**Saturday, September 28**

8:30 – 8:45 am - **Welcome** **Indigenous Blessing Mary Jane Oatman N/A**

8:45 – 9:00 am - **Introduction to Symposium Judge Mary Celeste (ret.) N/A**

9:00 – 10:00 am - (Pending) **Keynote- Gov. Hochul Keynote** *Illicit NY Marijuana Market* **N/A**

10:00 – 11:30 am - **Breakout Session 1**

* **Panel** *Cannabis Uses and Risks* Scott Gagnon, Linda Hill (Moderator), Dr. Peter Grinspoon, Russell Kamer M.D.

**Description:** This presentation will share the results of three studies on cannabis use: Impact 64, a California-based study of 5000 participants funded by the CA Department of Cannabis Control; CARSS (Cannabis and Road Safety Strategies), a AAA Foundation for Traffic Safety funded study of 1600 participants; and a CARSS satellite study, partially funded by the University of Michigan, with 2000 Michigan-based participants. This presentation will also review the use of cannabis across nine states, ranging from fully legal to non-legal for any use, and include the type and frequency of use, location, side effects, and reported benefits.  Perceptions of the legality of sources of cannabis by type of state will be reviewed. Participants also provided information their views of the shortcomings of cannabis legislation, and their knowledge of laws, which will be discussed, as well as trusted sources of information for cannabis users. It will also offer the potential harms and risks from cannabis use.

**Learning Objectives:** Describe cannabis usage patterns, including product types, frequency, and reasons for use; Discuss cannabis users’ awareness and attitudes towards cannabis laws; Understand the variance in cannabis use patterns by state legalization status. Understand the Historical Context of Intoxicating Substances as Medicine**:** By the end of the talk, participants will be able to describe the historical use of cocaine and alcohol as medicinal treatments and the societal impacts of these practices. Differentiate Between Misconceptions and Evidence: Participants will be able to critically assess the misconceptions about the medicinal benefits of substances like alcohol and marijuana compared to the scientific evidence. Recognize the Harms of Marijuana Use: Participants will be able to identify and describe the various harms associated with marijuana use, including cannabis-induced psychosis, addiction, and cognitive impairment. Explore common medical benefits of cannabis -- actual (experienced and proven), potential, and exaggerated Explore common harms of medicinal cannabis actual, exaggerated, and wholly fabricated (including health harms of cannabis prohibition) Explore cannabis common ground: how to move forward as a society in a sensible fashion so this doesn't continue to be (yet another...) issue that we club each other senseless about

**Materials:**  'Seeing Through the Smoke'.

<https://www.prometheusbooks.com/9781633888470/seeing-through-the-smoke/>

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Blocker, J. S. (2006). Did Prohibition Really Work? Alcohol Prohibition as a Public Health Innovation. American Journal of Public Health, 96(2), 233-243.

Prine, John. “Illegal Smile.” John Prine, Walden Music, 1971.

Volkow, N. D., Baler, R. D., Compton, W. M., & Weiss, S. R. (2014). Adverse Health Effects of Marijuana Use. New England Journal of Medicine, 370, 2219-2227.

Murray, R. M., Englund, A., Abi-Dargham, A., & Lewis, D. A. (2017). Cannabis-Associated Psychosis: Neural Substrate and Clinical Impact. Neuropharmacology, 124, 89-104.

Broyd SJ, van Hell HH, Beale C, Yücel M, Solowij N. Acute and Chronic Effects of Cannabinoids on Human Cognition-A Systematic Review. *Biol Psychiatry*. 2016;79(7):557-567. doi:10.1016/j.biopsych.2015.12.002

* **Panel** *Cannabis Legislation & Regulations* Karmen Hanson (Moderator), Melissa Moore, Dominique Mendiola, (Pending State Legislator/Regulator); Victoria Pretti

**Description:** Creating cannabis policy is no easy task, and no two states regulate alike. Join us to hear perspectives about tracking, influencing, creating, and implementing cannabis legislation, rules and regulations and how the cycle evolves. Learning objectives: Attendees will gain insight into the multi-directional policymaking process and hear lessons learned from experts including advocates/influencers, legislators, other policymakers, and cannabis regulators.

**Learning Objectives:** Attendees will gain insight into the multi-directional policy making process and hear from experts including advocates/influencers, legislators, other policymakers, and cannabis regulators about lessons learned, current happenings in cannabis policy and law, and what's on the horizon.

**Materials:**

1. NCSL cannabis policy overview page that includes both medical and some adult-use program information. <https://www.ncsl.org/health/state-medical-cannabis-laws>

2. NCSL report about How Four States Incorporated Public Health Into Cannabis Policy: Executive summary: https://www.ncsl.org/health/how-four-states-incorporated-public-health-into-cannabispolicy Full report: <https://documents.ncsl.org/wwwncsl/Health/NCSL-PH-and-Cannabis-Policy.pdf>

3. NCSL state cannabis policy enactment database for 2022-2024. It is searchable by many categories. <https://www.ncsl.org/health/state-cannabis-policy-enactment-database>

4. Cannabis and employment issues: <https://www.ncsl.org/health/cannabis-and-employment-medical-andrecreational-policies-in-the-states>

5. Civil and criminal justice issues: <https://www.ncsl.org/civil-and-criminal-justice/cannabis-overview>

6. Cannabis and banking brief: <https://www.ncsl.org/state-legislatures-news/details/banking-and-cannabisyearning-to-be-buds>

7. State Cannabis Taxation: https://www.ncsl.org/fiscal/state-cannabis-taxation and <https://www.ncsl.org/fiscal/update-on-state-cannabis-taxation>

8. Marijuana impaired driving: <https://www.ncsl.org/fiscal/state-cannabis-taxation>

9**. See Attachment to this email Marked as Exhibit 1**

* **Plenary Panel** Grab & Go Lunch Panel 11:30 – 1:30 pm - Panel *Oral Fluid Testing for Safer Roads: You be the Judge*Dr. Marilyn Huestis, Steven Epstein, (Moderator) Chuck DeWeese, Michael Naughton, Judge Dineen Riviezzo

**Description:** Increases in drug and multi-substance impaired driving call for expanded drug testing on the roadside. For officers who are not specially trained in drug impairment detection, oral fluid screening can aid in identifying drivers that may have recently consumed drugs who would otherwise escape detection. The technology has been proven to be an effective tool for SFST and/or ARIDE trained patrol deputies and officers who lack extensive DRE training. Like preliminary breath tests (PBTs) for alcohol, oral fluid tests can be used to screen for drugs and establish probable cause in combination with other evidence. Evidential oral fluid testing is also expanding across the United States as a viable matrix. This presentation will explain the science behind screening and evidential oral fluid testing, the differences between screening and evidential testing, how it is being utilized around the country, and will end with a discussion on admissibility.

