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The NSLI hosts educational conferences to discuss important legal and business issues affecting the sports industry. In 1998 the NSLI hosted a major multi-day conference titled “Sports Law in the 21st Century,” which brought together the country’s leading sports law scholars to address current sports law issues and trends. Recent NSLI single-day seminars have considered “Ethical Issues in Sports Law” (Fall 1999), “Disability Issues in Sports Law” (Spring 1999); and “Insurance Issues in Sports Law” (Fall 1998). NSLI sponsored Sports Law Workshops bring experts in the sports law and business fields to Marquette to discuss various topics of current concern. The NSLI also sponsors participation by Marquette University Law School students in the annual sports law moot court competition held in New Orleans, Louisiana. In the future the NSLI anticipates sponsoring and hosting an annual Sports and Entertainment Law Negotiation Competition for law students.

The NSLI offers three categories of membership:

INDIVIDUAL ($100 annually) receives the Journal and For The Record;

LIBRARY ($25 annually) receives the Journal; and

STUDENT ($25 annually) receives the Journal and For The Record;

Contact the NSLI for further information.

MEMBERSHIPS

The NSLI publishes the Marquette Sports Law Journal, the first scholarly journal devoted entirely to sports law issues. The Journal is edited by Marquette University Law School students under the supervision of the NSLI’s directors. The NSLI also publishes three newsletters: (1) For the Record covers a wide range of legal issues relating to professional and amateur sports; (2) You Make the Call... provides readers with synopses of recent court cases in sports and entertainment law (available on the NSLI’s website); and (3) Sports Facility Reports provides detailed information about the ever-changing sports and entertainment facilities industry (will be available on the NSLI’s website). The NSLI recently published books titled Sports Law: A Desktop Handbook and Sports Law & Regulation.

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STUDENT INTERNSHIPS

Under the supervision of the National Sports Law Institute’s directors, Marquette University Law School students have the opportunity to gain valuable legal and business experience by participating in sports law related internships with Conference USA, the Marquette University Athletic Department, Miller Brewing Company, the Milwaukee Brewers, the Milwaukee Bucks, the Milwaukee Public Schools Sports and Athletics Department, the Milwaukee Rampage, the Milwaukee Tennis Classic Foundation, Stadium Game Management Group, LLC, and the University of Wisconsin-Whitewater Athletic Department.

MEDIA RESOURCE

The NSLI is a frequent media resource for stories discussing various issues in the sports industry and sports law field. Contact the NSLI at (414) 288-5815, by fax at (414) 288-5818, or by e-mail at munsli@Marquette.edu for assistance.

SPONSORED EVENTS

The NSLI sponsors two professional awards:

Master of the Game Award

The Master of the Game Award honors an individual who has made substantial contributions to the sports industry at the national level and who exemplifies the highest level of professionalism in his or her field. Past recipients of this award include Al McGuire, former Marquette University men’s basketball coach and CBS NCAA basketball television analyst (1992); Bart Starr, former Green Bay Packers quarterback (1994); Henry Aaron, baseball’s all-time home run king and Vice President, Atlanta Braves (1995); and Bob Harlan, President, Green Bay Packers (1997).

Joseph E. O’Neill Award

The Joseph E. O’Neill Award was established by the O’Neill family, Davis & Kuelthau, S.C., Milwaukee, Wisconsin and the National Sports Law Institute after Mr. O’Neill’s untimely death in 1992. The award is given to an individual in the sports industry who has made a significant contribution to the field while exemplifying the highest ethical standards. Past recipients of this award are A. Jackson Mills, former President of the Sports Lawyers Association (1993), Brian Burke, President and General Manager, Vancouver Canucks (1995); Joseph E. Tierney, Jr., attorney for the Bradley Foundation and Milwaukee Admirals hockey club (1996); Charles W. Mulcahy, Whyte Hirschboeck Dudek SC and President, Milwaukee Tennis Classic Foundation (1998) and Daniel R. Doucette, President and Principal Owner, Milwaukee Rampage and Wisconsin Rebels, and President and Chief Executive Officer, Milwaukee Mutual Insurance Company (1999).