

County clerk defying Supreme Court on gay marriage

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Interaction between a gay couple (David Ermold and David Moore)
and county clerk Kim Davis (Rowan County, KY)

1 ERMOLD: solutely ludicrous
2 (1.0)
3 ERMOLD Don't smile at [me
4 MOORE [Here she is
5 (0.5)
6 KIM: I did not smile
7 (2.0)
8 KIM I'm not being disrespectful to you
9 ERMOLD: You absolu[tely have disrespected us
10 MOORE: [you absolutely are, treating us as second class citizens=
11 KIM =[No I don't ((shaking her head))
12 MOORE =[is what you are doing, telling us that we don't deserve the same right rights
13 that you do think that you have
14 KIM: I'm saying that [you do-
15 MOORE: [and even though in your entire life-
16 (0.5)
17 MOORE Would you do this to an interracial couple?
18 (1.0)
19 KIM: A man and a woman, no ((smiling))
20 (2.0)
21 MOORE: How many times have you been married, Kim?
22 (0.5)
23 KIM: I just want you all to know that we are not issuing marriage licenses to[day=
24 OTHER: [Why
25 KIM: =pending
26 (0.5)
27 KIM [Hum
28 WOMAN [((yelling)) contempt to court
29 MOORE: What appeal is left?=
30 KIM: =Pending the appeal of [the Sixth Circuit↑
31 ERMOLD: [It's been denied
32 KIM: [The appeal stay has been denied, so
33 ERMOLD [The appeal for the sixth circuit has been denied
34 MOORE: Right, the induction is the order is that you are supposed to issue marriage
35 li[censes
36 KIM: [And we are not issuing marriage [licenses today.
37 MOORE: [The Supreme Court denied your stay
38 KIM: We are not issuing marriage licenses today [sir
39 MOORE: [Based on what?
40 KIM: I would ask you all [to [go ahead and-
41 MOORE: [Why are you [not issuing marriage licenses today?
42 (0.5)

43 KIM: Because, I'm not
44 MOORE: Wh[y
45 ERMOLD: [Under whose authority? (0.5) are you not issuing licen[ses?
46 KIM: [Under God's
47 authority ((looking defiantly at David Ermold))
48 OTHER Did the lawyers tell you-
49 MOORE: [Did God tell you to do this? Did God tell you how to treat us (.) like this?
50 ERMOLD: [I don't believe in your god. I don't believe in your god. I don't believe in
51 your [god
52 KIM: [((looking at Moore)) I've asked you all to leave, you are interrupting
53 [my business
54 MOORE: [You can call the police if you want us to leave
55 OTHER: It's not your business
56 MOORE You can call the police.
57 KIM [That's exactly right xxxxxxx ((speaking to another person on her left))
58 MOORE: [I'm paying you your salary ((pointing his index at her))
59 (0.5)
60 MOORE I PAY YOUR SALARY ((pointing his index at her and raising his voice))
61 ((Kim Davis makes a look expressing a form of surprise))
62 OTHER: We pay your salary
63 MOORE: I pay you to discriminate against me right now! ((Banging hand against the
64 counter)) that's what I'm paying for
65 ((Kim David reacts with a look implying "too bad for you"))
66 MOORE ((looking at his partner)) that's what I'm paying for. I'm paying for this memory
67 with my partner that I love, that I have been with for seventeen years. What's
68 the longest you've been with someone, that you've been married to someone?
69 ERMOLD: [((laughs))
70 KIM: [I'm asking you to lea:::ve.
71 MOORE: I'm not leaving
72 (.)
73 KIM: Okay, you all [so you could just push back away ((making a gesture with both
74 hands, imitating the action of pushing))
75 ERMOLD: [I'm asking you to do your job
76 KIM [you are all welcome to stay
77 MOORE: [I'm not leaving
78 MOORE: I'm not leaving
79 KIM: [just push back away from the counter
80 MOORE: [can't help with the pressure, here (.) no
81 ERMOLD: No, no
82 KIM: Just push back [away from the counter
83 ERMOLD: [We're not leaving until we have a license. (.) We're not
84 leav[ing until we have a license
85 KIM: [Then you're gonna have a long day.
86 OTHER: Do your job!
87 KIM: Good day ((leaves))
88 MOORE: We will call the police. I will ask them to arrest you
89 OTHER: Do your job! Do your job! Do your job
90 MOORE: CALL THE POLICE, CALL THE POLICE, GO AHEAD [I will ask them to
91 arrest you
92 ((applause)