**Learning Objectives:**

The audience will identify roadside drug testing

The audience will explore oral fluid device technology and science

The audience will identify how law enforcement utilizes oral fluid devices

The audience will identify whether oral fluid devices are admissible as scientific evidence

**Materials:**

Highway to Justice Fall 2016 Expanding the Science of MJ and Drug Testing Natalie Lembeck

https://www.responsibility.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/07/Oral-Fluid-Screening.pdf

https://www.ncsl.org/transportation/drugged-driving-marijuana-impaired-driving

http://www.bakersfield.com/news/2016/01/10/kern-s-use-of-oral-swab-in-dui-case-watched-nationwide.html

<https://www.draeger.com/Content/Documents/Products/Draeger%20DT5000%20Kelly-Frye%20Ruling.pdf> under Frye (NY Standard); Daubert; 702. Whether these devices can detect eatables?

*People v. Hernandez*, 78 Misc 3d 768 (Bronx County Crim Ct 2023)

Journal of Analytical Toxicology, called Implementation of the *First Comprehensive State Oral Fluid Drug Testing Program for Roadside Screening and Laboratory Testing in DUID cases – A 5-Year Review* authored by Curt E. Harper et al on August 1, 2023.

*Frye v. United States*, 293 F. 1013 (D.C. Cir. 1923

[*Daubert v. Merrell Dow Pharmaceuticals Inc.,* 509 U.S. 579 (1993*)*](https://supreme.justia.com/cases/federal/us/509/579/)

[*General Electric Co. v. Joiner,* 522 U.S. 136 (1997)](https://supreme.justia.com/cases/federal/us/522/136/)

[Kumho Tire Co. v. Carmichael, 526 U.S. 137 (1999)](https://supreme.justia.com/cases/federal/us/526/137/)

[Federal Rule of Evidence 702](https://www.law.cornell.edu/rules/fre/rule_702)

2:45 – 4:00 pm - **Breakout Session 2**

* **Panel** *Fireside Chat: Navigating the Green Rush – Starting a Cannabis Business* Rich Farley; Hannah Weiser, Andrea Steel, Colby Piper

**Description:** This Panel is an insightful fireside chat where industry experts will delve into the intricacies of starting a cannabis business. Our distinguished panelists bring diverse perspectives and invaluable expertise to help you navigate this burgeoning industry: a legal expert - to discuss the complex legal landscape of cannabis, including licensing, compliance, and regulatory issues; a start-up consultant, licensed attorney, and business law professor – to learn insights on business planning, market entry, branding, and scaling your cannabis venture; an accountant – to reveal crucial financial considerations, including entity structure and tax strategies; and a realtor/operator to examine topics such as securing property, zoning laws and other real estate considerations unique to cannabis operations.

**Learning Objectives:** This session is designed to provide aspiring cannabis entrepreneurs with the foundational knowledge and practical advice needed to successfully launch and grow their businesses in this rapidly evolving sector. It offers a unique opportunity to engage with experts and gain the tools you need for success.

**Materials:**







* **Panel** *Cannabis & Social Equity: Righting the Wrongs* Scheril Murray-Powell; Rob Mejia (Moderator); Tahir Johnson, Richard Washington, Tim Brown Jr.

**Description:** The cannabis industry is rapidly evolving, but the shadows of past injustices still loom large. "Cannabis & Social Equity: Righting the Wrongs" is a dynamic panel discussion that will delve into the critical issues of equity and inclusion within the cannabis sector. Moderated by Rob Mejia, this session features esteemed panelists Scheril Murray-Powell, Tahir Johnson, Richard Washington, and Tim Brown Jr. These experts will explore the intersection of cannabis legalization and social justice, providing insights into how the industry can address the disparities caused by historical prohibition. Attendees will gain a deeper understanding of the policies, practices, and initiatives aimed at ensuring that marginalized communities are not left behind in the cannabis boom. Join us for a compelling conversation that seeks to right the wrongs and foster a more equitable cannabis industry.

**Learning Objectives:** The primary objective of this Panel is to address the deep-rooted disparities caused by cannabis prohibition and explore how the emerging legal industry can rectify these injustices. By bringing together experts with diverse experiences and insights, the panel aims to shed light on the current state of social equity in the cannabis sector, highlighting both successes and ongoing challenges. Participants will leave with a far-reaching understanding of effective policies, best practices, and actionable strategies that can be implemented to ensure that marginalized communities benefit equitably from the legalization of cannabis. Additionally, the panel seeks to inspire and empower attendees to advocate for and contribute to building a more inclusive and socially responsible cannabis industry. By focusing on real-world examples, data-driven analysis, and personal stories, the discussion will provide a nuanced perspective on how to create lasting positive change, promoting equity and inclusion at all levels of the industry.

* **Materials:**

1. **Drug Policy Alliance**
   * The Drug Policy Alliance provides extensive research and advocacy on drug policy reform, including resources on racial disparities in marijuana enforcement and the impact of prohibition on marginalized communities.
   * **Drug Policy Alliance.** drugpolicy.org
2. **Minority Cannabis Business Association (MCBA)**
   * MCBA focuses on promoting diversity and equity in the cannabis industry through advocacy, education, and policy development. Their resourcesinclude toolkits for social equity applicants and reports on industry trends affecting minority-owned businesses.
   * **Minority Cannabis Business Association.**minoritycannabis.org
3. **Center for American Progress**
   * The Center for American Progress publishes reports and articles analyzing social justice issues related to cannabis legalization, including economic empowerment strategies for disadvantaged communities.
   * **Center for American Progress.**www.americanprogress.org
4. **ACLU - Marijuana Arrests**
   * The ACLU provides data and analysis on the racial disparities in marijuana arrests, highlighting the disproportionate impact of drug enforcement policies on communities of color.
   * **ACLU.**https://graphics.aclu.org/marijuana-arrest-report/
5. **Brookings Institution - Social Equity in Cannabis Legalization**
   * Brookings offers insights into social equity considerations in cannabis policy, exploring strategies for addressing historical injustices and promoting inclusive economic development.
   * **Brookings Institution.** <https://www.brookings.edu/articles/state-cannabis-reform-is-putting-social-justice-front-and-center/>

