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**The ACLU of Monterey County**

**Presents**

**A Public Forum**

**After 70 Years of LGBT Advocacy, What's Next?**

**With**

**Alex Cleghorn, ACLU Staff Attorney**

**ACLU of Northern California & ACLU Foundation  
Lesbian Gay Bisexual Transgender & AIDS Project**

**7:00 p.m., Tuesday, July 17**

**in the Community Room of the Monterey Public Library  
625 Pacific, Monterey**

**Free admission. For more information: 624-1180**

For more than seventy years, from challenging the 1935 ban of Lillian Hellman's play *The Children's Hour* because of its "lesbian content" to the current case before the California Supreme Court urging the Court to strike down the ban on same-sex marriage, the American Civil Liberties Union has been fighting for rights for the Lesbian Gay Bisexual Transgender community.

Alex Cleghorn, Staff Attorney for the ACLU of Northern California and ACLU Foundation, will discuss the ACLU's involvement in LGBT civil rights advocacy during the past seventy years as well as the current issues facing the LGBT community at a public forum on Tuesday, July 17, at 7:00 p.m. in the Community Room of the Monterey Public Library, 625 Pacific, Monterey. The forum is open to the public. Admission is free. For more information, call 624-1180.

Mr. Cleghorn has been involved in a number of current issues. He is representing the ACLU in the current case before the California Supreme Court asking the court to strike down the ban on same-sex marriage. He was also instrumental in getting the California Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation to allow domestic partners of prisoners to have family visitation rights. He is working on several issues involving young people: a youth in schools project to guarantee safe schools for LGBT students and a bill of rights for LGBTs in the juvenile justice system.

Mr. Cleghorn previously worked for California Indian Legal Services and was in private practice representing the interests of Native Americans. He has been a member of the Board of Directors for the Transgender Law Center since 2005.

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