

I suffer from advanced disc deterioration of the lower lumbar (my spine is deteriorating) and I can bring exhibits to substantiate this.

At this time, outside of steroid shots (which do no good) the only other treatment option is opioids. I am 40 and without medical marijuana this would mean I would be on opioids throughout my life to control the pain caused by my spinal deterioration.

I think this is a case that shows exactly why medical marijuana should be legal in Kansas. In this case, we know both the effects and opioid addiction are far worse than that of marijuana.

In addition, there would be a tremendous economic advantage to medical marijuana. Instead of giving Johnson & Johnson revenue for opioids treatment could come from medical marijuana grown right here by Kansas farmers.

Additionally, the state would generate additional tax revenue from dispensary's.

Regardless of your position this is a case worth hearing.

James Adam Hirsh, M.A.

Via Cell: 316-226-4818