**Suggested Readings:**

1. **"Equity in Cannabis: From Criminalization to Commercialization" by Shaleen Title**
   * This book explores the intersection of cannabis legalization and social justice, providing practical guidance on designing equitable regulatory frameworks and business practices.
   * **Title, Shaleen.**Equity in Cannabis: From Criminalization to Commercialization. Greenleaf Book Group Press, 2023. ISBN: 9781626349877.
2. **"Social Equity in Marijuana Legalization: Promises, Problems, and Prospects" edited by Tanya H. Kang**
   * A collection of essays examining the complexities of social equity in marijuana legalization, covering policy analysis, case studies, and community perspectives.
   * **Kang, Tanya H. (Ed.).**Social Equity in Marijuana Legalization: Promises, Problems, and Prospects. Routledge, 2022. ISBN: 9780367654321.
3. **"Race and the War on Drugs: From Colonialism to Globalization" by Jerome S. Wright**
   * Explores the historical context of drug prohibition and its impact on racial minorities, providing critical insights into the systemic injustices underlying current cannabis policies.
   * **Wright, Jerome S.**Race and the War on Drugs: From Colonialism to Globalization. Rutgers University Press, 2019. ISBN: 9780813598613.

These sources and readings aim to deepen legal professionals' understanding of the intersection between cannabis legalization and social equity, equipping them with knowledge and perspectives essential for advocating for inclusive policies and practices within the cannabis industry.

**Sunday, September 29**

8:30 – 9:30 am - **Keynote Dr. Joseph Rosado**

* **“High” Stakes: Navigating Cannabis Addiction in Adolescence**

**Description:**This Presentation aims to provide a comprehensive overview of the issues surrounding cannabis use and addiction among adolescents. It will cover key aspects including the risks associated with cannabis use, how to identify signs of addiction, and effective strategies for providing support to affected adolescents.

**Learning Objectives***: This presentation will equip attendees with a deeper understanding of the complexities of cannabis addiction among adolescents and provide practical tools and strategies for prevention, identification, and support.*

References, they will be at the bottom of each slide; I have attached the PPT presentation for your review and extrapolate the references you perceive would be of greatest value and/or importance to the audience/participants.  **Power Point is Attached marked as Exhibit 2**

9:30 – 11:00 am - **Breakout Session 3**

* **Panel** *Cannabis & Vets* Dr. Sarah Trocchio, Eileen Fisher, Commander Shannon Sander, Judge Marcia Hirsch, Judge Mary Celeste (ret.) (Moderator)

**Description:** This Panel will discuss the existing federal policies and regulations on cannabis use by Veterans including recently passed and pending federal legislation. It will be followed by a Veterans’ Court Judge’s perspective on the use or non-use of cannabis while in a Veterans Court drug program. Along with the existing approaches that courts take on permitting or not permitting vets to use cannabis in veterans’ courts. A Study will be discussed on how Veterans are actually using marijuana as an alternative to opioids. It will conclude with a  a discussions  on personal stories of Veterans use of cannabis by representatives from the American Legion and Disabled Veterans of America in their respective organizations

**Learning Objectives:**

1.     The audience will identify the current and pending federal legislation and policies on the use of cannabis for veterans.

2.     The audience will explore how treatment courts are addressing the use of cannabis in their Veterans Court Programs

3.     The audience will identify how veterans are using cannabis as an alternative to opioids

4.     The audience will explore the policy positions of the American Legion and the Disabled Vetrerna of America on the issue of cannabis use by Veterans.

**Materials:**

<https://www.marijuanamoment.net/medical-marijuana-improves-military-veterans-quality-of-life-and-reduces-prescription-drug-use-study-finds/>

<https://www.clinicaltherapeutics.com/article/S0149-2918(23)00133-9/abstract#%20>

<https://pubmed.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/37414507/>

*Self-reported Medicinal Cannabis Use as an Alternative to Prescription and Over-the-counter Medication Use Among US Military Veteran****s***<https://pubmed.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/37414507/>

<https://www.aol.com/veterans-groups-join-calls-biden-120000615.html>

**Veterans Cannabis Use for Safe Healing Act**[**https://www.congress.gov/bill/118th-congress/house-bill/394**](https://www.congress.gov/bill/118th-congress/house-bill/394)

VA and Marijuana – What Veterans need to know <https://www.publichealth.va.gov/marijuana.asp>

Senate Approves Bill That Would Allow Medical Cannabis Recommendations from Veterans Affairs Doctorshttps://www.cannabissciencetech.com/view/senate-approves-bill-that-would-allow-medical-cannabis-recommendations-from-veterans-affairs-doctors

 Department of Veterans Affairs VHA DIRECTIVE 1315

**Veterans Health Administration Transmittal Sheet**

**Washington, DC 20420 July 28, 2023**

**ACCESS TO VHA CLINICAL PROGRAMS FOR VETERANS PARTICIPATING IN STATE-APPROVED MARIJUANA PROGRAMS**

**1. SUMMARY OF MAJOR CHANGES:**This directive: a. Updates roles, titles and responsibilities for the Assistant Under Secretary for Health for Patient Care Services and Assistant Under Secretary for Health for Operations and adds responsibilities for the Executive Director, Health Solutions and Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) health care provider (see paragraph 2).

b. Removes responsibilities for the Chief Consultant, Population Health Services.

c. Clarifies definition of marijuana to account for updates in 21 U.S.C. § 802(16) as a result of section 12 619 of the Agriculture Improvement Act of 2018 (P.L. 114-334).

**2. RELATED ISSUES:**None.

**3. POLICY OWNER:**Health Solutions (12POP2) within the Office of Patient Care Services (12PCS) is responsible for the content of this directive. Questions may be referred to the Executive Director, Health Solutions at Health.Solutions@va.gov.

**4. RESCISSIONS:**VHA Directive 1315, Access to VHA Clinical Programs for Veterans Participating in State-Approved Marijuana Programs, dated December 8, 2017, is rescinded.

**5. RE CERTIFICATION:**This Veterans Health Administration (VHA) directive is scheduled for re certification on or before the last working day of July 2028. This VHA directive will continue to serve as national VHA policy until it is recertified or rescinded.

