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Robin Fretwell Wilson is the Class of 1958 Law Alumni Professor of Law at Washington and Lee University School of Law, where her scholarship focuses on family law, children and violence, and health care law. She is the editor of four recent books, including *Reconceiving the Family: Critical Reflections on the American Law Institute's Principles of the Law of Family Dissolution* (Cambridge University Press, 2006), *The Handbook of Children, Culture & Violence* (Sage Publications, 2006, with Nancy Dowd and Dorothy Singer), and *Same-Sex Marriage and Religious Liberty* (Rowman & Littlefield, 2008, with Douglas Laycock and Anthony Picarello). Her work has been featured in the *New York Times*, the *Washington Post*, the *Los Angeles Times* and the *Wall Street Journal*. A member of the American Law Institute, Professor Wilson has worked extensively on behalf of state law reform efforts. In 2007, she received the Citizen's Legislative Award for her work on changing Virginia's consent law. Professor Wilson is the immediate past chair of the Section on Family and Juvenile Law of the Association of American Law Schools.

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