



CANNABIS LAW & POLICY VIRTUAL SUMMIT

Tuesday, April 21
11:30am – 4pm (ET)

The legalization of adult-use and medical cannabis affects millions of Americans. Attorneys General are uniquely poised to lead here. To that end, the AG Alliance Cannabis Project is hosting a Cannabis Law & Policy Virtual Summit. The purpose of the Virtual Summit is to educate the national Attorney General community on key issues within the cannabis marketplace and facilitate dialogue among diverse stakeholders. The anticipated agenda is below.

The Cannabis Project provides interested parties an opportunity to dialogue on how cannabis legalization might preserve public health and safety, protect consumers, ensure the rule of law, while also respecting state experimentation as laboratories of democracy. The Cannabis Project is supported by a public sector Advisory Council and private sector Industry Working Group. For information on how to join either the Advisory Council or the Working Group, please contact Austin Bernstein below.

OBJECTIVES

- Educate Attorneys General and staff on the national and localized issues in the cannabis, CBD, and hemp marketplace.
- Create dialogue between Attorney General Offices and diverse stakeholders on hot topics within cannabis law & policy.
- Explore public private partnership opportunities to ensure a strictly regulated and compliant cannabis, hemp and CBD industry.

Participation is open and free to all public sector employees (AGO or regulatory staff). Register at this [link](#). Private sector participants must contact Austin Bernstein at the information below to register.

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TIME	TOPIC	PANELISTS
11:30am-12:30pm	AUTHORITY OF ATTORNEYS GENERAL Subtopics: • Consumer Protection • Advertising and First Amendment Guiding Questions: • Who is the consumer? What does the data suggest re their consumption patterns? • What is the scope and scale of the cannabis market on a national, international, and localized level? • What is the inherent authority of the Attorneys General to protect consumers from deceptive trade practices in the cannabis, hemp, and CBD market? • What legal issues exist regarding advertising restrictions under the First Amendment commercial free speech doctrine?	Moderator Austin Bernstein, AG Alliance Panelists • Micah Tapman, BDS Analytics • Alissa Gardenswartz, Brownstein Hyatt Farber Schreck • Agustin Rodriguez and Bill Hurd, Troutman Sanders
12:30-1:30pm	PUBLIC HEALTH Subtopics: • Scientific evidence re medical benefits and harms • Process to conduct research w/ DEA registration • Potency • Consumption by certain populations (youth, pregnant women, etc.) • EVALI update Guiding Questions: • What does the scientific research suggest between cannabis consumption and public health regarding medicinal value and potential harms? • Understanding the recent DEA Notice of Proposed Rule Making • What are the risks of overconsumption, and youth and pregnant women use? • What does the research say about high-potency use? • EVALI update	Moderator Erin Williams, OR DOJ Panelists • Dr. Susan Weiss, National Institute of Drug Addiction • Kate Laughery, Drug Enforcement Administration • Elyse Contreras, Colorado Department of Public Health & Environment • Luke Niforatos, Smart Approaches to Marijuana • Beau Kilmer, RAND Corp. • Mark Bolton, Greenwich Biosciences
1:30-2pm	COVID & LEGISLATIVE UPDATE • SAFE Banking Act • Nuances between STATES Act and MORE Act • CARES Act and cannabis	Panelists • Sundie Seefried, Partner Colorado Credit Union • Melissa Kuipers Blake, Brownstein Hyatt Farber Schreck



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2pm-3pm	PUBLIC SAFETY Subtopics: - Illicit Market - Drugged driving Guiding Questions: <i>The Illicit Market -</i> - What is the estimated size and scope of the illicit market in the US and in key states with large recreational programs? - How has state legalization affected the size, scope, and functioning of the illicit market? - How can state, local and federal law enforcement officials share information with private sector to address the spread of the illicit market? <i>Drugged Driving -</i> - What does the national research indicate on the prevalence of drugged driving incidents since the legalization of adult use cannabis? - What are common trends among state drugged driving laws? - What are the scientific challenges associated with proving a THC based drugged driving case? - What emerging technologies exist to support local and state law enforcement identify and prosecute impaired drivers?	Moderator Harinder Kapur, CA DOJ Panelists - Jonathan Caulkins, Carnegie Mellon University - Chelsea Clarke, Rcky Mtn. HIDTA - Andrew Kline, National Cannabis Industry Association - Rob Ritter, National Highway Traffic Safety Administration - Jake Nelson, AAA
3pm-4pm	HEMP & CBD Subtopics: - Consumer data trends - Regulatory authority - Hot hemp Guiding Questions: - Unpacking the national and international hemp and CBD market? - Understanding variations on CBD products - How might federal, state, and private actors collaborate to ensure a safe and well-regulated marketplace? - What is the status to date on state Hemp Plans? - What are the opportunities to ensure good manufacturing processes across the U.S.? - What is Hot hemp and how public and private actor are addressing it?	Moderator Billy Sieber, CO AGO Panelists - Cassie Taylor, U.S. Food & Drug Administration - Sonia Jimenez, U.S. Department of Agriculture, Agriculture Marketing Service - Sean Mitchell, Drug Enforcement Administration - Bryan Zumwalt, Consumer Brands Association - Megan Olsen, Council for Responsible Nutrition