"CORRECTIVE RAPE" OF LESBIANS IN THE ERA OF TRANSFORMATIVE CONSTITUTIONALISM IN SOUTH AFRICA*

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SUMMARY

There have been numerous incidents of “corrective” rape of lesbians in recent years. This article examines the adequacy of the existing South African legal framework to deal with incidents of “corrective” rape against the background of transformative constitutionalism. The various definitions of transformative constitutionalism and an understanding of heteronormativity are explored. The article proceeds to examine “corrective” rape and concludes with suggestions as to how legislation should make provision for “corrective” rape.

KEYWORDS: Corrective rape; transformative constitutionalism; heteronormativity

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