



# NATIONAL SPORTS LAW NEGOTIATION COMPETITION

SEPTEMBER 25-27, 2015

PRESENTED BY THE CENTER FOR SPORTS LAW & POLICY AT THOMAS JEFFERSON SCHOOL OF LAW

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# FRIDAY

September 25, 2015  
ROOF-TOP MIXER

# SATURDAY

September 26, 2015  
PRELIMINARY ROUNDS

# SUNDAY

September 27, 2015  
CHAMPIONSHIP FINAL ROUND

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# 5<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL NATIONAL SPORTS LAW NEGOTIATION COMPETITION

## History and Vision of the National Sports Law Negotiation Competition

The annual National Sports Law Negotiation Competition (NSLNC) is hosted and organized by the Center for Sports Law & Policy (CSLP) at Thomas Jefferson School of Law in San Diego, California, every September.

The NSLNC was created by sports and academic professionals with law students in mind as they enter the legal community. The NSLNC's purpose is to give students a great experience, competition, and place to meet like minds in the sports law industry. Our mission is to provide the sports profession with able and ready legal minds through negotiation competition training.

The fact patterns for the NSLNC are modeled toward current issues in the sports industry. Student competitors negotiate select fictional disputes in an academic setting in front of a panel of judges. The fact patterns negotiated allow students to focus on more than one area of sports law, including: contract negotiation, trading of players, salary demands, endorsement contracts, athlete and sports professionals, family and personal issues, intellectual property, and more.

It is our hope that you enjoy the yearly competition weekend, which includes a weekend of social activities, the competition, and of course, meeting future lawyers, agents, current sports professionals, and judicial officers from across this great country, and the world, in America's finest city, San Diego, California.

### Jeremy M. Evans, Esq. '11

Director, Center for Sports Law & Policy



2014 Final Four Teams and Judges

# SCHEDULE

All events hosted at Thomas Jefferson Law unless noted; 1155 Island Avenue, San Diego, CA 92101.

**There is no parking at the Law school.**

## FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 25, 2015

### 6:00 - 8:00 p.m.

Friday Night Mixer

*Roof-top, 8th Floor. Refreshments and appetizers provided.*

## SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 26, 2015

5th Annual National Sports Law Negotiation Competition

*Located in conference rooms and classrooms on floors one through three. 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, tea, water, and soda will be provided with a continental breakfast.*

### 9:30 a.m. – 12:45 p.m.

Round One: Sessions A and B

*All conference rooms and classrooms on floors one through three except rooms 122, 318, 323, and 325.*

### 12:45 – 1:45 p.m.

Lunch - Competitors, Coaches, and Volunteers

*Coffee, tea, water, and soda will be provided beginning in the morning until 3:45 p.m. in room 325. Pizza lunch in room 325.*

### 1:00 – 1:30 p.m.

Judges Second Round Briefing and Lunch

### 1:45 – 5:05 p.m.

Round Two: Sessions A and B

*All conference rooms and classrooms on floors one through three except rooms 323 and 325.*

### 5:15 – 6:05 p.m.

Competitor Certificate Presentation, Announcement of Final four teams

*Light refreshments served. Roof-top, 8th Floor.*

### 7:00 p.m. – close

Saturday Night Gaslamp Mixer (optional):

*Double Deuce, 528 F Street, San Diego, CA 92101*

A special thank you to *Free Agent Sponsor* for the Friday Night Mixer, Gavril Gabriel with Construction Claims Law Group:



## SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 27, 2015

5th Annual National Sports Law Negotiation Competition

*Moot Court Room, second floor. Final Round, Sessions A and B.*

### 8:00 – 8:30 a.m.

Judge's and Competitor separate briefings

*Competitors in Room 216. Breakfast, coffee, tea, and water provided to the Final Round teams and the judges only.*

### 8:30 a.m. – 11:50 p.m.

Two final round sessions (top four teams) and announcement

### 11:50 - 12:00 p.m.

Awards Ceremony and Photos

*End of NSLNC 2015*

### NEGOTIATION SESSIONS

#### 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

### FINALS

There is one round with two sessions that will take three hours, with a five minute break in between sessions A and B.

