

## Webinar Series – Critical Issues in Collegiate Athletics Hosted by



Does Baker's Proposal Invite the Power 4 to Leave the NCAA and What Might Happen If It Does?

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## **MEET THE PANELISTS**



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**OLIVER LUCK, Chairman, Altius Sports Partners.** Luck provides leadership experience spanning collegiate and professional athletics. His roles have included Commissioner of the XFL, Executive Vice President for Regulatory Affairs and Strategic Partnerships of the NCAA, and Athletic Director of West Virginia University. Additionally, he has been in leadership roles with the Houston Dynamo of Major League Soccer and the National Football League and was Chief Executive Officer of the Harris County-Houston Sports Authority, where he oversaw the financing, construction and management of professional sports and entertainment infrastructure in Houston, including Minute Maid Park, Reliant Stadium and Toyota Center.



ERIC PRISBELL, National College Sports Business Writer, On3. Over most of the past two decades, Prisbell has covered virtually every angle of college sports for outlets including *The Washington Post* and *USA Today*. Prisbell has covered 15 Final Fours, a half-dozen national title college football games, the Super Bowl, the World Series, and the NBA Finals. His work has been honored seven times in the Associated Press Sports Editors' national contests. Four of his stories received honorable mention recognition in the *Best of American Sports Writing* anthologies. Most recently, he spent three years at *Sports Business Journal*, where he covered Major League Baseball and the NBA.



MADDIE SALAMONE, J.D., Attorney. Salamone is a college athlete advocate, and former Duke University scholarship lacrosse player who, during college, served on and eventually chaired the NCAA Division I Student-Athlete Advisory Committee (SAAC). In that role she served on rules working groups and legislative and leadership councils within the NCAA. Ms. Salamone also successfully advocated for college athletes to be granted voting power in the new NCAA governance structure and was awarded the ACC President's Award for Exemplary Service in 2017 for the lasting impact of her advocacy. A leading voice for NCAA reform and college athletes' rights, she works with sports leaders across the country and delivers public presentations on the major issues in college sports. She recently testified before Congress on issues related to name, image, and likeness (NIL) and player health and safety. She hosts the "Speaking of Athletes" podcast and "WYE Channel" on YouTube.