

## Judge Leonard Frieling (Fmr.) City of Lafayette, Colorado Denver, CO

Leonard Frieling is a former municipal court judge for the city of Lafayette, Colorado, and previously sat on the Board of Directors of the Colorado Municipal Judges Association. He is a practicing attorney and served as Chair of the Boulder Criminal Defense Bar for eight years. At one time he acted as a Special County Attorney for Boulder County. In 2014, he was named Chair of the newly-formed Cannabis Law Committee of the Colorado Bar Association.

In 2007, Frieling announced his resignation as a Lafayette Municipal Court Associate Judge in protest of what he described as an unnecessary and drastic proposal to increase marijuana possession penalties in the city. He declared he could no longer serve as a judge for a city willing to go to such great measures to punish non-violent adult marijuana users more harshly than the state mandates.

He obtained his Bachelor's degree, cum laude, from Ohio University in 1972 and his J.D. from Rutgers University Law School in 1975. He currently practices criminal defense law in Boulder, Colorado, where he lives with his wife, Debi.

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