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MEDICAL MARIJUANA: A Business and Criminal Law Update

April 20, 2022

1:30 p.m. – 4:45 p.m.

3.0 CLE Hours

AGENDA

- 1:30 – 3:00 The Business of Medical Marijuana: An Update
Presenter Luis M. Alcalde, Esq., Kegler Brown Hill + Ritter*
- Banking/Financial Compliance
 - Advising Divergent Marijuana Clients from Multi-state operators to “ma & pa” seeking to enter marijuana industry
 - Ohio Legislative Update Medical and Recreational
- 3:00 - 3:15 Break
- 3:15 - 4:45 Criminal Implications of Medical Marijuana
Presenter: Talia Sukol Karas, Esq., Flannery Georgalis, LLC*
- Federal and State Criminal Law Developments
 - Issues for Consumers
 - History of Criminalization

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Luis M. Alcalde has a deep and varied legal background which includes complex civil and criminal litigation, corporate investigations, business, international transactions, and entrepreneurship. Alcalde is a founding member of two companies focused on business with the Republic of Cuba that have included licensed travel tours, business development and pharmaceuticals. He is also a frequent speaker and writer on business matters and U.S.-Cuba relations. Alcalde currently focuses his time in the firm's Corporate, Global and Emerging Business practices, including the emerging medical marijuana field. He is a native Spanish speaker and holds a master's degree in business and tax law. Alcalde joined the firm in 2011. Advising clients at every stage of the business lifecycle, Alcalde assists with initial entity formation, structuring and capital raising including private placements, convertible instruments, and warrants. He also assists with the negotiation and drafting of contracts such as licensing, supply, agency, distribution, joint ventures, mergers, and acquisition agreements. Alcalde provides counsel on strategic planning and risk management issues, assisting with project management and risk assessment to help clients establish procedures that drive their business goals. Luis offers strategic advice to the firm's clients in developing global markets, with a specific emphasis in Latin American markets. With over 25 years of experience in Latin America, he counsels organizations of all sizes regarding business establishment, international trade, strategic alliances, and contracts respecting joint ventures, acquisitions, mergers, from the Office of Foreign Assets Control (OFAC), is knowledgeable concerning its sanction programs and regulations, and has provided counsel to a variety of U.S.-based clients on Cuba-related activities authorized by U.S. law. Alcalde strategically manages and offers advice and solutions regarding domestic and international corporate investigations involving FCPA and other regulatory matters, business due diligence, anti-piracy and counterfeiting. Alcalde received his B.A. from The Ohio State University in 1977; his J.D. from The Ohio State University in 1980; and his LL.M. from Capital University Law School in 2000.

Talia Sukol Karas' practice is focused on white-collar criminal defense, government investigations, complex civil litigation, civil litigation arising out of criminal matters, and corporate investigations. As a key member of defense teams, she has provided strategic advice and counseling to individuals, corporate targets, and defendants facing investigation, enforcement actions, and prosecution by federal and state agencies relating to a wide variety of allegations, including bribery, fraud, obstruction of justice, racketeering, and false statement. She also advises and advocates for clients in a range of internal investigations and civil defense. As an extern in the United States District Court for the Northern District of Ohio, Talia gained experience drafting judicial opinions, providing her with insight into federal litigation and best practices in federal court. She worked for a mid-size Northeast Ohio firm during law school where she gained experience in insurance defense, and federal and state healthcare regulations, including anti-fraud and anti-kickback law. Talia holds a J.D., cum laude, from Case Western Reserve University School of Law where she was Executive Notes Editor on the Journal of Law and Medicine. She was a recipient of a Health Law Scholarship and an Honors Fellow in the legal writing program. Talia is Chair of the Diversity Committee of the Federal Bar Association's Northern District of Ohio (FBA NDOH) chapter. She is a 2020 graduate of the Federation of Defense & Corporate Counsel Ladder Down Cleveland program, which trains women lawyers for leadership and business development. She is a 2019 graduate of the FBA NDOH Trial Academy. Her writing has been published in the William and Mary Public Policy Review, the FBA NDOH newsletter, and the FBA's national Younger Lawyers Division newsletter. She volunteers with the Jewish Federation of Cleveland's International Programs initiative, is a four-year participant in Cleveland Clinic's VeloSano Bike to Cure, and serves on the Alumni Admissions Committee for the University of Toronto.