



## Kyle Skillman

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### Profile

**Kyle concentrates his practice on the representation of colleges, universities and individuals in NCAA compliance and infractions matters.**

He is principally responsible for counseling NCAA member institutions nationwide in the course of enforcement investigations, and working with colleges and universities to investigate, process and report NCAA rules violations. Since 2004, Kyle has worked with numerous Division I institutions – including schools from “Autonomy” conferences (SEC, ACC, Pac-12, Big Ten and Big 12) and West Coast, Mountain West, Sun Belt and Mid-Eastern Athletic conferences – as well as a host of Division II and III clients. He makes frequent appearances before the NCAA Committees on Infractions to present cases on behalf of NCAA Division I, II and III member institutions.

Kyle is also actively engaged in advising clients on the application of NCAA and various state Name, Image and Likeness (NIL) policies, as well as the processing of complex NCAA infractions cases directed to the NCAA’s Independent Accountability Resolution Process (IARP).

#### **NCAA Compliance Reviews & Program Culture Assessments**

In addition to his work in the enforcement process, Kyle designs and executes audits to assist campus administrators in developing systems to proactively monitor for compliance with NCAA rules.

Additionally, Kyle is often called upon to design and conduct external reviews of conduct-related issues within a college/university athletics department or individual sports program (i.e., hazing, discrimination, substance abuse). Due to the sensitive nature of such assessments, Kyle and other practice group attorneys work with institutional administrators to design a thorough review that will identify concerns, interview relevant parties and provide a comprehensive report of findings.

#### **Legislative Relief Waivers & Student-Athlete Eligibility Matters**

Through nearly 20 years of experience with the firm’s Collegiate Sports Practice Group, Kyle has developed an extensive working knowledge of NCAA legislation as it pertains to student-athlete initial- and continuing-eligibility and the legislative relief waiver and interpretive processes. He frequently assists NCAA member institutions, prospective student-athletes and student-athletes in complex amateurism, transfer and eligibility reinstatement matters.

#### **Other Engagements**

### Education

- University of Kansas School of Law (J.D. 2004)
- Middle Tennessee State University (B.S. 2001)

### Bar/Court Admissions

- Kansas

### Practices

- Higher Education
- Collegiate Sports

Kyle has been an invited speaker on NCAA rules compliance and enforcement trends at university events and other panel discussions, including the Annual Convention of the National Association of College and University Attorneys (NACUA). Through his involvement in a number of high-profile infractions cases, Kyle is experienced in assisting clients with public relations and media statements that are consistent with NCAA requirements.

## Honors & Affiliations

- Listed in:
  - *Martindale-Hubbell*®, AV Preeminent Rated
- National Association of College and University Attorneys

## Representative Publications

- Skillman, Wong, Deubert, "The NCAA Infractions Appeals Committee: Recent Case History, Analysis and the Beginning of a New Chapter," *Virginia Sports and Entertainment Law Journal*, University of Virginia School of Law, Fall 2009