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From the desk of the

# ISSUE EDITOR

*This issue was curated by STEPHEN F. SMITH, ESQ.*

Cannabis law has come a long way since Nevada legalized pot consumption. First came medical marijuana in 2013, then recreational use after 2016. Cannabis law has blossomed into its own specialized area of law. The state bar even includes a Cannabis Law Section, which is very active. The section has published a LexisNexis reference manual, “Cannabis Laws and Regulations,” which is available. I want to thank the Cannabis Law Section for their contributions to this issue of *Nevada Lawyer* dedicated to their area of expertise. The issue is jam-packed with many relevant articles. Don’t forget to also peruse the article that appears as a bonus feature online due to printed space limitations. You can find it at [www.nvbar.org](http://www.nvbar.org).

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Submissions from Nevada lawyers on the following topics are welcome as early as possible in advance of the following deadlines:

- **Elder Law:** May 17, 2024
- **Sports & Entertainment Law:** June 21, 2024
- **Election Law:** July 19, 2024
- **State of the Judiciary:** Aug. 16, 2024

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- Unsolicited submissions should be 1,500 words or less.
- Please keep endnotes to a minimum – 10 or less.
- Articles authored by Nevada attorneys are strongly preferred.

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