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**BIPARTISAN LEGAL TEAM DAVID BOIES AND THEODORE OLSON
DISCUSS MARRIAGE EQUALITY
AT THE NATIONAL CONSTITUTION CENTER**

Philadelphia, PA (May 20, 2014) – Less than a week before the first anniversary of Proposition 8's overturn in the state of California, the National Constitution Center hosts two of the nation's most prominent lawyers—**David Boies** and **Theodore B. Olson**—who famously went head-to-head in *Bush v. Gore* only to team up together for one of the highest-profile cases in recent Supreme Court history—*Hollingsworth v. Perry*. The pair will relive their five-year journey from Proposition 8's adoption by voters in 2008 to its defeat, as documented in their much-anticipated new book, *Redeeming the Dream: The Case for Marriage Equality*.

The program will take place on **Friday, June 20, 2014 at 6:30 p.m.** (just three days after the book's release). Admission starts at \$20 and includes a copy of the book. Reservations are recommended and can be made by calling 215-409-6700 or visiting constitutioncenter.org. A book signing with Boies and Olson will follow the program.

Boies and Olson were on opposite sides for one of the court's most historic cases, when Boies represented Democratic presidential candidate Al Gore and Olson represented Republican George W. Bush in a dispute over the Florida vote count in the 2000 presidential election. The court ruled 5-4 in Bush's favor. Eight years later, the pair formed an unlikely partnership to represent the challengers to California's Proposition 8. According to Boies, the two had never before "handled a more important, dramatic and emotionally compelling challenge."

Since 1997, [David Boies](#) has been the Chairman of Boies, Schiller & Flexner LLP. Boies has been selected as one of the 100 Most Influential People in the World by *Time* Magazine (2010) and Global International Litigator of the Year by *Who's Who Legal* an

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unprecedented seven times, including 2013. Boies served as Chief Counsel and Staff Director of the United States Senate Antitrust Subcommittee in 1978 and Chief Counsel and Staff Director of the United States Senate Judiciary Committee in 1979. Boies attended the University of Redlands (1960-62), and received a B.S. from Northwestern University (1964), an LL.B., magna cum laude from Yale University (1966), and an LL.M. from New York University (1967). He is the author of numerous publications including *Courting Justice* (2004) and *Public Control of Business* (1977). Boies is a member of the Board of Trustees of the National Constitution Center.

[Theodore B. Olson](#) is a partner in Gibson, Dunn & Crutcher's Washington, D.C. office. Olson was Solicitor General of the United States from 2001-2004. From 1981-1984, he was Assistant Attorney General in charge of the Office of Legal Counsel in the U.S. Department of Justice. In 2010, Olson was selected by *Time* magazine as one of the "100 Most Influential People in the World." He has argued 60 cases in the Supreme Court, including *Citizens United v. Federal Election Commission*, prevailing in over 75% of those arguments. Olson received his law degree in 1965 from the University of California at Berkeley, where he was a member of the California Law Review and Order of the Coif. He received his bachelor's degree from the University of the Pacific.

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