# COMPETITION TEAMS

## California Western School of Law

San Diego, CA (2 teams)

Coach: Dan Rawlins

Competitor 1: Braden Drake

Competitor 2: Amy Vaughn

Competitor 1: Robert Prine

Competitor 2: Summer Main

## Chapman University School of Law

Orange, CA (3 teams)

Faculty Advisor: Nancy Schultz

Competitor 1: Jim Nguyen

Competitor 2: Kyle Hindin

Competitor 1: Nick Lynes

Competitor 2: Weston O'Connor

Competitor 1: Jeff Farano

Competitor 2: Ashley Daniel

## Cleveland–Marshall College of Law

Cleveland, OH

Competitor 1: Bret Vaselaney

Competitor 2: Jordan Alter

## Creighton University School of Law

Omaha, NE

Faculty Advisor: Larry Teply

Competitor 1: Blake Miller

Competitor 2: Travis Marr

## Florida A&M University College of Law

Tallahassee, FL (3 teams)

Faculty Advisor: Bill Henslee

Competitor 1: Tim Chalumeau

Competitor 2: Marcus Prince

Competitor 1: Africa Altidor

Competitor 2: Jennifer Blackman

Competitor 1: Kyle Marcil

Competitor 2: Gemady Gusak

## Fordham University School of Law

New York, NY

Coach: Steven Costanzo

Competitor 1: William Brophy

Competitor 2: Geoffrey Williams

## George Mason University School of Law

Arlington, VA

Competitor 1: Levi Huston

Competitor 2: Greg Caffas

## Georgetown University Law Center

Washington, D.C.

Competitor 1: Nadia Bryan

Competitor 2: Adam Rosenthal

## Golden Gate University School of Law

San Francisco, CA

Competitor 1: Salayha Ghoury

Competitor 2: Courtney Serrata

## Marquette University Law School

Milwaukee, WI

Competitor 1: Trace Hummel

Competitor 2: Alexa Callahan

## Pace University School of Law

White Plains, NY

Coach: Dan Masi

Competitor 1: Steven Stieglitz

Competitor 2: Melissa Reithberg

## Pacific Coast University School of Law

Long Beach, CA

Competitor 1: Ellis Chang

Competitor 2: Michelle Zepada

## Pepperdine University School of Law

Malibu, CA (2 teams)

Competitor 1: Jessica Freitas

Competitor 2: Rachel Luba

Competitor 1: Ryan Storms

Competitor 2: Seth Bamberg

## Santa Clara University School of Law

Santa Clara, CA

Coach: Ryan Horning

Competitor 1: Hunter Burnette

Competitor 2: Matthew Klimkowski

## Southern Methodist University Dedman School of Law

Dallas, TX (2 teams)

Coach: Ellen Dadanina

Competitor 1: Pooja Vasudev

Competitor 2: Grace Ann Whiteside

Alternate 1: Amanda Weaver

Alternate 2: Brett Moore

Coach: Jamie Sorley

Competitor 1: Michael Raoufpour

Competitor 2: May Crockett

Alternate: Sam Genovese

## Southwestern Law School

Los Angeles, CA (3 teams)

Coach: Cristina Knolton

Competitor 1: Amanda Figueroa

Competitor 2: Jennifer Mascia

Competitor 1: Meghan Bobb

Competitor 2: James Samson

Competitor 1: Jason Barth

Competitor 2: Caitlin Moore

## Texas A&M University School of Law

Fort Worth, TX (2 teams)

Faculty Advisor: Kay Elliott

Competitor 1: Alexia Quintero

Competitor 2: Gabrielle Morales

Competitor 1: Kelly Rinehart

Competitor 2: Kathi Hogan

## Texas Tech University School of Law

Lubbock, TX (2 teams)

Coach: Wendy Adele Humphrey

Competitor 1: Katy Crocker

Competitor 2: Nick Goettsche

Competitor 1: Ron Miller

Competitor 2: Jeanette Moody

## The University of Mississippi "Ole Miss" School of Law

University, MS

Competitor 1: Beth Kenwright

Competitor 2: Hanly Funderburk

## Thomas Jefferson School of Law

San Diego, CA

Competitor 1: Decker Cady

Competitor 2: Jordan Mlynarczyk

## University of California Hastings College of the Law

San Francisco, CA (3 teams)

