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Attorney Blair Will for San Francisco Chronicle "Game changer" Biden moves to reclassify marijuana under federal law

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For more than 50 years, the federal government has classified marijuana as one of the most dangerous drugs — in the same category as heroin and LSD — criminalized its use or sale and allowed only limited research on its effects, none using human subjects.

Now the climate may be changing. President Biden, who last year issued pardons to everyone convicted under federal law for illegal possession of marijuana, has proposed to reclassify it — not as an entirely legal substance, but as one that could be prescribed by doctors for specific illnesses and researched with few restrictions.

And in California and other states whose laws allow medical and personal use of cannabis, life for pot suppliers would become simpler and less expensive.

"This will be a game changer for legalization and marijuana businesses operating across the country," Blair Will, an attorney representing marijuana cultivators and dispensaries, said Friday.

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