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It's ProCon.org's 10th anniversary! Our little operation that started on July 12, 2004 with six topics and big aspirations has become America's leading provider of free pro and con research on controversial issues with 50 topics and more in development. Thank you to the more than 70 million people who have visited ProCon.org over the last 10 years and helped us promote critical thinking, education, and informed citizenship.

Read on for our anniversary contests and prizes, research updates, headlines, and info for educators.

## ANNIVERSARY CONTESTS AND PRIZES

### 1. Help celebrate our 10th anniversary!

- Enter our [three social media contests](#) (Facebook, Twitter, and Google+). Prizes are \$100 Amazon gift cards and free ProCon.org hats.
- [Make a \\$10 donation](#) (or more) and ask 10 friends to do the same.
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## MEDICAL MARIJUANA

2. [New York becomes 23rd US state to legalize medical marijuana](#) - New York Governor Andrew Cuomo signed AB 6357 into law, allowing the use of non-smoked medical marijuana to treat conditions such as epilepsy, multiple sclerosis, Parkinson's disease, cancer, and more. The state has 18 months to establish the medical marijuana program and register dispensing organizations.

## DRINKING AGE

3. [Minimum Legal Drinking Age of 21 Has 30-Year Anniversary](#) - The enactment of the National Minimum Drinking Age Act on July 17, 1984 prompted states to raise their legal age for purchase or public possession of alcohol to 21 or risk losing millions in federal highway funds. California (1933) and Oregon (1933) have the nation's oldest Minimum Legal Drinking Age (MLDA) 21 laws while South Dakota (Apr. 1, 1988) and Wyoming (July 1, 1988) have the



most recent MLDA 21 laws.

## PROCON.ORG IN BOOKS

4. [Over 300 Books Cite ProCon.org](#) - 308 books have referenced our research, including 38 so far in 2014. Notable authors who have mentioned ProCon.org in their books include Glenn Beck, Mark Bittman, Newt Gingrich, Dick Morris, Condoleezza Rice, Michael Schmoker, and Tavis Smiley.

## FROM OUR HEADLINES

- [Death Penalty in California Ruled Unconstitutional by Federal Judge](#)
- [Israeli-Palestinian Conflict Intensifies with Rocket Fire and Troop Deployment](#)
- [US Literacy, Math, and Technology Skills below OECD Average](#)

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Congratulations to teacher **Jessica C.** from William J. Knight High School who won the \$100 Amazon.com gift card in our June 2014 drawing. We plan to randomly select one winner each month.

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