

Webinar Series - Critical Issues in Collegiate Athletics

NCAA v. House/Hubbard/Carter Proposed Settlement: The Current Legal Landscape

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Meet our exceptional line-up of attorneys, sport journalists, and academic experts who took a deep dive into the impacts of the blockbuster NCAA vs. House-Hubbard-Carter antitrust lawsuits. They examined the current status of the proposed settlement, possible legal challenges, and how the \$2.8 billion in past damages and estimated \$20 billion in injunctive relief might affect Division I college athletics and athletes, including Olympic and other non-revenue sports. Given that the current settlement directs over 90 percent of the possible past damages to male athletes, primarily in the sports of football and basketball, the additional cost to Division I institutions for Title IX equity obligations was also addressed.

MEET OUR PANELISTS



LUKE FEDLAM - MODERATOR, Partner, Head of the Sports Law Practice Group, Porter, Wright, Morris & Arthur, LLP. As a sports attorney, he regularly advises and counsels professional athletes and sports related businesses. Fedlam also is a highly sought after speaker and thought leader on the changes impacting college sports, most specifically, changes to Name, Image and Likeness laws and regulations. He is also the Managing Partner of Advance – an educational consulting firm focused on educating teams of athletes, coaches, and athletic administrators at the professional, college, and high school levels. Fedlam is a member of the Board of Trustees for Capital University, the Board of Directors for the Columbus Clippers minor league baseball team, and is an active life member of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc. He also authored the sports law treatise "Sports Law: A Practical Guide to Protecting the Interests of Athletes."



JAMES BRYANT, founder, Chairman, National Litigation Law Group. He led the litigation against the NCAA that enabled a small NAIA school in Texas to become a full member of the NCAA Division I without waiting the full probationary period, which ultimately led many other institutions to follow. Bryant also fashioned the use of immunity for the first time in an NCAA investigation that not only preserved a student-athlete's eligibility at what is now a Big 12 football program but also resulted in lessening the sanctions against that university's athletic program. He has also served in-house positions at a number of universities, including The Tuck School of Business at Dartmouth College and Union Theological Seminary in New York City. He was Special Counsel to the Boards of the University of Iowa and The Regents for the Oklahoma Agricultural and Mechanical Colleges (Oklahoma State University).



AMANDA CHRISTOVICH, Reporter, Front Office Sports. Her work has previously appeared in USA TODAY and The Wall Street Journal. Christovich covers the business of the sports industry with a specific focus on college sports, reporting and writing on breaking news, scoops, features and investigations. She leads industry coverage of multiple topics including name, image, and likeness, athlete employment/compensation legal issues, and NCAA gender equity. Her work has been cited/featured in multiple news outlets including The Athletic, CBS Sports, and On3. Christovich regularly appears on radio shows and podcasts across the country, including NPR, local ESPN affiliates, and SEC Network. She holds a M.S. in Journalism from the Columbia Graduate School of Journalism and a B.A. in English from Georgetown University.



JAYMA MEYER, Counsel, Simpson Thacher & Bartlett; Visiting Clinical Professor, Sports Law, Indiana University; member of the Board of Directors, Sports Lawyers Association; Emeritus Member, Board of Directors, National Women's Law Center; Emeritus Trustee, former Vice President, Women's Sports Foundation. She is an experienced antitrust litigator and currently a Title IX advocate litigating and negotiating Title IX settlement agreements with high schools throughout the US including litigating a landmark class action Title IX case against the Hawaii Department of Education; has co-counseled with the San Francisco Legal Aid at Work, California Women's Law Center, Hawaii ACLU and National Women's Law Center on Title IX matters; ranked among the top ten butterfly swimmers in the world in the 1970s.



ANDREW ZIMBALIST, Ph.D., Robert A. Woods Professor Emeritus of Economics, Smith College, The Drake Group Past President. Dr. Zimbalist has consulted in Latin America for the United Nations Development Program, the U.S. Agency for International Development, and numerous companies and, in the sports industry, for players' associations, cities, companies, citizens groups, teams and leagues. He has published several dozen articles and twenty-seven books, including *Unpaid Professionals:* Commercialism and Conflict in Big-time College Sports (1999), The Economics of Sport, I & II (2001), Unwinding Madness: What Went Wrong with College Sports and How to Fix It (2017) with Gerry Gurney and Donna Lopiano, and Whither College Sports (2021).