



## Cato Institute To Host ‘The Law And Politics Of Marijuana Legalization’ Forum

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In another sign that marijuana is invading all levels of American politics, the Cato Institute is scheduled to host a policy forum dedicated to marijuana reform. Below is the information from the Cato Institute website (I will gladly attend with anyone that will take me!):

### **POLICY FORUM**

**Wednesday, December 12, 2012**

**4:00 PM (Reception To Follow)**

Featuring **Asa Hutchinson**, Former Administrator, Drug Enforcement Administration; and **Robert A. Mikos**, Professor of Law and Government, Vanderbilt University Law School; moderated by **Timothy Lynch**, Director, Project on Criminal Justice, Cato Institute.

The Cato Institute

1000 Massachusetts Avenue, NW

Washington, DC 20001

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Voters in Colorado and Washington recently approved initiatives to legalize marijuana under state law. However, the federal law that strictly bans marijuana possession remains in place. Asa Hutchinson, the former head of the Drug Enforcement Administration, says “The stage is set for a confrontation of massive proportions.” If a confrontation is inevitable, how will the courts resolve this conflict? Join us for a wide-ranging discussion of federal supremacy, state prerogatives under the Tenth Amendment, and drug policy reform.

Cato events, unless otherwise noted, are free of charge. To register for this event, please fill out the form [found here](#), or email [events@cato.org](mailto:events@cato.org), fax (202) 371-0841, or call (202) 789-5229 **by 4:00 PM, Tuesday, December 11, 2012**. Please arrive early. Seating is limited and not guaranteed. News media inquiries only (no registrations), please call (202) 789-5200.