

MICHIGAN LOWER COURT DECISIONS - CIRCUIT COURT DECISIONS

Kent County Prosecuting Attorney v. City of Grand Rapids, Case No. 12-11068-CZ, May 6, 2013 (Kent County):

Issue: Whether an amendment to the City of Grand Rapids' Charter concerning the possession, control, and giving away of marihuana is valid?

Holding: The Court held that “The voters of Grand Rapids had the power to amend the City Charter and plaintiff has failed to show that any section of the charter amendment necessarily conflicts with state law.”

The Court reasoned that “The charter amendment merely creates a civil infraction in the City and directs the City’s police resources away from some of these laws.”