

# Sports Law Alumni News

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## Marquette University Law School and the Marquette University College of Business Administration establish first *JD/MBA in sports business*

Marquette University recently established a joint JD/MBA in sports business through its Law School and College of Business Administration. The program enables students to earn both degrees in less time than if each degree were pursued separately (typically a total of four years). By also earning the NSLI's Sports Law Certificate, Marquette students have the opportunity to combine their knowledge of sports law with a graduate business education that will provide them with a unique package of educational credentials that promises to be attractive to sports industry employers. Moreover, the general legal and business knowledge acquired, and the skills developed in the joint JD/MBA degree program, are readily transferable to other industries.

More information on the JD/MBA in sports business will soon be on the NSLI's website at <http://law.marquette.edu/jw/jdmba>.



## New Sports Law Alumni Association Website Launched

As part of the launching of Marquette University Law School's new website, the area devoted to the National Sports Law Institute's Sports Law Alumni Association has also been redesigned at <http://law.marquette.edu/jw/slaa>.

Information on membership, the management and various ad hoc committees, events, gift opportunities, the alumnus of the year award and all issues of this newsletter are available on line.

## CALENDAR



Thursday, September 25 and Friday, September 26, 2003

"International Sports Law and Business in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century" cosponsored by the National Sports Law Institute and the International Association of Sports Law.

Marquette University, Alumni Memorial Union, Milwaukee, Wisconsin  
More information is available at <http://law.marquette.edu/jw/isl>.

## Alums in New Positions

Lora Kaelber (L'02), formerly a law clerk with the Wisconsin Supreme Court, is now an associate in litigation with Gray & End LLP, in Milwaukee.

Scott Lascari (L'97), formerly with Schopf & Weiss in Chicago, is now with Gardner Carton & Douglas, LLC in Chicago.

Ben Menzel (L'02), formerly with Beck, Chaet & Bamberger, is now with Previat, Goldberg, Uelmen, Gratz, Miller & Brueggeman in Milwaukee.

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## Association Member Profiles

**MIKE MARCIL** received his law degree from Marquette University in 1985 and he credits the professors at MULS for providing the inspiration and background for his career in sports administration.

Marcil is currently serving as the fifth commissioner in the history of the North Central Conference. The North Central Conference includes Augustana College, Minnesota State University, Mankato, University of Nebraska at Omaha, University of North Dakota, North Dakota State University, St. Cloud State University, University of South Dakota, and South Dakota State University. The NCC has long been considered one of the premiere athletic conferences in NCAA Division II and each year awards championships in 10 men's and 10 women's sports. In the 52 years since the North Central Conference joined the NCAA, NCC member institutions have brought home 41 NCAA national championships, over 120 NCAA individual titles and hundreds of NCAA student-athlete academic honors.

During the past four years, Marcil also served as a member of the NCAA Division II Management Council and in 2001 was elected chair of the Management Council and became a member of the NCAA Executive Committee. Marcil has also worked on the NCAA Division II Committee on Infractions, NCAA Division II Championships Committee, NCAA Division II Budget and Finance Committee, NCAA Division II Student-Athlete Advisory Committee and the NCAA North Central Region Men's Basketball Committee. In 2001, Marcil also chaired the committee that developed the NCAA Division II Compliance Blueprint Program.

Marcil came to the NCC after serving as an NCAA Membership Services Representative for six years. At the NCAA national office, Marcil conducted NCAA compliance reviews for member institutions and assisted with the NCAA Division I Athletics Certification Program. Marcil has been an assistant in the athletic departments at Creighton University, Miami-Dade Community College and St. Thomas University (FL). He also previously served as associate commissioner of the Northeast Conference.

Marcil, who is originally from Omaha, received a bachelor's degree from Creighton University in 1982, and a master's degree in sports administration from St. Thomas University (FL) in 1986. He now lives in Sioux Falls, South Dakota. Marcil's father, John W. Marcil, is a 1953 graduate of Marquette University and his uncle, Rev. William J. Doran, S. J., is the former president of Marquette University High School.

**APRIL (ANDERSON) HAVERTY** is currently the Director of Technology Transfer and Contracts Administrator in the Office of Research & Sponsored Programs at Marquette University, working primarily with corporate sponsorship of research and the administration of the University's Intellectual Property Policy.

She is a member of the Association of University Technology Managers, the National Council of University Research Administrators, the Wisconsin Intellectual Property Law Association and serves on the Management Committee of the Sports Law Alumni Association as well as the Sports Law Editor Review Group. Prior to joining Marquette she served as a consultant for The Leib Group, LLC, a legal and financial sports consulting firm and authored two books on the financing and lease analysis of Major League Baseball and Major League Soccer for Front Office Publications.

Ms. Haverty is a 1999 graduate of Marquette University Law School where she served as Editor-in-Chief of the *Marquette Sports Law Journal*. She also holds a Master's degree in Athletic Administration from Idaho State University and received her Bachelor's degree in Political Science from Boston College. A native Idahoan, she's discovered that Milwaukee "ain't that bad a place" and expects to stay at least until the Golden Eagles win a national championship.

**BENJAMIN A. MENZEL** is an associate with the downtown law firm of Previant, Goldberg, Uelmen, Gratz, Miller & Brueggeman, S.C. Mr. Menzel's practice focuses on ERISA collection litigation. Prior to joining Previant, Goldberg, Mr. Menzel was an associate at Beck, Chaet & Bamberger, S.C., where he was involved in civil litigation.

Mr. Menzel graduated from Marquette University Law School in May, 2002 and received the NSLI's Sports Law Certificate. While at Marquette, he served as Editor-In-Chief of the *Marquette Sports Law Review* and received the Francis D. and Jane Keogh Kelly Scholarship, the Joseph E. O'Neill Prize for Student Writing and the Martin J. Greenberg Award. Mr. Menzel is also a 1997 graduate of the University of Wisconsin - Milwaukee.