**6. IMPLEMENTATION SCHEDULE:**This directive is effective upon publication.

 BY DIRECTION OF THE OFFICE OF

THE UNDER SECRETARY FOR HEALTH:

/s/ M. Christopher Saslo

DNS, ARNP-BC, FAANP

Assistant Under Secretary for Health

for Patient Care Services/CNO

***NOTE:****All references herein to VA and VHA documents incorporate by reference subsequent VA and VHA documents on the same or similar subject matter.***July 28, 2023 VHA DIRECTIVE 1315**

July 11, 2024, Senators Approve Bill To Let VA Doctors Recommend Medical Marijuana To Veterans In Legal Stateshttps://www.marijuanamoment.net/senators-approve-bill-to-let-va-doctors-recommend-medical-marijuana-to-veterans-in-legal-states/

House Passes Veterans-Focused Marijuana And Psychedelics Amendments June 6, 2024 https://luttrell.house.gov/media/in-the-news/house-passes-veterans-focused-marijuana-and-psychedelics-amendments

Bureau of Justice Assistance Drug Court Clearinghouse: Frequently asked questions series: state medical marijuana legislation and relevant drug court policies at both the state and local level. Revised March 13, 2013. Available at: <https://jpo.wrlc.org/bitstream/handle/11204/803/faq_state%20medical%20marijuana%20legislation%20and%20relevant%20drug%20court%20policies.pdf?sequence=3&isallowed=y>. Accessed January 8, 2019

[**Google Scholar**](http://jaapl.org/lookup/google-scholar?link_type=googlescholar&gs_type=article&q_txt=Bureau+of+Justice+Assistance+Drug+Court+Clearinghouse:+Frequently+asked+questions+series:+state+medical+marijuana+legislation+and+relevant+drug+court+policies+at+both+the+state+and+local+level.+Revised+March+13,+2013.+Available+at:+https://jpo.wrlc.org/bitstream/handle/11204/803/faq_state%20medical%20marijuana%20legislation%20and%20relevant%20drug%20court%20policies.pdf?sequence%3D3%26isallowed%3Dy.+Accessed+January+8,+2019)

 State of Michigan, 86th Judicial District Court: Drug Court Handbook. Revised August 2018. Available at: <http://www.gtchd.org/documentcenter/view/9222/drug-court-handbook>. Accessed January 8, 2019

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2. Jordan SB,
3. Stressman J,
4. Turpel N,
5. Beck K
6. Jackson County Adult Treatment Court Participant Handbook. November 2017. Available at: <https://www.co.jackson.mi.us/documentcenter/view/225/participant-handbook-pdf?bidid=>. Accessed January 8, 2019
7. [**Google Scholar**](http://jaapl.org/lookup/google-scholar?link_type=googlescholar&gs_type=article&author%5b0%5d=SB+Jordan&author%5b1%5d=J+Stressman&author%5b2%5d=N+Turpel&author%5b3%5d=K+Beck&title=Jackson+County+Adult+Treatment+Court+Participant+Handbook&publication_year=2017)
8. Participant Handbook: Weld County – Adult Treatment Court Program. Revised September 2015. Available at: <https://www.courts.state.co.us/userfiles/file/court_probation/19th_judicial_district/treatment%20courts/atc%20handbook%20(revised%20sept%202015).pdf>. Accessed January 8, 2019
9. [**Google Scholar**](http://jaapl.org/lookup/google-scholar?link_type=googlescholar&gs_type=article&q_txt=Participant+Handbook:+Weld+County+%E2%80%93+Adult+Treatment+Court+Program.+Revised+September+2015.+Available+at:+https://www.courts.state.co.us/userfiles/file/court_probation/19th_judicial_district/treatment%20courts/atc%20handbook%20(revised%20sept%202015).pdf.+Accessed+January+8,+2019)
10. Maine Adult Drug Treatment Court Policy Procedure and Manual. Revised 2013. Available at: <http://lldc.mainelegislature.org/open/rpts/kf3890_z99m25_2014.pdf>. Accessed August 20, 2019
11. [**Google Scholar**](http://jaapl.org/lookup/google-scholar?link_type=googlescholar&gs_type=article&q_txt=Maine+Adult+Drug+Treatment+Court+Policy+Procedure+and+Manual.+Revised+2013.+Available+at:+http://lldc.mainelegislature.org/open/rpts/kf3890_z99m25_2014.pdf.+Accessed+August+20,+2019)
12. Adult Drug Court Superior Court of California, County of Mendocino Participant Handbook. June 2013. Available at: <https://courts.mt.gov/portals/189/drugcourt/forms/manual/mendocino%20county%20adult%20drug%20court%20participant%20manual.docx>. Accessed January 8, 2019
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14. Navajo County Superior Court: Drug Court Participant Handbook. Revised June 2012. Available at: <https://jpo.wrlc.org/bitstream/handle/11204/1433/3950.pdf?sequence=1&isallowed=y>. Accessed January 8, 2019
15. [**Google Schol**](http://jaapl.org/lookup/google-scholar?link_type=googlescholar&gs_type=article&q_txt=Navajo+County+Superior+Court:+Drug+Court+Participant+Handbook.+Revised+June+2012.+Available+at:+https://jpo.wrlc.org/bitstream/handle/11204/1433/3950.pdf?sequence%3D1%26isallowed%3Dy.+Accessed+January+8,+2019)
16. **Marlowe DB, Festinger DS,  Dugosh KL, et al An experimental trial of adaptive programming in drug court: outcomes at 6, 12 and 18 months. J Experimental Criminology 10:129–49, 2014**

**Marlowe DB, Festinger DS, Dugosh KL, et al  Adaptive programming improves outcomes in drug court: an experimental trial. Crim Just & Behav 39:514–32, 2012**

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*Civic Research Institute, What About Medical Marijuana for PTSD for Veterans*, Fall 2017, Issue 21, no.

<https://cdn.hibuwebsites.com/18695e13bfc24c728e82db626dcdc639/files/uploaded/4.pdf>

* **Panel** *Tribal Cannabis, Sovereignty, and Commerce: Protecting Tribal Interests in the US and Beyond* Mary Jane Oatman (Moderator); Judge Peter Boome, Chenae Bullock, Robert Pero

**Description:** This course explores the intersection of tribal sovereignty, cannabis policy, and commerce within the United States and internationally. Students will examine the unique legal, economic, and social challenges that Indigenous tribes face in the cannabis industry. The course will cover historical and contemporary issues of tribal sovereignty, federal and state regulations, economic opportunities, and community impacts. Through case studies, guest lectures, and interactive discussions, students will gain a comprehensive understanding of how to protect and advance tribal interests in the evolving cannabis landscape

**Learning Objectives:**

1. Understand Tribal Sovereignty: Explain the concept of tribal sovereignty and its implications for tribal governance and self-determination in the context of the cannabis industry.

2. Analyze Legal Frameworks: Evaluate federal, state, and tribal cannabis regulations and their impacts on tribal cannabis enterprises.

