, Phil I Phyllis has got elicited credential longer than both of our arms. And she is here it tonight is Christy's attorney. So first of all, first Christy, let's get you on the air so that people can hear you. Uh, why don't you tell us a little bit about yourself and tell folks you're from San Antonio, Luke, give us a little history bound you?



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Well, first of all, halos Houston in I am Christie Littleton from San Antonio, Texas. I am the woman that has been. I am the woman that my husband has died of medical negligence. And I took it to court for malpractice. And the courts turn me away. So I did not get my true justice as a widow should catch. And I'm here with my attorney Phyllis Frye . And I also attended the Unity 2000. Today, and I express my thanks to all Houston in the human the Texas human rights for all the help. Thank you.



Sarah DePalma 12:16

Well, let's get a little background here. A Christie is 20 years post operative. Is that right? Yes. 20 years. 20 years post operative and you were legally married to Jonathan Littleton? Yes, in the state of Kentucky. And you were married seven years. Is that right?



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We were married approximately seven years.



Sarah DePalma 12:36

And then your your husband passed away? And you decided to sue for malpractice? Yes, I did. Okay. And so the case goes to court, and then you take it from there. What happened?



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Well, I thought it was doing what every normal woman would do is go and ask for justice for her

husband. I, to my surprise, I did not get the justice that I wanted. It came to me as a such shock as to find out that I did not have the equal rights as all the other women in United States, as when we asked for equal rights for our husbands justice. My husband passed away from a brain aneurysm. And I took it. I took it as to being a medical negligence so I seek for help. And the attorneys that I got picked up my case and we went to court, and my case was thrown out. And not once but twice or three times.

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Sarah DePalma 13:36

Now, Phyllis, why don't we take it from there. Once you explain why what happened in her case?

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Phyllis Frye 13:42

Well, first off, I want to say that I'm not her original attorney. Yes, that's important. Yes. In fact, I've only been on the case about 14 days. And it's not just me, Allison Meiselman. And attorney from Maryland state of Maryland. She and I are working this case together. Essentially what happened. And this is why it's important for all of you who are listening who are not trans, sexual, and maybe very straight and very married. The court in San Antonio allowed a party to the lawsuit, who was not state of Kentucky where she got married, nor either the husband or the wife and a marriage to challenge the validity of that marriage. They allowed the insurance company to have legal standing to challenge the validity of that marriage. And I also want to make sure that everyone understands that there's no other way to say it. Christie has a vagina. And she married a man who had a penis and they were married in another state. And for seven years they consummated that marriage with penis vagina and they're course. And the trial court said that too bad. And the appellate court said too bad. And the Texas Supreme Court refused to hear the case. Essentially, what they all said was that 20 years ago, Christie had, and we assume that she still has because she's never been tested the X Y chromosome, and we assume that her husband had the X Y chromosome, even though he was never tested. And because you both are assumed to have X Y chromosomes, even though she has a vagina for 20 years, and he has a penis, they have legal same sex marriage. So it declared the Kentucky marriage void, and that she never was married. And it said that she is a legal vagina male. So anyone who's married out there, especially if you were married in another state, and you thought you had a legal marriage. Please let it be known now that in Texas, someone can challenge your out of state marriage.

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Sarah DePalma 16:09

Well, the strange thing about this case is the judge basically said that at least he believed that Christie had male chromosomes. Therefore, since male Christie had male chromosomes, and she was married to a man, this was an illegal, same sex marriage. And that men Christie did not have standing to sue as the spouse, right, it invalidated the marriage. And Phyllis, correct me if I'm wrong. But that's almost unprecedented is important for a court to basically invalidate a marriage like this.

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Phyllis Frye 16:44

I've not heard of it, except in very few extreme cases. Corbett of the Corbett. 1970 came out of England. There was a case in Ohio, which is now statutory law that says legal sex is based on chromosomes. So there are three jurisdictions that do that. And I've already heard that Kansas and Missouri, are already taking cases, using the Littleton case, to argue that sex is based on chromosomes. And as far as I know, in the Kansas State, Kansas case, which involves a probate where there was no will, there's a challenge on the marriage based on the fact that even though one person was vagina ID, any other person was pianist. That because their chromosomes are presumed to have been the same, that they have a legal same sex and illegal, same sex marriage, and therefore there's no marriage. So there's a lot of invalidation of marriage is going on, based on the presumption of same chromosome pairs, even though one party has a vagina, and the other party has a penis,

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Sarah DePalma 17:56

and Christy, they never did test you for chromosomes at all did it just made the assumption

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they only assumed because no one's ever tested me. I've never been tested for chromosomes in my entire life.

