
Same-sex couples legally married prior to a court stay

Historical Category: Provided comprehensive civil unions or domestic partnerships prior to issuing marriage licenses to same-sex couples

Historical Category: Provided limited statewide spousal rights prior to issuing marriage licenses to same-sex couples

*States that, in addition to marriage equality, provide either civil unions or domestic partnerships to same-sex couples within the state (9 states and D.C.): California (domestic partnerships), Colorado (civil unions), District of Columbia (domestic partnerships), Hawaii (civil unions), Illinois (civil unions) Maine (limited domestic partnerships), Nevada (domestic partnerships), New Jersey (civil unions), Oregon (domestic partnerships), Washington (limited domestic partnerships) and Wisconsin (domestic partnerships).