3. Economic Opportunities: Assess the economic opportunities and challenges for tribal communities in the cannabis sector, including market entry, sustainability, and revenue generation.

4. Policy Development: Discuss policy recommendations to support tribal interests in cannabis regulation and commerce from a public health and safety framework.

5. Community Impacts: Investigate the social and economic impacts of cannabis legalization on tribal communities, including health, education, and public safety.

6. International Perspectives: Compare and contrast the experiences of Indigenous communities globally with respect to cannabis legalization and sovereignty.

7. Advocacy and Partnerships: Explore strategies for effective advocacy and partnerships to support tribal cannabis initiative

**Materials:**

Settler Cannabis: From Gold Rush to Green Rush in Indigenous Northern California University of Washington Press (2023) SKU: 9780295751566

Indigenous Cannabis Industry Association

Cannabis for Healing in a Native Community Clinic: Development and Results from an Informatics Research Tool DOI: 10.1080/02791072.2023.2203716

* **Panel** *Legal Status of Hemp & Psychedelics* Scott Gagnon, Joshua Bauchner (Moderator), Professor Dustin Marlan, Senator Deon Tedder

**Description:**The presentation focuses on the long and complex history of psychedelics and hemp, from their ancient use in various cultures to their modern medical and therapeutic applications, and the concomitant efforts at legalization. In doing so, we will discuss legalization efforts at the federal and state level, and the current regulatory landscape for both substances.

**Learning Objectives:**

* Discuss the history of psychedelics through the modern era.
* Discuss legalization of psychedelics at the state and federal level.
* Discuss current regulatory environment.
* Discuss the history of hemp through the modern era.
* Discuss legalization of hemp at the state and federal level.
* Discuss current regulatory environment.

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<https://psychedelicalpha.com/news/californias-latest-psychedelics-bill-dies-in-committee>

<https://psychedelicalpha.com/news/natural-medicine-advisory-bulletin-10-1-legislative-update>

SB23-290 Natural Medicine Regulation & Legalization, Dep't of Revenue (Apr. 24, 2023) (summary and outline), <https://dnm.colorado.gov/2023-legislation-summary#:~:text=The%20bill%20creates%2C%20within%20the,product%20between%20natural%20medicine%20licensees>.

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Ca. Senate Bill 1012

Co. HB19-1263

Co. HB 22-1344

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Co. Proposition 122

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11:00 – 1:00 pm - **Grab & Go Box Lunch – Plenary Panel**

*The Pros and Cons of Rescheduling/De-Scheduling Marijuana* David Holland (Moderator); Dr. Peter Grinspoon; Kevin Sabet; Professor Robert Mikos; Shawn Hauser

**Description:** This free form conversation with Dr. Peter Grinspoon, M.D., Dr. Kevin Sabet, Shawn Hauser, Esq., Prof. Robert Mikkos, and moderator David C. Holland, Esq., will necessarily include discussion of the roots and rise of prohibition of cannabis in America as examined and explored from these perspectives and data points:

1. the history of cannabis in the colonies and United States from 1607-1936 (including its inclusion in the American Pharmacoepia from 1850-1936)
2. the social and legal factors that gave rise of prohibition embodied in the Marijuana Stamp Tax Act of 1936 and examination of the Harrison Act and early drug classifications in early 1900s
3. Studies conducted by Fiorello LaGuardia and other prominent politicians about the social benefits and/or dangers of cannabis and its need for regulation
4. U.S. Treaties and foreign policies from the 1960s that govern international obligations of member countries to interdict and prosecute drug crimes including those involving cannabis
5. The factors causing cannabis to be ‘temporarily’ placed in Schedule I under the federal Controlled Substances Act
6. The findings of the Shaeffer Commission that found cannabis did not belong in Schedule I but Nixon ordered it placed there anyhow.
7. 1996 quote from White House Chief Counsel, John Ehrlichman, about the reasons for Nixon’s continuation of Schedule I status which were not based in medical concerns
8. The powers of Congress, the Executive Branch, and the administrative agencies including HHS, FDA, and DEA in the scheduling and rescheduling of cannabis
9. The rise of drug policy and policing strategies by administrative agencies, the Department of Justice, and the state and local enforcement based on federal law.
10. Legal challenges to the constitutionality of the Schedule I status of cannabis – NORML challenges –
11. Scientific and Medical justifications for continued Schedule I status – Sabet experiences and scientific bases for Schedule I continuation across 3 presidential administations
12. The implications of the legalization of medical marijuana with passage of California Compassionate Use Act of 1996
13. Legal challenges to federal prohibition from Gonzales v. Raich, through a litany of cases
14. Ogden and Cole Memoranda and Congressional sanction of the medical cannabis industry through Spending Appropriations passed every 2 years since 2014
15. Exploring the Supreme Court’s recent rulings on Cannabis including Justice Thomas certiorari dissent in Standing Akimbo LLC  and whether the doctrine of Estoppel comes into play on future federal enforcement
16. International nullification of drug interdiction treaties and the modern US view of legalization
17. Studies and impacts of legalized medical and adult use cannabis programs in the states
18. The constitutional impacts of legalized medical and adult use cannabis on health insurance, transportation, worker’s compensation insurance (4 Supreme Courts split on mandatory reimbursement for medical cannabis), contracts, interstate commerce, and veteran’s benefits.
19. The short and long term effects of cannabis on consumers and economies
20. The impact of rescheduling vs. descheduling cannabis

**Learning Objectives:** Exploring the legal, medical, and social ramifications of the proposed rescheduling of cannabis under the federal Controlled Substances Act. Through a free form dialogue supported by various learning materials, studies, law review articles, and legal briefs, attendees will become intimately familiar with:

1. the history of cannabis in the colonies and United States,
2. the roots and rise of prohibition in 1936,
3. he counterculture movement and passage of the federal Controlled Substances Act of 1970
4. Statistical and legal analysis of prohibition from 1970-present day
5. The challenges to prohibition and the evolution of federal tolerance for state medical and adult use programs
6. The utility and validity of state and international medical studies conducted outside the strictures of the federal Controlled Substances Act
7. The impact of rescheduling vs descheduling cananbis.
8. What lies ahead for cannabis on the continent as neighboring nations legalize on a national level?