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Phyllis Frye 18:07

Let me tell you something else is stupid about this. Article 9031 of the Texas code states that there's confidentiality in genetic information. And it with a few listed exceptions of which this is not one, no one can demand that someone give up their genetic information. One of the parties that's listed that cannot do that is a state agency and a state agency is defined to include the judicial branch of the state. So what the court was saying in her case is that even though we cannot force you to have a chromosome test, you have to have your because of the law, you have to have your own chromosome test, and reveal those otherwise confidential genetic information to defend your marriage.

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Sarah DePalma 19:02

You know, the whole thing is just it's just mind blowing. From start to finish, the whole thing is just mind blowing. Now, Christy, you told me that when your husband knew you were transsexual before you got married? Oh, yes, he did. Yes, he did. And it was never an issue in any time.

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As a matter of fact, I think it made our love bond even more.

S Sarah DePalma 19:22

So he sees you as a woman. He never really knew you was anything but a woman you already 10 years post operative. Right?

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He met a woman now. Right? Okay,

S Sarah DePalma 19:31

so he meets he meets a woman, he marries a woman. You live as a woman, you are married as a woman, you have an entirely female relationship. And the court says, oh, but we know better.

E Elizabeth Richards 19:46

Can you think of anything less important than a chromosome in this situation?

S Sarah DePalma 19:51

That's the strange thing about this Beth is a chromosome doesn't make any sense. It's nothing more than a pattern. That's right. And without the hormones and some of the other in in the body chemistry Hurry, chromosomes over no value,

E Elizabeth Richards 20:01

I think of chromosomes much like a blueprint. It doesn't tell you how to run anything. It's just a way of deciding how you can build something.

S Sarah DePalma 20:09

That that's the thing about this case I haven't understood from the start, is that of all the things to talk about the chromosomes make the least amount of sense. Absolutely. It's kind of young Mike my understanding as to why the judge would have chosen that, and especially why he would have chosen this. At the same time he starts quoting the Bible and talking about our Creator.

P Phyllis Frye 20:30

Yeah, that's what I was just going to say if you'll notice, the third line of the opinion brings in the Creator. And he also brings in the DOMA decision, the federal Defense of Marriage Act. Interestingly, the federal Defense of Marriage Act was brought was enacted in the fall of 1997.

Her husband died in July of 1997. So her marriage has already had an end, before DOMA was even enacted. And in Article One, Section 16 of the Texas Constitution, there is a ban against the application of retroactive laws.

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Sarah DePalma 21:09

I mean, the whole the whole case is just czars

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Elizabeth Richards 21:12

had the judge looked on this with a rational logical approach. I don't see how it could have stood.

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Phyllis Frye 21:19

Well, this wasn't a rational and logical decision. This was a decision. This was just a decision that very plainly was written to not allow any way shape or form a, as they would define it, same sex marriage to occur, in my opinion, and I've run into this at the courthouse before. Some people who wear black robes still think that there are some gay men in the world who want so much to be with other gay men, that they will voluntarily have genital surgery so that they can marry their gay lover. Well, that has nothing to do with being homosexual. What it has to do with is being transsexual, and Christie did not have genital surgery, just so that she could have sexual intercourse, vagina penis intercourse with a man, she had genital surgery, because she wanted the birth defect that she was born with, to be corrected. So her genitals would match the gender identity in her brain.

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Sarah DePalma 22:25

That's something Douglas Christie now we're talking about the car when people asked me was I born in male I always told them no. I always tell them I was born female, my body was simply too stupid to catch up to the rest of it. And that's that's always been my basic philosophy about this is that I was born a female. My body there one very to me insignificant part of the body didn't know it. Yeah, it's a vagina turned outwards. So I need to have that corrected,

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Elizabeth Richards 22:53

I typically turn the question around. So which part of me talking about my brain or some of the other parts of my body? Because I'll tell you what my brain was born thinking I was female. And it's just taken me a while the rest of me to catch up.

