

Noon Time Legal Seminar, Tuesday, January 16, 2018

12:00-1:00 pm \$30 Attorneys (MCLE); \$15 Public

Nevada County Superior Court, Law Library, 201 Church Street, Nevada City

California Cannabis Law 2018

Presented by Heather Burke

Open to attorneys and the general public. Attorneys will receive one hour of MCLE credit. To enroll, please call 530-265-7161 or email Law.Library@nccourt.net. Arrive by 11:45 a.m. to complete registration.

This seminar will consist of an update on California cannabis law, including the Medical and Adult-Use Cannabis Regulation and Safety Act and the newly enacted regulations by the three state licensing agencies, including the Bureau of Cannabis Control, the Department of Public Health, and the Department of Food and Agriculture. Heather will boil down the newly formed regulatory framework for cannabis production and distribution into an overview of main points everyone needs to know for 2018.

About Heather Burke

Heather L. Burke is a partner with Greenspoon Marder's Cannabis Law practice group. Ms. Burke was born in San Diego. Due to her desire at a young age to defend cannabis patients and cultivators, Ms. Burke, while in law school, interned with Lance Rogers, who is also now a partner at Greenspoon. She assisted him in the seminal California cannabis case, *People v. Jovan Jackson*. The case went on to set the precedent that large scale dispensaries may operate lawfully in California. In that case, Ms. Burke drafted the motion *in limine* for the introduction of the medical cannabis defense, which was granted for the first time in San Diego County. She also drafted the jury instructions for the medical cannabis defense that were used throughout the State for almost a decade.

Immediately after graduating from California Western School of Law in 2009, Ms. Burke began her career by working closely with several renowned California medical marijuana attorneys, who mentored her in the aggressive state and federal representation of medical cannabis patients and cultivators throughout California.

Eventually opening her own practice in Nevada City, she has worked on numerous precedent setting cases, including a five-day evidentiary hearing regarding cannabis' Schedule I status in *U.S. v. Pickard* in the U.S. District Court, Eastern District. Ms. Burke also co-drafted a proposed initiative for California cannabis legalization in 2016, entitled *The California Craft Cannabis Initiative*.

In 2014, she was awarded NORML's John Mark Flowers Scholar. The following year, she was named one of Skunk Magazine's Women of Weed for 2015. Ms. Burke is also a regular speaker and panelist at cannabis conferences throughout California. She pens a popular blog about legal issues affecting cannabis cultivators.