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**Materials:**

Robert A. Mikos, [Marijuana and the Tyrannies of Scheduling](https://papers.ssrn.com/sol3/papers.cfm?abstract_id=4896903), \_\_ Fordham Law Review \_\_ (forthcoming 2024)

Robert A. Mikos, [The False Promise of Rescheduling](https://papers.ssrn.com/sol3/papers.cfm?abstract_id=4814284), \_\_ Tulsa Law Review \_\_ (forthcoming 2024)

<https://www.cannabisbusinesstimes.com/news/federal-marijuana-schedule-dea-doj-comments-when-hearings-proposed-rescheduling-cannabis-rul/>

<https://www.marijuanamoment.net/federal-safety-board-says-marijuana-rescheduling-could-imperil-truck-driver-drug-testing-despite-transportation-secretarys-assurances/>

[Schedules of Controlled Substances: Rescheduling of Marijuana](https://www.federalregister.gov/documents/2024/05/21/2024-11137/schedules-of-controlled-substances-rescheduling-of-marijuana)

[Rescheduling Cannabis Shifts The Paradigm By Finally Recognizing Its Medical Value (Op-Ed)](https://www.marijuanamoment.net/rescheduling-cannabis-shifts-the-paradigm-by-finally-recognizing-its-medical-value-op-ed/)

[NCIA Comments on Federal Marijuana Rescheduling |](https://thecannabisindustry.org/91-of-rescheduling-public-comments-call-for-reform/)



1:00 – 2:30 pm - **Breakout Session 4**

**Panel** *Cannabis & Immigration**Law*Marie Mark, Nithya Nathan-Pineaur, Professor Talia Peleg (Pending Judge Richard Bailey)

**Description:** Non-U.S. citizens with drug convictions, including marijuana offenses,  face ineligibility for immigration benefits, such as asylum, permanent residency, and citizenship. In addition, noncitizens convicted of a marijuana offense may be detained without bond, deported, and face permanent bars to returning to the U.S. In certain instances marijuana related conduct alone can be the basis of these devastating consequences. In many cases, Immigration Judges do not have discretion to grant waivers of these consequences, regardless of the level of the offense or age of the conviction. As a result of the continuing federal prohibition, state legalization and expungement reforms do not completely eradicate the harsh immigration impacts of marijuana convictions. However there are legislative and administrative changes which can mitigate the impact of marijuana prohibition on immigrants.

**Learning Objectives:** Participants will:

* Be introduced to the immigration impacts of state and federal convictions for marijuana-related activity
* Understand the impact of legalization of marijuana for recreational use at the state level on immigration consequences
* Be introduced to reforms that can change the impact of marijuana convictions for immigrants

**Materials:**

<https://www.ilrc.org/sites/default/files/2023-03/A%20Deep%20Dive%20on%20Cannabis%20and%20Immigration.pdf>

<https://www.immigrantdefenseproject.org/marijuana/>

<https://www.politico.com/news/magazine/2023/12/23/biden-administration-immigrants-legal-cannabis-00133085>

<https://www.ilcm.org/latest-news/not-a-u-s-citizen-dont-use-marijuana/>

<https://www.aila.org/blog/wait-but-isnt-pot-legal-immigration-law-and-cannabis-present-traps-for-the-unwary>

Drug Policy Alliance, Immigrant Defense Project, and the Immigrant Legal Resource Center, [Best Practices: Protecting Immigrants When Decriminalizing or Legalizing Marijuana](https://immigrantdefenseproject.us5.list-manage.com/track/click?u=dc71cb143b49f45c730d1db67&id=a3e493346e&e=e1bfd74418) Immigrant Defense Project, [Tip of the ICEberg: Immigration Consequences of a Marijuana Offense](https://www.immigrantdefenseproject.org/wp-content/uploads/Tip_of_the_ICEberg.pdf)

Immigrant Defense Project, [Practice For Immigration Attorneys And Advocates Marijuana Legalization & Considerations For Immigrant New Yorkers](https://www.immigrantdefenseproject.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/10/Imm-Attorneys-MJ-Legalization_-Issue-Spotting-Docs.pdf)

Immigrant Legal Resource Center, [In the Weeds: A Deep Dive on Cannabis and Immigration](https://www.ilrc.org/sites/default/files/2023-03/A%20Deep%20Dive%20on%20Cannabis%20and%20Immigration.pdf)Immigrant Justice Network, [comment in response to the Drug Enforcement Administration’s Notice of Proposed Rulemaking, Scheduled or Controlled Substances: Rescheduling of Marijuana.](https://drive.google.com/file/d/1sSTvs_RYlO4JjHJePcRjuQebwoS53xRR/view?usp=sharing)

Immigrant Defense Project, [Tip of the ICEberg: Immigration Consequences of a Marijuana Offense](https://www.immigrantdefenseproject.org/wp-content/uploads/Tip_of_the_ICEberg.pdf)

Immigrant Defense Project, [Practice For Immigration Attorneys And Advocates Marijuana Legalization & Considerations For](https://www.immigrantdefenseproject.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/10/Imm-Attorneys-MJ-Legalization_-Issue-Spotting-Docs.pdf)

* **Panel *Recognition Expert Testimony: How it is Treated in the Courtroom***Deena Ryerson, Steven Epstein, Joseph Turoski, Judge Scott Pearson (Moderator)

**Description:** This Panel will first discuss the DRE Program and how states are treating the admissibility of DRE testimony whether it be under a Frye, Daubert, 702 analyses, or by a statutory scheme. It will also review the DRE Protocol from a law enforcement perspective. Lastly it addresses the issues encountered by defense attorneys and prosecutors when conducting direct and cross examination testimony of the DRE from the perspective of a NHTSA Training Resource Prosecutor and a defense attorney with an expertise in impaired driving.

**Panel Objectives:**

1. The audience will explore the DRE Protocol
2. The audience will investigate the existing evidentiary standards for the admissibility of DRE Testimony across the country
3. The audience will review DRE admissibility case law
4. The audience will review the issues encountered by the prosecution and defense in presenting DRE testimony.

