



**The LGBT Bar Association of Greater New York (“LeGaL”)
Family & Matrimonial Law Section (the “FMLS”)**

The purpose of the FMLS is to bring together LeGaL members, whose practices focus on or who have an interest in, the ways in which the laws surrounding family creation, recognition, and dissolution uniquely affect the LGBT community, to discuss, address, and shape the law as it relates to the LGBT community and to provide a forum where practitioners can encourage, assist, and develop the skills of one another.

Steering Committee

The Family & Matrimonial Law Steering Committee (the “FMLC”) oversees the affairs of the FMLS, and, in close collaboration with the Executive Director, Legal Director, and Board of Directors of LeGaL, is engaged in the following activities:

1. Setting and managing the policies, priorities, and activities of the FMLC and the FMLS;
2. Developing and maintaining the FMLS page of the LeGaL website;
3. Facilitating, moderating, and overseeing the FMLS Discussion Group;
4. Planning and conducting continuing legal education programs to develop the knowledge and skills of family and matrimonial law attorneys;
5. Planning and hosting discussion forums and presentations in the areas of family and matrimonial law;
6. Formulating professional opinions with respect to family and matrimonial law as it relates to the LGBT community and serving as a resource to other organizations and the government in this area;
7. Reviewing, commenting upon, and initiating legislation/policy in the areas of family and matrimonial law; and
8. Conducting all such other activities as may be authorized by the Executive Director, Legal Director, and Board of Directors of LeGaL.