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Sarah DePalma 23:04

What I guess I guess what I'm aiming at here is I don't know, if the judge would understand a theory like art, like what I just presented, I'm not sure that he would have understood, you

know, to go to, you know, you're going to talk to classes like I had. And when you stand up and say I was born female, but with a penis, they always tend to kind of look at you and their eyes glaze over. Because that goes against everything they've been taught.

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Elizabeth Richards 23:27

They have no clue between the distinction between sex and gender.

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Phyllis Frye 23:30

Well, Christie was not born with a penis. She was born with a birth defect that everybody thought was a penis, but she was born with a penis.

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Sarah DePalma 23:39

Yeah, I completely agree. And the hard part, of course, is going to be getting the courts to to agree with this. Now, Christy, when, when the ruling when the first I'm still confused when you went to the first the first court, did they explain what the ruling meant to you? I mean, did anybody say here's what the ruling means? Do you understand it?

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No. No one ever told me a thing. I didn't even understand why I lost. I went home, wondering whether I had been thrown out or I had one. No one had explained it to me. I had never attended any kind of court before. So I didn't know the procedures. And I didn't know the outcome. Although when someone told me about the chromosomes, it took me by shock. Because I concentrated my marriage with my womanhood, not with my chromosomes.

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Sarah DePalma 24:27

There will sit so when you went home, you didn't know for sure whether you even if you didn't completely understand whether you had won or lost.

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As a matter of fact, I went home thinking I still had a chance. It was over a month before I realized what had happened. I was already on my way to the fourth Courts of Appeals. And to when I realized what actually happened I had already left the fourth Courts of Appeal. And about a day later it was told to me

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Sarah DePalma 24:54

Okay, so once you want once it finally becomes clear, and now you're going to the or the court?

Did you're going to do the court after the decision came out? Did again did. Did you understand what the fourth court had said? Do you understand what the implications to you were?



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I understood what they were trying to say with the chromosomes. I just don't accept that because I don't consider myself anything else. But a woman. I was his wife. And I had a right for all that I had coming for me and everything was taken away from me, all for some pattern called chromosome said, I don't even understand myself. I have never been tested from it. All I wanted was justice. Now, how did they find out that you were transsexual? That you would have to ask Maloney Maloney because I really don't understand it right now.



Phyllis Frye 25:40

Okay. Well, we've talked to her, Allison and I interviewed Christy, just before she hired us, and she recalled to us that she was very open to her former attorneys about her past, she made no secret. Contrary to what the community thought she was not closeted about being transgendered her family knew her neighbors knew her customers knew. But her attorneys, as she told us, our first attorneys just didn't prep her for our deposition, even though they knew that she was transgendered, and, you know, it just never came up during depositions. It's quite normal. The first thing you ask are one of the very few first things you ask is where you know about another name. That's a standard deposition question within the first five minutes? And she honestly said yes. And they pursued it, and, you know, her other side didn't prepare her hat on how to talk are anything about this case? And so, you know, it just came out. It was nothing to hide. It's nothing to be ashamed of.



Sarah DePalma 26:58

Well, that's kind of the point. The point I wanted to make here is that I'm well aware that there are a lot of woodworking transsexuals, for the audience of woodworking is a slang term we use in this community. These are people who have had their surgery and simply disassociated themselves from the transgender community. They are these are the kinds of folks who would go to their OB GYN without telling them that they were transsexual. And I'm sure and I know that we have a large audience like this and and they think they're safe. And we want them to understand that what's happened here with Christie is they need to understand is that the that woodworking or the closet is no longer an acceptable hiding place. If you think it will take a look at what happened to Christie Christie did everything she was told. She followed every direction she did everything legally, and still got shafted.



Phyllis Frye 27:54

Absolutely. Well, it's it's more than that. She had her surgery by surgeons who were sponsored and partially funded by a university that was state and federally funded. At a hospital that was state and federally funded. Most of her surgery was paid for by state and federal funds after her surgery, she took her doctors certified letter and went to a Texas court and got her name changed. And she took the Texas name change and her doctor's letter to the Department of

Public Safety. And they gave her a Texas ID that said female and the Internal Revenue Service accepted seven years of tax returns that said married filing jointly. And there's a very good case for fraud against the state of Texas because they led her down this road without letting her know that down the road a Texas Court could by violating both its constitution and its state law, change her sex and invalidate everything that had been done to her and blessed by prior state action.

