LAWA690 Sexual Orientation, Gender Identity and the Law Jennifer Levi

First Assignment

Please read the majority opinion (J. Alito) in Dobbs v. Jackson:

https://www.supremecourt.gov/opinions/21pdf/19-1392 6j37.pdf. During out first class, we will discuss what this case means for foundational case law impacting LGBTQ people that has been built around the liberty, privacy, and sexual autonomy jurisprudence emerging from the due process clause of the 14th Amendment.

Ask yourself – does this opinion impact the right to marry for same-sex couples? Does it impact foundational case law protecting the sexual autonomy of LGBTQ people? If so, how? If not, why not?

We are starting in the deep-end of the pool for our first class. For those who prefer to start in the shallow end, we will get back there pretty quickly. But, first, a discussion of Dobbs. Please come with thoughts and perspectives that are grounded in the text, at least for starters.

See you first class!