



NSLNC & Sports Law Conference Schedules

All Events hosted at Thomas Jefferson School of Law: 1155 Island Avenue, San Diego, CA 92101, unless noted as an *offsite* event.

Friday, September 20, 2013

Sports Law Conference 2013: Starting Women's Football plus an Update Regarding Head Injuries and Developments in Sports Law – Hosted by the Center for Sports Law & Policy, Director and Professor **Rodney Smith** (Room 323, 3rd floor)

Introduction and Award Presentation, 11:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Lunch and Conferral of 2nd Annual Rudolph C. Hasl Leader in Sports Award to **David Williams, II**, Vanderbilt University Director of Athletics

Address by David Williams, II, followed by audience questions, 12:00 – 1:00 p.m.

The Center will be honoring David Williams II, the Vice Chancellor for University Affairs & Athletics, Athletics Director and Professor of Law at Vanderbilt, Chair of NCAA Infractions Appeals Committee, Member of NCAA Academic Cabinet and Member of NCAA Enforcement Working Group, as its Rudolph C. Hasl Leader in Sports Award. This award is given to an individual who has exhibited exemplary leadership in sports. David Williams, who has his academic roots in law, is a real leader in intercollegiate athletics. As a leading Athletic Director of color at a BCS school, Williams has gained the respect of other leaders in the industry. He currently serves on the NCAA's Committee on Infractions and has worked with the SEC in negotiating its latest media agreement with ESPN. He has been a strong advocate for the student-athlete during his years in working in athletics at Ohio State University and Vanderbilt.

Award Presented by: Professor **Randy Grossman, Esq.**

1:00 – 1:05 p.m. Break

Session 1 – 1:05 – 2:20 p.m.

Center for Sports Law and Policy White Paper: "Solving the Title IX Conundrum in an Equitable Manner: Starting Intercollegiate Women's Football"

The Thomas Jefferson School of Law will be issuing its first white paper regarding the issue of starting women's intercollegiate football. Universities across the country continue to struggle to comply with Title IX and provide women with opportunities to participate in intercollegiate athletics. The NCAA has suggested adding opportunities for women in bowling, equestrian and rowing. States like Florida sponsor strong and growing interscholastic women's football programs. The white paper examines whether the NCAA, NAIA and other intercollegiate athletic associations should sponsor women's football and concludes that women's football will help solve Title IX issues, increasing participation opportunities for women, in a manner that is racially equitable and that will address the kind of stereotyping that often occurs in athletic opportunities for women. The white paper looks at the issue from an historical and policymaking perspective and then provides a roadmap for recognition of women's football as an intercollegiate sport.

Introduction: Professor **Rodney Smith**, Director of the Center for Sports Law & Policy

Panel:

Lindsay Demery, J.D., Why Women's Football?
Erika Torrez, Law Student, How It Becomes Recognized?
Claire M. Zovko, Esq., Response

Audience questions at 2:05 p.m.
Moderator: **Brandon Leopoldus, Esq.**

2:20 – 2:25 p.m. Break

Session 2 – 2:25 – 3:40 p.m.

Developments in Sport: Head Injuries and Other Issues

This session of the Conference deals with the continuing problem of head and related injuries in

sports at all levels: professional, intercollegiate, and interscholastic. Last year, the Center for Sports Law and Policy brought leading legal and medical personnel together to look into issues related to head injuries and the well-being of athletes at all levels. This session follows up on the work done in that conference, bringing leaders at the professional, collegiate, interscholastic and youth levels together to address the latest developments in the area and to discuss how we can best address these serious issues in the future. One of the participants also will bring an international perspective to our panel. As is the case with the white paper, this session is intended to highlight the Center's commitment to taking on the most significant issues in sport and looking for solutions to those issues.