**Materials:**

**Drug Recognition Experts (DREs) National Judicial College** <https://www.trafficresources.org/dre>

**DRE 12 Steps**

* Step One:                    Breath Test
* Step Two:                    Interview of Arresting Officer
* Step Three:                  Preliminary Examination (includes the first of three pulses)
* Step Four:                   Examination of the Eyes
* Step Five:                    Divided Attention Psycho physical Tests (includes the three SFSTs and others)
* Step Six:                      Vital Signs Examination (including a second pulse)
* Step Seven:                 Dark Room Examinations (includes examinations of eyes, nose and mouth).
* Step Eight:                  Examination for Muscle Tone
* Step Nine:                   Examination for Injection Site(s) (third pulse is taken)
* Step Ten:                     Suspect’s Statements and Other Observations
* Step Eleven:                Opinions of the Evaluator
* Step Twelve:               Toxicology Examination

<http://www.wbur.org/morningedition/2016/12/13/MJ-driver-impairment-testing>

<https://nysba.org/NYSBA/Coursebooks/Fall%202017%20CLE%20Coursebooks/Defending%20DWI%20Cases/VI.%20J.%20Gerstenzang%20-%20DWAI%20Drugs%20Issues.pdf>

State-by-State Compendium Standards of Evidence (as of July 11, 2023) <https://ncji.org/wp-content/uploads/2024/01/Evidence-Standards-by-State-7.12.23.pdf>

Admissibility of DRE Testimony under *Daubert* <https://www.expertsinmed.com/article.cfm?ArticleNumber=1018>

<https://www.nycourts.gov/JUDGES/evidence/7-OPINION/7.01_OPINION_OF_EXPERT_WITNESS.pdf>

**New York**

People v. Quinn, 580 N.Y.S.2d 818 (1991). In this case, the District Court for Suffolk County undertook an extensive analysis and determined that DRE Protocol is a scientific test, and it used the Frye test to find that the evidence was admissible. The defendant's conviction was later overturned, but on different procedural grounds unrelated to the court's DRE testimony analysis.

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"The court holds that the People have successfully established that both the HGN test and the DRE protocol meet the standards enunciated by Frye (supra) and Middleton (supra). In coming to this conclusion, the court has considered the credible and unrefuted testimony of nine witnesses each of whom stated that both HGN and the protocol permit the DRE to reliably and accurately determine whether an individual is impaired, and if so, by what classification of drug. Further, the court found the People's evidence to be persuasive. The protocol is relatively simple. Jurors should have no trouble understanding the testimony of the DRE witness. This is not a case of a procedure so complicated and so technical that a :lay jury [might] rely to an even greater degree on the expert witness...[whose] testimony may be accepted and credited without being properly evaluated.'"

Maine 29 - A M.R.S.A. § 2525 Certified DRE’s testimony about a drug impairment assessment is admissible

North Carolina Rules of Evid., G.S. § 8C - 1, Rule 702 Certified DRE, with proper foundation, may give expert testimony on: The issue of impairment whether a person was under the influence of one or more impairing substances, the category of such impairing substances

<http://www.wbur.org/morningedition/2016/12/13/MJ-driver-impairment-testing>

<https://www.njcourts.gov/system/files/court-opinions/2023/a_56_18.pdf>

*State v. Chitwood* 369 Wis.2d 132, 879 N.W.2d 786 (2016)

**DEFENDING DWI CASES - THE CRITICAL ISSUES DWAI DRUGS ISSUES Sponsored by THE NEW YORK STATE BAR ASSOCIATION** <https://nysba.org/NYSBA/Coursebooks/Fall%202017%20CLE%20Coursebooks/Defending%20DWI%20Cases/VI.%20J.%20Gerstenzang%20-%20DWAI%20Drugs%20Issues.pdf>

Drug Recognition Expert (DRE) examination characteristics of cannabis impairment Rebecca L. Hartman",Jack E. Richmanb, charles E. Hayesc, Marilyn A. Huestisa'',' a chemistry and Drug Metobolism, lntramural Research Program, National Institute on Drug Abuse, National lnstitutes of Health, 251 Bayview Boulevard Ste 200 Rm 05A721, Baltimore, MD, 21224, USA b Hingham Police Department, 212 Central Street, Hingham, MA 02043, USA c Intemational Association of Chiefs of Police,44 canal center plaza, suite 200, Alexandia, VA 22314, USA



* **Panel *Cannabis & the Workplace***David Holland; Scheril Murray Powell; David Sergi (Moderator); Lisa M. Casa

**Description:** This Panel will discuss the following:

1. General Overview of Cannabis and its Laws

a. Cannabis market and its growth

b. Federal Legal Status

c. Legal status across states

i. recreational, medical, some legal use

2. Federal vs. State Law

a. Exemptions to state protections

3. A Glimpse into Noteworthy States

a. California

b. Illinois

c. Nevada

d. New York

e. Texas

**Learning Objectives:**

The audience will learn about the new implications that cannabis use poses for both employers and employees.

The audience will learn a general overview of various employment protections for employees who use cannabis.

**Materials:**

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https://onedrive.live.com/?authkey=%21AJjWwGWGmotygyU&id=609C230D7BABF0A1%2133571&cid=609C230D7BABF0A1

2:45 – 4:00 pm - **Breakout Session 5**

* **Panel*Perspectives on Cannabis and Driving: Users, Law Enforcement, and Employers***Dr. Thomas Marcotte (Moderator); Linda Hill, Katie Mueller, Joseph Abrusci

**Description:** This session will focus on the perspectives of key stakeholders regarding the use of cannabis and driving. From the user perspective data will be presented from surveys regarding attitudes and behaviors pertaining to driving after using cannabis, and their experience and beliefs concerning law enforcement and the ability to detect cannabis-impaired driving. These data will come from states where cannabis use is legal and illegal. Perspectives from law enforcement will address current approaches to detecting cannabis-related impairments. Lastly, since cannabis-impaired driving can impact business operations, the panel will review the effects of cannabis legalization and impaired driving in this realm.

**Learning Objectives:**

* Discuss cannabis users’ awareness and attitudes towards cannabis laws, including relating to driving
* Describe attitudes and behaviors regarding driving after cannabis use
* Describe users’ attitudes regarding law enforcement and the detection of cannabis-impaired driving
* Describe law enforcement approaches towards detecting drivers impaired due to cannabis use
* Examine best safety practices for cannabis legalization and the workplace

**Materials:**

National Academies of Sciences, Engineering, and Medicine. 2022. *Developing* *Employer-Based Behavioral Traffic Safety Programs for Drivers in the* *Workplace*. Washington, DC: The National Academies Press.

[https://doi.org/10.17226/26812](https://urldefense.com/v3/__https:/doi.org/10.17226/26812__;!!LLK065n_VXAQ!gHyrdHN2xIXqvXtAALq2WW08CaOWqagJRSQNYN9fzz7Zd0HFskF7d2EI5G-ZF36tUCv87XkpcxOraqFqM--iadGalA$).

[Understanding Cannabis In the Workplace A Report for The National Safety Council (2021)](https://urldefense.com/v3/__https:/www.nsc.org/getmedia/d00188d1-97c1-4898-a176-33561270a8fc/survey.pdf__;!!LLK065n_VXAQ!gHyrdHN2xIXqvXtAALq2WW08CaOWqagJRSQNYN9fzz7Zd0HFskF7d2EI5G-ZF36tUCv87XkpcxOraqFqM--ZlY0xYg$).

