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Profile

Rick practices in the area of collegiate athletics, which includes the representation of Colleges, Universities, athletics conferences and associations, and individuals in National Collegiate Athletic Association related matters.

Previously, he served six years as Director of Legislative Services for the NCAA and one year as an NCAA enforcement representative.

Rick is also a member of the firm's management committee.

Honors & Affiliations

- Listed in:
 - *The Best Lawyers in America*®, Sports Law, 2007-2026 (listed for more than 15 years)
 - Lawyer of the Year (Kansas City-KS), Sports Law, 2018, 2025
 - *Martindale-Hubbell*®, AV Preeminent Rated
 - *Sports Business Journal*, Power Player, 2016, 2021
- Johnson County Bar Association

Representative Publications

- Quoted, "A new era of college sports, Part 1," *The News-Gazette*, June 14, 2025
- Co-Author, "Changes to NCAA Bylaw 19 and the Responsibility to Cooperate," *LEAD1 Association*, Name, Image & Likeness (NIL) Institutional Report: *Issue #10*, March 9, 2023

Representative Presentations

- An Interview with Collegiate Sports attorney Richard Evrard, *Legally Bond Podcast*, August 29, 2022
- Panel Member, College Athletics and Employment Law: A Conversation About Intercollegiate Sports and the Aftermath of *NCAA v. Alston*, Gender in Collegiate Sports, NYU Law Collegiate Sports Law Symposium, April 1, 2022
- NCAA Board of Directors Name, Image and Likeness Rule, Higher Education Committee Meeting and CLE, New Jersey State Bar Association, December 7,

Education

- South Texas College of Law (J.D. 1983)
- Rice University (B.A. 1978)

Bar/Court Admissions

- Kansas

Practices

- Higher Education
- Collegiate Sports

2021

- An Interview with Richard Evrard, Collegiate Sports, Legally Bond Podcast, September 13, 2021
- College Athletics Update: Emerging Legal Issues, National Association of College and University Attorneys, March 14, 2018
- Presenter, Baylor University Sports Law Symposium, March 26, 2018
- Crisis Time for Athletics: Not Just the NCAA, Playing by the Rules: Law and Collegiate Sports Conference, October 20, 2017

Other Activities

- Chairman, The Monsignor Tom Culhane Endowment Fund
- Member, St. Ann's Church. Board of Trustees