

# Law360 Quotes Special Counsel Damon W. Suden on Supreme Court's Decision to Make Same-Sex Marriage Legal Nationwide

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In the *Law360* article, "Attorneys Rally Around High Court's Gay Marriage Decision," special counsel [Damon W. Suden](#) provided comments regarding the U.S. Supreme Court's monumental ruling, declaring same-sex marriage legal in all 50 states. In a 5-4 vote, the Supreme Court decided that same-sex marriage is a Constitutional right in the United States. Mr. Suden said:

"In 1999, my political science thesis at MIT was a theoretical legal argument in favor of same-sex marriage — progressive for a time when no state recognized such marriages. Now, 16 years later, LGBT people have the constitutional right to get married. Justice Kennedy's opinion does more than simply expound on the law, it beautifully articulates the dignity of gay and lesbian people, the human desire for love and companionship, and the aspirational goals of marriage. This is the best of what the law can do and it makes me proud to be a lawyer, and proud to be gay."

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