

# Pannone Lopes Devereaux & O’Gara Sponsors Providence Business News’ 2025 Business of Cannabis Summit

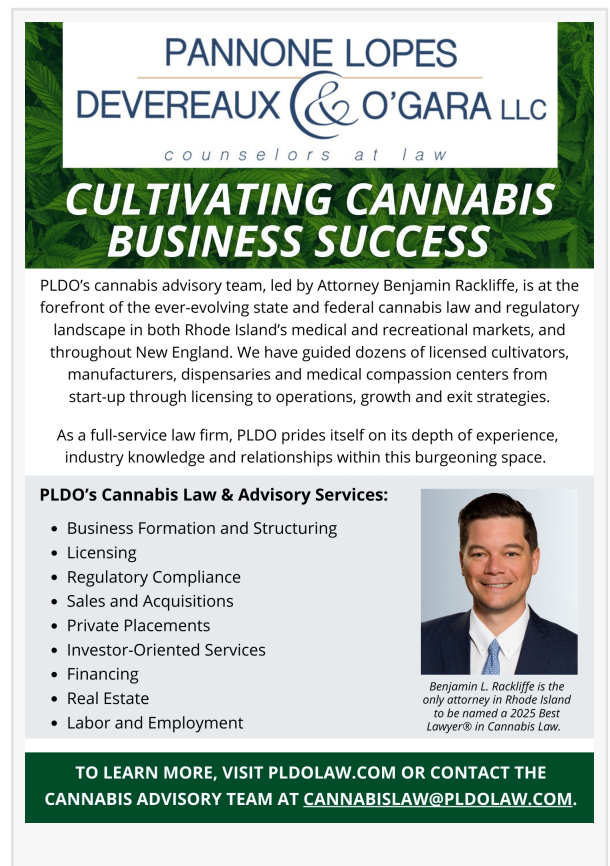
*Attorney Benjamin L. Rackliffe to be a Featured Panelist*

JOHNSTON, RI, UNITED STATES, February 27, 2025 /EINPresswire.com/ -- [Pannone Lopes Devereaux & O’Gara LLC](#) (PLDO) announced its sponsorship of Providence Business News’ (PBN) [2025 Business of Cannabis Summit](#) on Thursday, March 6 from 9:00am - 11:00am, at the Providence Marriott. PLDO Partner [Benjamin L. Rackliffe](#), a leading authority and advisor to cannabis industry business owners and investors, will be a featured panelist, alongside Ronald Crosson II, Executive Director of Urban Ventures, Inc. & Chair and Social Equity Officer, Cannabis Advisory Board; and Michelle Reddish, Administrator of the RI Cannabis Office, RI Commerce.

In January, Rhode Island’s Cannabis Control Commission released its long-awaited draft rules and regulations that will govern the potential multimillion-dollar recreational cannabis sector. Moderated by PBN’s Editor, Mike Mello, the panelists will offer an in-depth explanation of the proposed regulations, key obstacles the industry continues to face and when the potential revenue impact to the state, local businesses and economy will finally be realized.

To register for the Summit, visit <https://pbn.com/event/2025-cannabis-summit/>

Attorney Rackliffe is at the forefront of advising businesses on the ever-evolving state and federal cannabis law and policy landscape in both medical and recreational markets throughout New England and elsewhere. He routinely advises dispensaries and cultivation operators, both publicly traded and private, through real estate, licensing, regulatory compliance and investment related matters. In addition, he advises investors on risk mitigation measures within the cannabis space, as well as representing clients in the nation’s burgeoning hemp industry. He is considered a leading authority in the areas of corporate and regulatory compliance within



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As a full-service law firm, PLDO prides itself on its depth of experience, industry knowledge and relationships within this burgeoning space.

**PLDO’s Cannabis Law & Advisory Services:**

- Business Formation and Structuring
- Licensing
- Regulatory Compliance
- Sales and Acquisitions
- Private Placements
- Investor-Oriented Services
- Financing
- Real Estate
- Labor and Employment



*Benjamin L. Rackliffe is the only attorney in Rhode Island to be named a 2025 Best Lawyer® in Cannabis Law.*

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nascent cannabis industries and was the only attorney in Rhode Island to be named a 2024 Best Lawyer® in Cannabis Law. He is admitted to practice law in Rhode Island, Massachusetts, Connecticut and New York.

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