

Exercising Our Constitutional Right to Marry.

When we first wanted to marry, no nation would recognize our relationship as a lawful marriage. So we asserted our basic human rights outside of the jurisdiction of all nations.

We chartered a ship and took 300 guests -- family members, friends, and co-workers -- out to international waters where we exchanged our vows. We have been living happily as spouses ever since.

A few years later we registered as domestic partners with the City of West Hollywood. Then in 1990 we registered with the Secretary of State to declare that we are a family. While these registrations gave us some satisfaction, they still did not acknowledge us as spouses.

Although we are partners, and we are a family, we are also spouses and we want that official recognition too.

On May 15, 2008, the California Supreme Court ruled that same-sex couples have a constitutional right to marry in California just as opposite-sex couples do.

We have chosen to re-exercise our right to marry, now with the State of California issuing a certificate which bestows on us all the obligations and benefits of marriage.

The ceremony will occur in Palm Springs, with dozens of friends and family members celebrating this historic occasion with us.