

Even as a relatively new industry, the regulated cannabis industry is expected to reach \$10 billion in sales by 2019. Twenty nine states plus the District of Columbia have legalized the medical and/or recreational use of cannabis, with a number of states poised to pass measures in 2018.

Businesses and investors operating in this highly regulated industry rely on Seyfarth's Cannabis Law Practice to serve as strategic advisors, combining industry knowledge with their experience across corporate and finance, tax, real estate, environmental, intellectual property, employment, health care and litigation.

The legalization of cannabis has also intersected with mainstream businesses, industries and government entities, introducing new and complex considerations across a number of issues ranging from the employer/employee relationship and ADA compliance, to the use of space and cash flow. Seyfarth's Cannabis Law team guide businesses through these new and evolving complexities.

Over the last several years, timely and insightful updates on this evolving area of law have become crucial both to our clients and to the broader business community. To that end, we created The Blunt Truth as a forum to address the legal and practical implications of cannabis laws across the U.S. Please click [here](#) to visit The Blunt Truth and subscribe.

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