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Call for Papers: *South Dakota Law Review* Marijuana Law Symposium

The *South Dakota Law Review* seeks article proposals, speakers, and panel participants for a symposium on issues related to marijuana law.

Abstracts of 300-500 words are due **July 1, 2021**.

The *South Dakota Law Review* is pleased to announce its 2021 Symposium will occur on **Zoom on Monday, October 25, 2021**. In the 2020 election, the voters of South Dakota approved two ballot initiatives to legalize marijuana for both medicinal (Amendment A) and recreational use (Initiated Measure 26). The initiatives both subsequently failed to take effect due to delays in the state legislature and legal challenges by political opponents. The case of *Barnett v. Thom*, regarding the legality of Amendment A, is now pending a decision by the South Dakota Supreme Court following oral argument.

The symposium will focus on issues of government enforcement of federal and state marijuana laws in South Dakota and the United States at large.

The editors seek articles that address one or more of the following topics, or other related topics:

1. How are attorneys to navigate their ethical obligation to be zealous advocates for their clients who seek to produce or sell marijuana while still maintaining their obligation to uphold both federal and state laws?
2. How does the changing of laws via referendums impact our concepts of federalism and/or populism in the political process?
3. How does the apparent conflict of state and federal law regarding marijuana impact Federal Indian Tribes?
4. How does the legalization of marijuana on the state level impact minority communities for better or worse?
5. Any other topic related to the legalization of marijuana at the state level.

The editors actively seek diverse viewpoints and diverse scholarly approaches. Although the symposium is not a historical or comparative project, the editors welcome articles with historical or comparative features.

The **Call for Papers** opens today with abstracts due on **Thursday, July 1, 2021**. Please send abstracts to [Luke.Miller@coyotes.usd.edu](mailto:Luke.Miller@coyotes.usd.edu). Selected writers will be notified by **Friday, July 16, 2021**. Finished articles will be due **December 1, 2021**. Our editors will work with you over the winter 2021-22 to prepare your work for publication. The symposium volume will be published and released in the spring of 2022.