

Great Legalization Debates of 2012



Round One
Wed., June 22, 2011
6:30pm



Casselman's Bar and Venue, 2620 Walnut, Denver, CO

Free and Open to the Public

Moderated by Patricia Calhoun of Westword

Several Colorado groups are interested in putting a citizen's initiative on the ballot in 2012 to amend the state Constitution to "legalize" cannabis, but what does "legalization" really mean? Can all these groups work together to create true legalization based on cannabis freedom? In attempt to find unity among these groups, Legalize2012.com has organized the "Great Legalization Debates of 2012". The goal of the debates is to discuss ideas, policy and strategy on what will work best to protect Colorado cannabis consumers from arrest, prosecution and discrimination. Colorado is a model for the rest of the country, yet we don't have a clear idea of what is the best cannabis law for the state.

Participants:

- Legalize2012.com: The Cannabis and Hemp Relegalization Act
- Paul Danish, former Boulder County Commissioner and Boulder City Councilman: The Danish Plan
- Rev. Brandon Baker of the Greenfaith Ministry: The Homebrew Model
- Mason Tvert, MPP/DPA/Sensible/SAFER: The DOR/Law Enforcement/Oligopoly Model
- Kathlenn Chippi: The "Inalienable Right" model. Amend Article 2, Section 3 of the Colorado Constitution
- Corey Donahue, Crazy for Justice: Colorado Cannabis Freedom Act

With increasing public support for legalization, the question is not **when** cannabis will be re-legalized, but **how** it will be re-legalized. Cannabis hasn't been legal in Colorado for all adults since 1937. Will Colorado's new legalization look like it did in the early 1900s, or will it look like something new in the 21st Century? Now is the time for a Cannabis Constitutional Convention, so we can all get together and discuss the future of cannabis in Colorado.

Join us in this lively and friendly debate amongst legalization supporters to determine the best path for a Colorado citizen's ballot initiative to amend the Constitution in 2012.

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Patricia Calhoun, editor of Westword, Denver's alternative weekly newspaper, has agreed to moderate the debate. Calhoun has hosted many political debates in her long career covering Colorado politics. Westword has covered Colorado cannabis politics extensively, so Calhoun will be the perfect unbiased referee to what is sure to be a heated discussion.



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