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# CANNABIS LAW HIGHER LEARNING

# AGENDA | APRIL 19, 2022 | 1:00-6:30 P.M. MDT

Opening Remarks | 1:00-1:10 p.m.

Higher Learning Sessions | 1:15-4:55 p.m.

Session 1 | 1:15-2:05 p.m.

## **Option A: That's a Doobie of an Employment Issue**

**Location:** Floor 32 Lounge **Speakers:** Steve Gutierrez

- Employment law primer to protect your business on issues including:
  - EEO laws
  - Wage and hour
  - Non-disclosure agreements
  - Non-compete agreements

#### **Option B: How to Hash it Out with the IRS** (CPE Credits Pending)

Location: Floor 31 Mock Trial Room Speakers: Jennifer Benda, Bill Colgin, Sue Combs, and Rachel Gillette

- How to build your case starting at the audit phase
- Litigation lifecycle: how to prepare from exam to appeal
- Burden of proof and procedural issues
- Hot tax topics including the evolving landscape of 280E

# Session 2 | 2:10-3:00 p.m.

## **Option A: Blunt Marketing: Practical Considerations for Promoting Marijuana and Hemp** (*CPE Credits Pending*)

Location: Floor 32 Lounge

Speakers: Matthew Cavarra and Hao Wang

- Web development/web hosting agreements
- Marketing and advertising agency agreements
- Affiliate marketing and sales channel agreements
- Sponsorship agreements
- Talent agreements

## **Option B: Could Your IP Go Up in Smoke?**

**Location:** Floor 31 Mock Trial Room **Speaker:** Rachel Carnaggio

- Trademarks, copyrights, patents, and trade secrets
- Current federal guidelines and regulations
- Strategies for IP portfolio development, growth, and enforcement

# Session 3 | 3:10-4:00 p.m.

#### **Option A: Don't Let Disputes Become a Business Buzzkill**

#### Location: Floor 32 Lounge

Speakers: Chris Jackson and Stu Knight

- Be a good neighbor: best practices to avoid disputes with local authorities
- *Keep your business relationships intact: steer clear of common pitfalls*
- Demystifying litigation: what does it really involve (cost, time, recovery)

#### **Option B: Watch Your Consumption: Water, Air, Waste, and Energy**

Location: Floor 31 Mock Trial Room

Speakers: Bill Caile, Jill Van Noord, and Rochelle Rabeler

- How does drought and water scarcity affect growers of hemp and cannabis?
- How are odor and air emissions from indoor grow operations regulated and what are your compliance obligations?
- Your operations generate waste do you know how to dispose of it?
- What are renewable energy credits? How can they make your business sustainable?

# Session 4 | 4:05-4:55 p.m.

#### **Option A: Budding Beyond Borders: Globalization of Hemp**

#### Location: Floor 32 Lounge

Speakers: Diane Mathis-Durfey and Nabil Rodriguez

- How to legally import and export hemp
- Legal and tax issues when expanding abroad (GST/VAT, indirect tax, and more)
- Foreign market entry strategies
- Global trends: legalization and liberalization

#### **Option B: Getting Out of the Weeds: Preparing Your Business for Merger or Sale**

**Location:** Floor 31 Mock Trial Room **Speakers:** Amos Barclay and Allen Paxton

- How to value your company
- Asset sale vs. equity sale
- First step letter of intent (MOU/term sheet)
- Due diligence
- Purchase agreement
- Regulatory approval
- Tax issues unique to cannabis companies

# Happy Hour | 5:00-6:30 p.m.

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