Introduction: Professor [Joy Delman](#)

Panel:

[Ben Coughlan, Esq.](#) and [Ron Mix, Esq.](#), Issues in Professional Sports
[Rey Hernandez, Esq.](#) and Professor [Rodney Smith](#), Issues in Amateur Sports
[James Paterson, Esq.](#), Head Injuries in International Sports

Audience questions at 3:25 p.m.

Moderator: [Jeremy M. Evans, Esq.](#)

Roof-top (8th Floor Reception), 3:45 – 4:45 p.m.

4:00 – 6:00 p.m. NSLNC Competitor Check-in in lobby of the Law School (*Padres ticket pick-up for registered teams, coaches, and advisors only*)

6:15 p.m. – *Offsite:* Padres vs. Dodgers at Petco Park in the Western Metal Supply Suites (enter at 7th Avenue and "K" Street) (food and refreshment service begins at 6:15 p.m.) (game-time 7:05 p.m.) (100 Park Boulevard, San Diego, CA 92101, [619.795.5000](tel:619.795.5000)). (*Event for NSLNC competitors and coaches only*).

Saturday, September 21, 2013

3rd Annual National Sports Law Negotiation Competition (Conference rooms and classrooms levels 1-3 of the law school) (Round 1, Sessions A and B, Round 2, Sessions A and B)

8:30 – 9:15 a.m. Judges First Round Briefing, Competitor Check-in and Intros (Competitor teams, coaches and advisors in room 325) (coffee, water, bagels and fruit)

9:30 a.m. – 12:45 p.m. Sessions A and B of Round 1 Negotiation (All conference rooms and classrooms except two rooms set aside for Judges and Competitor briefings)

12:45 – 1:30 p.m. Lunch (Pizza, soda and water) (Competitors lunch in room 325, NSLNC staff available for questions)

1:00 – 1:30 p.m. Judges Second Round Briefing and lunch

1:45 – 5:05 p.m. Sessions A and B of Round 2 Negotiation

5:15 – 6:05 p.m. Competitor Certificate Presentation, Announcement of Final four teams (light refreshments served) (Roof-top, 8th Floor)

9:00 p.m. – Gaslamp Mixer at the Double Deuce (528 "F" Street San Diego, CA 92101, P: [619.450.6522](tel:619.450.6522))

NOTE - each Session will be as follows:

Heat: 45 minutes for negotiating
10 minutes break for preparing self-analysis
10 minutes for self-analysis for one team
10 minutes for self-analysis for other team
20 minutes to finish scoring and joint feedback session from the judges
Total: 95 minutes

With two heats per round, each round will take 3 hours, with a 5 minute break in between sessions A and B of each round.

Sunday, September 22, 2013

3rd Annual National Sports Law Negotiation Competition (Moot Court Room, level 2) (Final Round, Sessions A and B)

9:00 – 9:30 a.m. Judge's and Competitor separate briefings (Competitors in Room 216) (continental breakfast and coffee)

9:30 a.m. – 12:50 p.m. Two final round sessions (top four teams) and announcement of Champion, etc.

NOTE, each Session will be as follows:

Heat: 45 minutes for negotiating
10 minutes break for preparing self-analysis
10 minutes for self-analysis for one team
10 minutes for self-analysis for other team
20 minutes to finish scoring and joint feedback session from the judges
Total: 95 minutes

For the Finals, there is one round with two sessions that will take 3 hours, with a 5 minute break in between sessions A and B.

Final Round Judges

- **Thomas Guernsey**
*Dean, President and Professor of Law
Thomas Jefferson School of Law*
- **Kenneth J. Vandevelde**
*Professor of Law
Former Dean of Thomas Jefferson School of Law*
- **Rodney Smith**
*Distinguished Professor of Law
Director, Center for Sports Law and Policy
Former President of Southern Virginia University, Former Dean of the following law schools: Capital University, the University of Montana, the University of Arkansas at Little Rock, and University of Memphis*

12:50 - 1:00 p.m. Awards Ceremony and Photos