93 OTHER: Do your job!

94 OTHER Coward

95 MOORE: YOU SHOULD BE ASHAMED OF YOURSELF! EVERYONE IN THIS
96 OFFICE SHOULD be ashamed of themselves. ((Ermold put his right hand on
97 Moore's left shoulder))

98 MOORE IS THIS WHAT YOU WANT TO REMEMBER?
99 (.)

100 MOORE IS THIS WHAT YOU WANT TO REMEMBER, THAT YOU STOOD UP
101 FOR THIS?

102 OLD CLERK xxxx Amen, yes sir ((pointing his right index to the ceiling))

103 MOORE: THAT YOUR CHILDREN WILL HAVE TO LOOK AT YOU AND
104 REALIZE THAT YOU ARE BIGGOTS ((knocking his fist on the counter))
105 ((Kim David gets out of her office and comes back to the counter))

106 MOORE AND THAT YOU DISCRIMINATED AGAINST PEOPLE?

107 OLD CLERK No, no [discrimination
108 MOORE [is that what you want of- [Is that what you want?
109 OLD CLERK: [xxxxfor God and God's word [and what he
110 told= ((raising his right hand toward the ceiling))

111 ERMOLD: =God (.) [does not belong in the county clerk's office
112 OTHER [God doesn't run the government!
113 OTHER God doesn't run the government!
114 OTHER: This is not a house of God!
115 MOORE: Call them, call the police (xxx). Call them now. ((Hits hand on the counter)).
116 KIM: [It's what you are
117 MOORE SOMEBODY CALL THEM
118 ERMOLD: Call them
119 KIM [David, David, listen to me
120 MOORE: [Call them call them I'm beyond listening to you
121 KIM: [David, please, listen to me
122 MOORE: [This is ridiculous
123 KIM: David, please, xxx just listen to me
124 OTHER: Do your job
125 MOORE: I don't, I don't care how polite you are-
126 OTHER: We've heard you
127 OTHER We've heard you
128 MOORE: -Or what you are feeling
129 KIM: I know you don't care
130 (.)
131 MOORE: You're not- this is not polite
132 KIM [This is- this is- [This is what I want to do
133 MOORE: [I would never do this to someone, what you are
134 doing to us, I would never (.) do to someone
135 KIM: You believe passionately in wh[at you are doing as I do, okay, as I do
136 MOORE: [You do not understand what you are doing to
137 people
138 PARTNER 2: But you are forcing religion on other people
139 MOORE: ((Turning towards crowd)) Can you guys shut up?
140 (1.0)
141 MOORE You're the press, so shut up.
142 PARTNER 1 No we're waiting for a [license too

193 KIM: That's (.) exactly, exactly ((raising her finger in Moore's direction))
194 MOORE: You have the right to your beliefs
195 KIM: Exactly, so it what [you all are trying to accomplish
196 MOORE: [you don't have the right to take away our rights based on
197 your beliefs.
198 KIM: is to get a marriage license, you can go anywhere in the surrounding areas
199 MOORE: We are trying to get a marriage license and we are going to stay until you give
200 it to us
201 PARTNER 2: We do not have to go to another county
202 KIM: You don't live in Rowan County
203 MOORE: It's legal in our county
204 KIM: That's ok
205 ((confusion from 4:31 to 4:35))
206 ERMOLD: Let me ask you one question
207 KIM: We're done here
208 ERMOLD: No please, let me ask you one question
209 KIM: We're done
210 ERMOLD: One question
211 KIM: If you want-
212 MOORE: It's gonna take five year to sue you, [that's all it's gonna take out of my life
213 ERMOLD: [David, let me ask her a question
214 MOORE: I don't want that
215 ERMOLD: Let me ask her a question
216 KIM: I don't want you to be put out anymore that, I don't [want to be put out
217 anymore than that
218 ERMOLD: [will you please let me ask
219 her a question
220 MOORE: Ask her a question
221 (0.5)
222 ERMOLD: Yo[u have one deputy clerk
223 KIM: [There is a remedy, there is a remedy to this
224 ERMOLD: I I would like to ask you a question
225 KIM: If the governor would do what he is supposed to do, he could settle all this