

MARIN COUNTY MEDICAL CANNABIS DISPENSARY ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEMBERS

CHARLES DRESOW

Charles Dresow is a partner at Raghianti-Freitas LLP, a law firm based in San Rafael. He primarily practices criminal defense. Born in San Francisco, he has lived the majority of his life in Marin County. Mr. Dresow has a significant amount of experience litigating and advising clients regarding the current and ever changing marijuana laws and regulation and has been exposed to all sides of the issue surrounding medical cannabis, including the interplay between the medical marijuana laws and criminal justice system. Mr. Dresow is currently the vice president of the board of directors for Alternate Defenders Incorporated, the local conflict defender panel, and has worked with law enforcement and members of the District Attorney's office in resolving cases involving medical cannabis. In addition, he is a member of the Board of Directors of the Marin County Bar Association.

MICHAEL FRANK

Michael Frank is the Executive Officer of the Marin General Services Authority, a Joint Powers Authority made up of the Marin cities, towns, and the County. Until this year, he was the City Manager of Novato for 7 years. Prior to that, he was Assistant City Manager with the City of Santa Rosa, and he also worked for the cities of Hayward, Palo Alto, Fremont, and San Francisco. Mr. Frank received his MBA from the Yale School of Management. After graduating from Wesleyan University, he moved to San Francisco for a Civic Leadership Fellowship.

JOSEPH KREINS

Chief Joseph Kreins has over 35 years of law enforcement experience. Chief Kreins is currently the Interim Chief of Police for Novato. Chief Kreins has served in various law enforcement roles in several small and medium-sized cities, including the position of Police Chief for the Cities of Sausalito, Novato, Vallejo, and the Interim Chief for the Cities of Winters and Benicia. Chief Kreins has expertise on best practices in policing, organization and command structures, community outreach programs and media relations, emergency operations, advanced officer training, law enforcement technology systems, and volunteer programs. Chief Kreins holds a Bachelor of Arts Degree in human relations management from Golden Gate University (magna cum laude). He holds certificates from the California Peace Officer Standards Training (POST), including a certificate in executive management. He has completed the Federal Bureau of Investigation Law Enforcement Executive and Leadership Development programs and the Senior Management Institute for Policing, sponsored by the Police Executive Research Forum. He has also served on the board of directors of the Marin Emergency Radio Authority, the Marin County Major Crimes Task Force, and the California Police Chiefs Association, and he was past president of the Solano County Law Enforcement Association and the Marin County Police Chiefs Association.

WENDY SHEARN

Dr. Shearn is a physician, recently retired from a long career at Kaiser Permanente. She is board certified in Internal Medicine, Occupational and Environmental Medicine, and Headache Medicine. The latter part of her career at Kaiser Permanente in Terra Linda was spent primarily caring for patients with headache related disorders. Dr. Shearn received her medical degree from the University of Washington in Seattle, and also has a Master in Public Health from the Harvard School of Public Health. Her primary interest in assisting the County with the medical cannabis program consists of her desire to serve the community in a field in which her experience, knowledge, and judgment may be of most benefit.