



# California Narcotic Officers' Association

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**Training Class**  
Monday, May 6, 2013  
0800-1700 hours

## Medical Marijuana from the Streets to Dispensaries

CNOA and HIDTA are jointly hosting “Medical Marijuana from the Streets to Dispensaries”. Since its inception in 1996, medical marijuana laws and the subsequent investigations into those individuals who have abused those laws have frustrated many in the California criminal justice system. Over the years, many questions have been raised by, amongst others, California law enforcement officers, prosecutors and judges about medical marijuana law and its street application for enforcing those laws. This class is designed to answer many of those questions. The instructors will provide (1) an update on issues pertaining to medical marijuana case law and (2) how to use the law to successfully contact, investigate, arrest and prosecute those individuals that are hiding behind Proposition 215 / Senate Bill 420 to criminally profit from the sales and cultivation of marijuana. The course will also provide information on the latest trends in marijuana, including THC Extraction (Honey Oil & Bubble Hash) and the latest on dispensary activities and enforcement.

**Also, recent court decisions require that officers have special training in these laws to qualify as an expert (*this class will qualify*) when arresting persons in possession of marijuana that are claiming protections under Prop. 215 / SB 420. If you think this is you, you're going to want to attend this course.**

### Instructors:

**Seth Cimino:** Deputy Cimino has worked for the Del Norte County Sheriff's Office since 2002. He is currently assigned to the Felony Investigation Unit as an Investigator/ K9 Handler. His focus of investigation is marijuana related crimes. Deputy Cimino has been involved in the investigation of several hundred drug related and property crimes. Deputy Cimino has qualified as an expert in State court in MJ possession, MJ possession for sales, cultivation, MJ sales and medical marijuana law. In addition to his law enforcement duties, Deputy Cimino is an instructor at the College of the Redwoods POST Law Enforcement Academy in Eureka, CA. He is also a published author of a “medical marijuana investigation” article that appeared in a nationally recognized law enforcement magazine.

**Lana Johnson:** Ms. Johnson is a graduate of the University of Chicago and Chicago-Kent College of Law, and has been a Deputy District Attorney for Los Angeles County for 14 years. She has been assigned to the Major Narcotics Division vertically prosecuting large-scale drug traffickers and assisting in wiretap investigations for the past 6 years. Ms. Johnson is the office's medical marijuana and eavesdropping expert, and trains prosecutors and law enforcement in the areas of wiretaps, filing narcotics cases, medical marijuana laws, and eavesdropping during barricade and hostage situations.

### Location:

Alameda County Office of Emergency Services (next to Santa Rita Jail)  
4985 Broder Boulevard  
Dublin, CA. 94568

**(This is a secure site; you are required to display your credentials on your outer clothing at all times)**

### Tuition:

\$35.00 for CNOA members/ \$45.00 for non-members. **Payment is due at check-in (cash, check or money order – sorry no credit cards). Make checks payable to CNOA** (Authorized payment only may be mailed to CNOA, P.O. Box 10818, Pleasanton, CA 94588). Plan ahead and register at: <http://www.cnoaregionaltraining.org> (Region 1). Questions can be made electronically by emailing: Deputy John McCoy, Training Coordinator at: [cnoaregion1@comcast.net](mailto:cnoaregion1@comcast.net)

This class is P.O.S.T. certified Plan IV. POST #8790-22255

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\*SWORN LAW ENFORCEMENT ONLY\*

Cost: Members - \$35 / Non-members - \$45

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