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**Former Kansas Attorney General to Speak Out on Legalized Medical Marijuana**  
*Robert T. Stephan to hold press conference at Statehouse on Friday, August 17*

**TOPEKA, Kan.** – Former Kansas Attorney General Robert Stephan will hold a press conference August 17 at the State Capitol Building in Topeka to discuss the legalization of medical marijuana, a topic of critical importance to many Kansas families.

Stephan, who served as the state’s chief law enforcement officer from 1979 until 1995, will address the media in the former secretary of state’s office, Room 241-N, starting promptly at 11:00 a.m.

“The General is a highly respected statesman who continues to serve the public in many capacities. We look forward to hearing his thoughts on this issue,” said Laura Green, Kansas Compassionate Care Coalition Director.

The Kansas Compassionate Care Coalition advocates for the legal protection of patients who use medical marijuana and for physicians who recommend the drug as part of a treatment program. The group, which currently has more than 400 members with chapters in northeast Kansas and Wichita, includes concerned patients, doctors, nurses, caregivers and others. For more information, see the coalition website, [www.ksccc.org](http://www.ksccc.org).

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