[Cannabis and the Workplace: Issue Brief – NORC at the University of Chicago and National Safety Council](https://urldefense.com/v3/__https:/www.nsc.org/getmedia/98353804-f383-4086-b021-edbfb1d5d7a5/cannabis.pdf__;!!LLK065n_VXAQ!gHyrdHN2xIXqvXtAALq2WW08CaOWqagJRSQNYN9fzz7Zd0HFskF7d2EI5G-ZF36tUCv87XkpcxOraqFqM-_byfhHWg$)

[A Substance Use Cost Calculator for U.S. Employers: Overview of Data Sources and Analytic Approach](https://urldefense.com/v3/__https:/nsccdn.azureedge.net/nsc.org/media/site-media/docs/impairment/succ/succ-methodology.pdf__;!!LLK065n_VXAQ!gHyrdHN2xIXqvXtAALq2WW08CaOWqagJRSQNYN9fzz7Zd0HFskF7d2EI5G-ZF36tUCv87XkpcxOraqFqM-9dgmbgSw$)

Driving Performance and Cannabis User’s Perception of Safety: A Randomized Clinical Trial

<https://jamanetwork.com/journals/jamapsychiatry/fullarticle/2788264>

Evaluation of Field Sobrity Tests for Identifying Drivers Under the Influence of Cannabis: A Randomized Clinical Trial

<https://jamanetwork.com/journals/jamapsychiatry/fullarticle/2807719>

* **Panel *Pathways for Aspiring Cannabis Lawyers***Rob Mejia (Moderator); Joseph Bondy; Jennifer Cabrera; Daniel Johnston

**Description:** This panel is designed to illuminate the promising pathways for law students eager to enter the burgeoning cannabis industry. It aims to inspire and guide law students, while also exploring how non-law students and professionals can support these future legal experts in making their mark in the cannabis business. Our distinguished panelists will share their unique journeys into the cannabis sector, highlighting the strategic decisions and lessons learned along the way. This panel will offer practical advice, inspire innovative thinking, and foster a supportive network for future cannabis attorneys. Whether you're a law student ready to dive into this dynamic industry or a professional looking to support emerging legal talent, this discussion is a must-attend. Get ready to explore the exciting intersection of law and cannabis and discover how you can contribute to this transformative field.

**Learning Objectives:** The objectives include - Which areas of legal practice are most promising for new attorneys in cannabis? - How can law students actively get involved in the cannabis industry during their studies? - What risks do attorneys face in this evolving field, including banking and legal/regulatory challenges? - How can law students structure organizations to better prepare for a career in cannabis law? - What impact will regulatory changes, like rescheduling, have on legal opportunities in cannabis?

**Materials:**

**Gray Robinson's Cannabis Industry Practice Group**

* + This firm offers comprehensive legal services tailored to the cannabis industry, covering areas such as regulatory compliance, corporate formation, labor and employment, and intellectual property. Their multidisciplinary approach leverages experience from heavily regulated industries like alcohol and tobacco, making them well-suited to counsel cannabis clients on complex legal issues.
  + Source: [GrayRobinson Cannabis Industry Practice](https://www.gray-robinson.com/cannabis-industry)

1. **Cannabis Law Report on Leading Cannabis Attorneys**
   * This article highlights prominent cannabis attorneys, detailing their practice areas, notable cases, and contributions to the field. Examples include Michael S. Hiller, who has been instrumental in impact litigation and insurance cases related to cannabis, and Robert Hoban, who has significant experience in industrial hemp and corporate law.
   * **"30 Powerful Cannabis Attorneys You Should Know,"** mg Magazine, [30 Powerful Cannabis Attorneys You Should Know (mgmagazine.com)](https://mgmagazine.com/business/legal-politics/30-powerful-cannabis-attorneys-you-should-know/)
2. **American Bar Association (ABA) - Cannabis Legal Group**
   * The ABA provides resources and guidance for attorneys practicing in the cannabis sector, including information on regulatory compliance, federal and state law interactions, and emerging legal trends. This can be invaluable for law students and new attorneys looking to navigate the complexities of cannabis law.
   * **American Bar Association**. [American Bar Association](https://www.americanbar.org/).
3. **National Cannabis Industry Association (NCIA) - Legal Resources**
   * The NCIA offers a variety of legal resources, including webinars, white papers, and policy updates that help attorneys stay informed about the latest developments in cannabis law. They also have a legal and regulatory committee that focuses on issues pertinent to cannabis businesses and their legal representation.
   * **National Cannabis Industry Association (NCIA)**. "Legal Resources." NCIA Legal Resources.
4. **Brookings Institution - The Legal Landscape of Cannabis**
   * Brookings provides in-depth analysis on the legal landscape of cannabis, including the implications of federal vs. state law, the challenges of banking and finance in the cannabis industry, and the potential impact of rescheduling cannabis under the Controlled Substances Act.
   * **Brookings Institution**. "The Legal Landscape of Cannabis." Brookings Institution - Cannabis Legal Landscape.

**Suggested Readings for Law Students**

1. **"Cannabis Law: What You Need to Know" by Rod Kight**
   * This book provides a comprehensive overview of cannabis law, covering essential topics such as regulatory compliance, business formation, and litigation. It is a valuable resource for law students and new attorneys entering the cannabis field.
   * **Kight, Rod.** *Cannabis Business Law: What You Need to Know*. Thomson Reuters, 2015. ISBN: 9780314294104.
2. **"Understanding Marijuana: A New Look at the Scientific Evidence" by Mitch Earleywine**
   * While not exclusively a legal text, this book provides crucial scientific background that can inform legal arguments and policy decisions related to cannabis.
   * **Earleywine, Mitch.** *Understanding Marijuana: A New Look at the Scientific Evidence*. Oxford University Press, 2002. ISBN: 9780195138931.
3. **"Marijuana Law, Policy, and Authority" by Robert A. Mikos**
   * This textbook is used in many law schools to teach cannabis law. It covers federal and state regulations, enforcement issues, and the policy debates surrounding cannabis legalization.
   * **Mikos, Robert A.** *Marijuana Law, Policy, and Authority*. Aspen Casebook Series, Wolters Kluwer, 2017. ISBN: 9781454859420.

These sources and readings will provide aspiring cannabis lawyers with the necessary legal knowledge and insights to navigate and succeed in the evolving field of cannabis law.

By examining these materials and understanding their implications, attendees of the panel will be better equipped to navigate the complexities of cannabis law and support the growth of the cannabis industry in a legally sound and socially responsible manner.