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Sarah DePalma 29:11

Phyllis, I guess one thing I've never really understood about this is why didn't have I'm trying to think even how to phrase this. Why didn't the court take a look at her entire life? Instead of just focusing on the chromosomes? Her entire life is female? There's no part of her that is not female? Well, I guess I don't I can't fathom that.

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Phyllis Frye 29:31

Well, you know, as we said before, read the first lines of the appellate decision. They were talking about the Creator. And they were talking about DOMA. And they spent a lot of time talking about all the different ways to block a same sex marriage. There was no doubt about it what they had. Their agenda was about and even though they claimed that they were not going to legislate from the bench, that's exactly what happened because they violated the Texas Constitution and applying retroactive law, and they violated their own state law article 9031 By requiring her to reveal confidential genetic information. And they also they should be stopped, which is a legal term from doing this because of all the prior state and federal actions to validate her vagina hood.

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Sarah DePalma 30:30

Now, I'm sure there are a lot of gay and lesbian people out there who are saying, well, what does this matter? Well, It's Time Texas is looking very seriously at the possibility right now. And let's just say for the sake of discussion, that we decided that we were going to take two women down to get there to get a marriage license. Now, what we're proposing is we take a I'm a genetic female, and a person who with x x with x x in taking a person who was born with X, Y chromosomes, and we're going to mark them down now one of them will most likely be a postoperative transsexual, but they'll have the right set of chromosomes.

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Elizabeth Richards 31:12

It doesn't have to be two women. Well, no two men, it could be some having started off life with XX chromosomes and is now male.

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Sarah DePalma 31:19

And what we're going to see we're going to try and find out is can we end up legal same sex marriages in that's going to be very interesting way to see see how the, how the courts react to that.

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Do it too late for me Mr. Perry,



Phyllis Frye 31:37

under Littleton, they will not be same sex marriages, they will be matching genital marriages.



Elizabeth Richards 31:43

Oh, yeah, opposite sex, therefore legal.



Phyllis Frye 31:47

And other words to vaginas, people would be able to legally marry because one is x x. And one is x, y, or two penis, people would be able to legally marry because one is x x. And one is x, y. The beauty of it is that we can also take two gay men are two lesbian women, and have them both have copies of the Littleton decision and have affidavit stating that they believe that they probably have different chromosomes, but they're not sure. And if they are going to be required to in violation of article 90 point 31 to provide genetic information through expensive testing, then all other heterosexual couples should also be required to break that confidentiality and violation of the law and to have that expense for their marriage licenses.



Sarah DePalma 32:44

I love it. So



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you're talking about \$600 A PERSON No \$300 person \$600, a couple



Sarah DePalma 32:51

\$600 A couple. And they will have to get down and get chromosome test venue before they can even get a marriage license. And we



Phyllis Frye 32:57

haven't even talked about the intersection. I was gonna bring that. Well.

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Sarah DePalma 33:01

Yeah. And the thing that intrigues me is it seems to me that in any situation where money is being contested, this is going to come up I can see this in divorce courts, I can see this in child custody cases. I mean, this is just this truly this is Pandora's box.

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Phyllis Frye 33:17

If a defense attorney in a contested marriage with a lot of community property, or contest, excuse me, a contested divorce, with a lot of community property at stake are a contested divorce with child custody at stake or a fight over the if a marriage was legal, especially if it was the second marriage, and the kids don't like to step mom or stepdad. And there's no will involved. And they want to keep the step parent from taking 1/3 of this state or if it's a wrongful death or anything that involves a tort action involving loss of consortium that defense attorney under Littleton would be crazy and would really need to contact their malpractice carrier if they did not require a chromosome test because of the intersex potential or any other potential that there is not a Lyttleton defined x x dash x y combination. Because otherwise if they lose and they haven't had that test, they could be sued for malpractice.

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Sarah DePalma 34:35

Now you understand what we said at the start of the show it didn't matter. Tonight whether you're gay, lesbian, bisexual, transgendered, this show has got a little bit of something for everybody. Even if you think you're straight, we are equal opportunity. discriminators if this law stays in effect, Christie let's talk a little bit about about community. When you use get your operation back in the 70s there really wasn't a community was there.

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Not to my knowledge No not that I know of

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Sarah DePalma 35:03

so so you you had your surgery and really there was no community and I remember you telling me I think you said that basically