Coach: Billy Hileman

Competitor 1: Jenna Finegold

Competitor 2: Lindsey Pace

Coach: Clint Waasted

Competitor 1: Jonathan Tong

Competitor 2: Hooman Yavi

Competitor 1: Noura Barakat

Competitor 2: Danielle Bogaards

## University of Nevada, Las Vegas

### William S. Boyd School of Law

Las Vegas, NV

Competitor 1: Michael Matthis

Competitor 2: Chelsea Finnegan

## University of South Dakota School of Law

Vermillion, SD

Competitor 1: Kelsey Weber

Competitor 2: Katie Ludvigson

## Western State University College of Law

Fullerton, CA (3 teams)

Faculty Advisor: Paul Taylor Smith

Competitor 1: Austin Borchard

Competitor 2: Christopher Gipe

Competitor 1: Valerie Sparks

Competitor 2: Alexander Shaaban

Competitor 1: Denytro Kuznyetsov

Competitor 2: Robert Dagmy

## Whittier Law School

Costa Mesa, CA

Coach: Erez Aloni

Competitor 1: Katrina Nicha

Competitor 2: Tiffany Larson

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# NEGOTIATION TOPICS

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**“Bulls and Dolls”**  
*Red Bull vs.  
Los Angeles Derby Dolls*

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**“A New Hope”**  
*Hope Solo vs.  
Women’s Sports Foundation*

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**“Deuces Wild”**  
*Minnesota Twins vs.  
Las Vegas 51’s*

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## RECOGNITION

Special recognition and thank you to Sam Ehrlich '14 and the 2015 NSLNC Fact Pattern Drafting Committee with the Center for Sports Law & Policy at Thomas Jefferson Law for their assistance in preparing the Fact Patterns for the Competition.

We would also like to thank all Volunteers, Shana Avery '16, the members of the Sports Law Society, Alternative Dispute Resolution Society, and the Sports Law Fellows with the Center for Sports Law & Policy at Thomas Jefferson School of Law for their volunteer efforts ensuring a successful competition.

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The Center for Sports Law & Policy at Thomas Jefferson School of Law is committed to being a leader nationally and internationally in the sports law and policy area. By providing students with an engaging and balanced curriculum and opportunities to be involved with leading lawyers and policymakers in the sports industry, the Center offers students a unique opportunity to pursue their legal education and interest in sports law and policy.

# FIRST AND SECOND ROUND JUDGES

We are always honored to have distinguished attorneys, academic leaders, arbitrators, mediators, sports professionals, and members of the bench as the judges for the NSLNC. On behalf of the CSLP at Thomas Jefferson Law and all the participating schools, we thank you all for your time and commitment to the success of this event.

**ERIN ADKINS** – Assistant Athletic Director of Compliance at University of San Diego

**ZOE ANDERSON '13** – Intellectual Property Strategist at Balboa Manufacturing Co., LLC

**CHARLES BATEH** – Player Agent at CGB Sports Management, Inc.

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**PROFESSOR ELLEN WALDMAN** – Thomas Jefferson School of Law

# FINAL ROUND JUDGES

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We are particularly pleased and honored to have these distinguished judges for the Final Round.



## HONORABLE DAVID DANIELSEN

### Presiding Judge

Superior Court of California,  
County of San Diego



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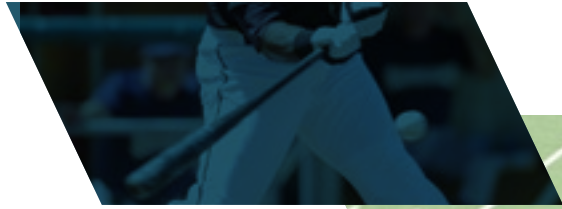


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Thank you to all of our 2015 participating law schools, their student competitors, coaches, and faculty advisors. We hope to see you for the 6th Annual NSLNC in 2016.

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