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Speaker 1:

In North Carolina, you need to be married for the names to automatically go on the birth certificate. Again, having your name on the birth certificate is not going to create legal parentage. It is evidence of parentage but is not the legal parentage. So we often get a call that someone will say "Well, my wife and I..." it's a lesbian married couple, "We're going to go on the birth certificate so we don't need to do anything else." Actually you do need to do something else. You need to have the appropriate legal document establishing parentage.