

EXHIBIT D

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

EDITH SCHLAIN WINDSOR, in her
capacity as Executor of the Estate
of CLARA SPYER,

Plaintiff,

-against-

10-CV-8435

THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

Defendant.

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
DISTRICT OF CONNECTICUT

JOANNE PEDERSEN & ANN MEITZEN,
GERALD V. PASSARO II, LYNDIA
DEFORGE & RAQUEL ARDIN, JANET
GELLER & JOANNE MARQUIS, SUZANNE
& GERALDINE ARTIS, BRADLEY
KLEINERMAN & JAMES GEHRE
DAMON SAYVOY & JOHN WEISS,

Plaintiffs,

Civil Action No.

-against-

310 CV 1750 (VLB)

OFFICE OF PERSONNEL MANAGEMENT,
TIMOTHY F. GEITHNER, in his official
capacity as the Secretary of the
Treasury, and HILDA L. SOLIS, in her
official capacity as the Secretary of
Labor, et al.,

Defendants.

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2 Q. Have there been any studies of the
3 children of same-sex couples in the state of
4 Massachusetts?

5 A. I am not familiar with studies of
6 children in those circumstances in Massachusetts.

7 Q. Are you aware of any other study --
8 let me rephrase.

9 Are you aware of any studies of
10 children of same-sex parents in jurisdictions
11 where same-sex parents can be married?

12 A. Am I aware -- sorry. Can you repeat
13 it?

14 Q. Yes. Are you aware of any studies
15 that look at the benefits or the detriments
16 obtained by children of same-sex parents in
17 jurisdictions where same-sex marriage is allowed?

18 A. Same-sex marriage has been allowed
19 only quite recently in this country. There are
20 studies such as those by Henny Bos in the
21 Netherlands, where same-sex marriage has been
22 allowed longer, that would be directly relevant
23 to that issue.

24 Q. And what do those studies show?

25 A. The studies show, as I summarized

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2 earlier, that there is no difference in
3 children's adjustment depending upon the sexual
4 orientation of their parents and that the
5 children's adjustment in those families, as in
6 all other circumstances, depends on the three
7 classes of variables that I have outlined in my
8 affidavit.

9 Q. In paragraph 41, Exhibit 2, you write,
10 "DOMA may convey to children of married same-sex
11 couples that their parents' relationships are
12 less valid or legitimate than the marriages of
13 heterosexual couples."

14 Can you point to any study that
15 confirms this supposition?

16 A. No. Again, I can't point to any
17 study, which is why I used the word "may."
18 Again, it's an extrapolation from the literature
19 that we do have focused on the factors that
20 affect children.

21 Q. In that same paragraph, paragraph 41,
22 you state that "DOMA denies --" let me read the
23 actual quote.

24 You write, "In addition to denying
25 children important federal legal protections,