

Queering the Lone Star State
Episode 10 Essay Questions

How did attorney Paul Smith convince the US Supreme Court to overturn their 1986 decision in *Bowers v. Hardwick*? What arguments seemed to persuade the Court's justices? Do you find those arguments convincing? Use the audio of Paul Smith's oral arguments on Oyez.com in your answer.

How might the US Supreme Court's 2022 decision in *Dobbs v. Jackson Women's Health Organization* threaten the rights of LGBTQ Americans? Use Wesley Phelps's *Washington Post* essay and a few of the full interviews in your answer.