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To Be or Not to Be...a PARENT

If you're a parent who's explored either of these scenarios,

Are you a couple or a single lesbian wanting to have children? Will you adopt, utilize an anonymous sperm donor or ask a friend to co-parent? How do you find and gather all of the information and resources needed to make such an important decision? What are the challenges you've been confronted with when deciding? How extensive are the legal issues in each of these various scenarios? We'd like to hear your advice, experience or concerns.

considered parenting, an adoption specialist or an attorney specializing in assisting lesbians with these choices, we'd like to hear from you.

We're Waiting for Your Opinion Here!

Our team will select some of the most compelling comments and stories from women who have chosen to share their thoughts in the Discussion Board Forum. Please take a moment and tell us what life events have shaped your opinions and experiences regarding parenting. We'd like to hear from you!

Click here to visit our Discussion Board.

Resources for the Lesbian Mother(s)

Following are a number of books for women considering, or in the process of parenting. All of these books may be ordered through amazon.com.

The New Essential Guide to Lesbian Conception, Pregnancy, and Birth by Stephanie Brill, Preston Sacks (Foreword) (Paperback - July 1, 2006)

<u>Gay & Lesbian Parenting Choices: From Adopting or Using a Surrogate to Choosing the Perfect Father</u>

by Brette McWhorter Sember (Paperback - April 30, 2006)

<u>Families of Value: Personal Profiles of Pioneering Lesbian and Gay Parents</u> by Robert Bernstein (**Paperback** - April 10, 2005)

<u>The Family of Woman: Lesbian Mothers, Their Children, and the Undoing of</u> Gender

by Maureen Sullivan (Paperback - September 6, 2004)

The Complete Lesbian and Gay Parenting Guide

by Arlene Istar Lev (Paperback - November 2, 2004)

How It Feels to Have a Gay or Lesbian Parent: A Book by Kids for Kids of All Ages by Judith E., MA Snow (Paperback - October 2004)

The Essential Guide to Lesbian Conception, Pregnancy,

by Kim Toevs, Stephanie Brill (Paperback - February 1, 2002)

<u>For Lesbian Parents: Your Guide to Helping Your Family Grow Up Happy, Healthy, and Proud</u>

by Suzanne M. Johnson, Elizabeth O'Connor (Paperback - March 23, 2001)

Out of the Ordinary : Essays on Growing Up with Gay, Lesbian, and Transgender Parents

by Noelle Howey, et al (Paperback - August 10, 2000)

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George Bernard Shaw