

CIVIL COVER SHEET

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I. (a) PLAINTIFFS: James Obergefell and John Arthur; DEFENDANTS: John Kasich, et al. (b) County of Residence of First Listed Plaintiff: Hamilton; County of Residence of First Listed Defendant: (IN U.S. PLAINTIFF CASES ONLY); NOTE: IN LAND CONDEMNATION CASES, USE THE LOCATION OF THE TRACT OF LAND INVOLVED.; (c) Attorneys (Firm Name, Address, and Telephone Number): Alphonse A. Gerhardstein, 432 Walnut Street, Suite 400, Cincinnati, OH 45202.

II. BASIS OF JURISDICTION (Place an "X" in One Box Only): 1 U.S. Government Plaintiff, 3 Federal Question (U.S. Government Not a Party); 2 U.S. Government Defendant, 4 Diversity (Indicate Citizenship of Parties in Item III); III. CITIZENSHIP OF PRINCIPAL PARTIES (Place an "X" in One Box for Plaintiff and One Box for Defendant): Citizen of This State PTF 1 DEF 1, Citizen of Another State PTF 2 DEF 2, Citizen or Subject of a Foreign Country PTF 3 DEF 3, Foreign Nation PTF 6 DEF 6.

IV. NATURE OF SUIT (Place an "X" in One Box Only): CONTRACT (110 Insurance, 120 Marine, 130 Miller Act, 140 Negotiable Instrument, 150 Recovery of Overpayment & Enforcement of Judgment, 151 Medicare Act, 152 Recovery of Defaulted Student Loans (Excludes Veterans), 153 Recovery of Overpayment of Veteran's Benefits, 160 Stockholders' Suits, 190 Other Contract, 195 Contract Product Liability, 196 Franchise); REAL PROPERTY (210 Land Condemnation, 220 Foreclosure, 230 Rent Lease & Ejectment, 240 Torts to Land, 245 Tort Product Liability, 290 All Other Real Property); TORTS (PERSONAL INJURY: 310 Airplane, 315 Airplane Product Liability, 320 Assault, Libel & Slander, 330 Federal Employers' Liability, 340 Marine, 345 Marine Product Liability, 350 Motor Vehicle, 355 Motor Vehicle Product Liability, 360 Other Personal Injury, 362 Personal Injury - Medical Malpractice); CIVIL RIGHTS (440 Other Civil Rights, 441 Voting, 442 Employment, 443 Housing/Accommodations, 445 Amer. w/Disabilities - Employment, 446 Amer. w/Disabilities - Other, 448 Education); PRISONER PETITIONS (Habeas Corpus: 463 Alien Detainee, 510 Motions to Vacate Sentence, 530 General, 535 Death Penalty; Other: 540 Mandamus & Other, 550 Civil Rights, 555 Prison Condition, 560 Civil Detainee - Conditions of Confinement); FORFEITURE/PENALTY (625 Drug Related Seizure of Property 21 USC 881, 690 Other); LABOR (710 Fair Labor Standards Act, 720 Labor/Management Relations, 740 Railway Labor Act, 751 Family and Medical Leave Act, 790 Other Labor Litigation, 791 Employee Retirement Income Security Act); IMMIGRATION (462 Naturalization Application, 465 Other Immigration Actions); BANKRUPTCY (422 Appeal 28 USC 158, 423 Withdrawal 28 USC 157); SOCIAL SECURITY (861 HIA (1395ff), 862 Black Lung (923), 863 DIWC/DIWW (405(g)), 864 SSID Title XVI, 865 RSI (405(g))); FEDERAL TAX SUITS (870 Taxes (U.S. Plaintiff or Defendant), 871 IRS—Third Party 26 USC 7609); OTHER STATUTES (375 False Claims Act, 400 State Reapportionment, 410 Antitrust, 430 Banks and Banking, 450 Commerce, 460 Deportation, 470 Racketeer Influenced and Corrupt Organizations, 480 Consumer Credit, 490 Cable/Sat TV, 850 Securities/Commodities/Exchange, 890 Other Statutory Actions, 891 Agricultural Acts, 893 Environmental Matters, 895 Freedom of Information Act, 896 Arbitration, 899 Administrative Procedure Act/Review or Appeal of Agency Decision, 950 Constitutionality of State Statutes).

V. ORIGIN (Place an "X" in One Box Only): 1 Original Proceeding, 2 Removed from State Court, 3 Remanded from Appellate Court, 4 Reinstated or Reopened, 5 Transferred from Another District (specify), 6 Multidistrict Litigation.

VI. CAUSE OF ACTION: Cite the U.S. Civil Statute under which you are filing (Do not cite jurisdictional statutes unless diversity): 42 U.S.C. §1983 Equal Protection; Brief description of cause: Complaint challenging Ohio DOMA Laws.

VII. REQUESTED IN COMPLAINT: CHECK IF THIS IS A CLASS ACTION UNDER RULE 23, F.R.Cv.P. DEMAND \$; CHECK YES only if demanded in complaint: JURY DEMAND: Yes No (X).

VIII. RELATED CASE(S) IF ANY (See instructions): JUDGE; DOCKET NUMBER.

DATE: 07/19/2013; SIGNATURE OF ATTORNEY OF RECORD: Alphonse A. Gerhardstein.

FOR OFFICE USE ONLY: RECEIPT #, AMOUNT, APPLYING IFP, JUDGE, MAG. JUDGE.