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Professor Marcossan joined the University of Louisville's Brandeis School of Law in 1996. He teaches courses in Constitutional law, Sexual Orientation and the Law, Civil Rights, Employment Discrimination and Criminal Law. His research and writing has concentrated on constitutional law (especially the Fourteenth Amendment), and the civil rights issues facing lesbians, gay men, bisexuals, and transgendered people. He founded one of the university's first LGBT student groups, the Lambda Law Caucus. He has served on the Board of Directors of the National Lesbian and Gay Legal Association. From 2008-2014, he served on the Coordinating Committee of the Fairness Campaign, Louisville's long-standing LGBT civil rights organization. In 2013, he began service on the Kentucky State Advisory Committee for the United States Commission on Civil Rights.

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