



**REPORT OF THE
NCAA DIVISION I COMMITTEE FOR LEGISLATIVE RELIEF
MAY 23, 2019, TELECONFERENCE**

KEY ITEMS.

1. **Modification of NCAA Division I Committee for Legislative Relief NCAA Division I Bylaw 14.5.5.1 Four-Year College Transfers Guidelines and Information Standards.** The Committee for Legislative Relief reviewed its four-year college transfer guidelines and information standards as specified. [Attachment]
2. **Appointment of New Chair and Vice Chair.** The committee appointed Stephen LaPorta as the new chair and Jennifer Lawlor as the new vice chair, effective September 1, 2019.

ACTION ITEMS.

- None.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.

1. **Review of Committee for Legislative Relief cases decided from February 1, 2019, through April 30, 2019, by the NCAA Staff and the Committee.** The Committee for Legislative Relief reviewed cases decided by the staff and committee from February 1, 2019, through April 30, 2019. A total of 296 cases were reviewed by the staff and committee in Division I. Staff approved 254 cases either fully or with conditions. The staff denied 42 cases, nine of which were appealed to the committee. The Committee for Legislative Relief affirmed the staff decision in six cases and overturned the staff decision on three occasions. Twenty-seven waivers were granted by the staff under the Council-approved review process analysis. One case involved Bylaw 11 (personnel), 11 cases involved Bylaw 12 (amateurism), four cases involved Bylaw 13 (recruiting), one case involved Bylaw 15 (financial aid), seven cases involved Bylaw 16 (awards and benefits) and seven cases involved Bylaw 17 (playing and practice seasons). The staff used the “totality of the circumstances” rationale to approve 22 cases during this period.
2. **Discussion on Waivers of the Temporary Certification Period.** The Committee for Legislative Relief reviewed case precedent and agreed that relief should be provided to permit student-athletes to continue to engage in practice when the institution can demonstrate that the student-athlete and the institution have cooperated with the amateurism certification process staff and have not unnecessarily delayed the process. The committee agreed that the legislative relief waiver staff should collaborate extensively with the amateurism certification process staff on waivers of the temporary certification period. To ensure that the institution and student-athlete continue working with the amateurism certification process staff to finalize the certification, relief should only be provided for seven days at a time.
3. **Review of Soccer Nonchampionship Segment Waivers.** The committee reviewed waiver requests involving the maximum contest limitations legislation. Specifically, the committee discussed requests to exceed the maximum amount of contest during the nonchampionship segment due to the cancellation of contests during the championship segment.

The committee agreed that further data was needed and instructed staff to continue reviewing requests on a case-by-case basis. The committee agreed to continue its discussion during a further meeting.

4. **NCAA Division I Legislative Committee Update.** The committee received an update on key items from the April 2019, meeting of the Legislative Committee.
5. **Review of the February 2019, Committee for Legislative Relief Report to the NCAA Division I Legislative Committee.** The Committee for Legislative Relief reviewed and approved the report of the February 11-12, 2019, meeting.
6. **Future Meeting Dates.**
 - a. August 2019, via teleconference;
 - b. October 2019, via teleconference;
 - c. February 2020, in-person meeting; Indianapolis; and
 - d. May 2020 via teleconference.

Committee Chair: Kaity McKittrick, Lafayette College

Staff Liaisons: DJ Brown, Academic and Membership Affairs

Jerry Vaughn, Academic and Membership Affairs

NCAA Division I Committee for Legislative Relief May 23, 2019, Teleconference
Attendees:
Stephen Aley, University of Texas at El Paso.
Meredith Eaker, ASUN Conference.
Stephen LaPorta, James Madison University.
Jennifer Lawlor, Monmouth University.
Kaity McKittrick, Lafayette College.
Tim Parker, Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University.
Absentees:
Amanda Carroll, Florida Gulf Coast University; and Eric Price, Pac-12 Conference.
NCAA Staff Liaisons in Attendance:
DJ Brown and Jerry Vaughn.
Other NCAA Staff Members in Attendance:
Chris Johnson and Brandy Hataway.