

The British Columbia Civil Liberties Association
Presents A Multi-Disciplinary Approach to Law Reform:

BEYOND PROHIBITION Legal Cannabis in Canada

It is far past time that cannabis be removed from the Criminal Code and that a workable system of regulation replace Canada's current social policy of prohibition. Numerous studies and government commissions have concluded that prohibition is a failed social policy that does more harm than good. This conference, however, will not focus on the harms of prohibition. Instead, participants from a wide variety of fields will demonstrate the ramifications of a legal cannabis environment.

Discussion Topics Include

- Models for a Regulatory Environment – Recreational and Medical
- Law Enforcement and Judicial Resource Allocation
- Economic Impacts of Legalized Marijuana
- International Treaty Ramifications
- Public Health Perspectives
- The State of Cannabis Research
- Safe, Legal Cannabis Cultivation

Date of Conference: Saturday, May 8, 2004

Location: The Wosk Centre for Dialogue, Vancouver BC

Keynote Speaker: The Honourable Senator Pierre Claude Nolin

Tickets are available for \$20 each. Ticket price includes admission to the conference, a copy of all written materials presented at the conference and two coffee services. Lunch is not currently included, but will be provided budget permitting. Seating is limited and a maximum of two tickets per person may be purchased.

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Agenda

8:00 – 8:30 Registration/Coffee Service

8:30 – 8:45	Welcome	John Russell	President, British Columbia Civil Liberties Association
8:45 – 9:00	Introductory Remarks	Hon. Larry Campbell	Mayor of Vancouver

RESOURCES

9:00 – 9:30	Freeing Research	Philippe Lucas	Vancouver Island Compassion Society
9:30 – 10:00	Post-prohibition Economics	Jeffrey Miron	Professor of Economics, Boston University
10:00 – 10:30	Police Resources	Walter McKay	Law Enforcement Against Prohibition
10:30 – 10:45	Dialogue Session		

10:45 – 11:00 Coffee

HEALTH

11:00 – 11:30	Public Health Approaches	Dr. Brian Emerson	Consultant, BC Ministry of Health Services
11:30 – 12:00	California Medical Models	Steph Sherer	Director, American for Safe Access
12:00 – 12:30	A Roadmap to Compassion	Hilary Black and Rielle Capler	BC Compassion Club Society
12:30 – 12:45	Dialogue Session		

12:45 – 2:00 Lunch break

REGULATION

2:00 – 2:30	Irrelevance of Public Policy	Peter Cohen	Professor, University of Amsterdam Centre for Drug Policy
2:30 – 3:00	Legal, Organic and Safe	Eric Nash and Wendy Little	Island Harvest Certified Organic Cannabis
3:00 – 3:30	International Obligations	Keith Stroup	Executive Director, NORML
3:30 – 4:00	Regulatory Options	Eugene Oscapella	Canadian Foundation for Drug
4:00 – 4:15	Dialogue Session		
4:15 – 5:00	General Discussion		
5:00 – 5:30	Keynote Address	Hon. Pierre Claude Nolin	Senate of Canada