

Queering the Lone Star State
Episode 8 Essay Questions

How did violent events like the murders of John Griffin and Tommy Trimble contribute to the addition of sexual orientation to a hate crimes bill in the Texas legislature during the 1990s? Use Christopher Haight's article in the *Southwestern Historical Quarterly* in your answer.

In what ways did the plaintiffs in *Morales v. Texas* rely on the Texas state constitution in their attempt to eradicate the homosexual conduct law from the state penal code? How successful were these arguments in Texas state courts? Use the *Morales v. Texas* documents included on Casetext.com in your answer.