



**REPORT OF THE
NCAA DIVISION II COMMITTEE FOR LEGISLATIVE RELIEF
MARCH 18, 2019, TELECONFERENCE**

ACTION ITEMS.

- None.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.

1. **Review of NCAA Division II Committee for Legislative Relief roster.** The committee reviewed the updated roster.
2. **Review of the October 3, 2018, Committee for Legislative Relief report to the NCAA Division II Management Council.** The committee reviewed the October 3, 2018, report and approved it as written.
3. **Review of October 2018 and January 2019 NCAA Division II Management Council and Presidents Council Summaries of Actions.** The committee reviewed the summary of actions from the Management Council and Presidents Council October 2018 and January 2019 meetings.
4. **Division II University Update.** The committee received an update on Division II University and the status of the April 1, 2019, release of the 2019-20 coaches certification curriculum and the communication plan surrounding the release of the curriculum.
5. **Review of NCAA Conflict of Interest Policy.** The committee reviewed the NCAA Conflict of Interest policy and reiterated the importance of committee members recusing themselves if a conflict exists.
6. **Review of the Division II Strategic Plan midterm assessment.** The committee reviewed a progress report on the implementation of the 2015-21 Division II Strategic Plan and corresponding educational materials on the NCAA website.
7. **Review of Committee for Legislative Relief cases decided from August 1, 2018, through January 31, 2019, by the NCAA staff and committee.** The committee reviewed cases decided by staff and the committee from August 1, 2018, through January 31, 2019. A total of 174 cases were submitted in Division II and 153 cases were decided by staff and the committee during this time period. Of the 153 cases decided, staff approved 120 cases, 29 of which were approved with conditions. Two of the 120 cases were approved based on the totality of the circumstances, one of which was previously approved and archived by the committee. Both cases involved the application of the organized competition legislation before initial collegiate enrollment. The committee reviewed the case approved by staff based on the totality of the circumstances and noted that the case should be archived. Additionally, the staff denied 15 cases, 13 of which were appealed to the committee. The committee affirmed the staff decision in nine cases.

- 8. Review of newly adopted legislation.** The committee received an update regarding legislation adopted at the 2019 NCAA Convention. The adoption of NCAA Division II Proposal No. 2019-3 (eligibility – seasons of competition: 10-semester/15-quarter – criteria for determining season of eligibility – participation in organized competition before initial collegiate enrollment – exceptions to participation in organized competition – service exceptions) established an exception to the participation in organized competition legislation during time spent in the armed services, on official religious missions or with recognized foreign aid services of the U.S. government. It is anticipated this legislation will reduce the number of legislative relief waivers submitted by the Division II membership.

As part of the update, the committee was advised that the Division II Legislation Committee recommended noncontroversial legislation to specify that participation in organized competition during the period between the completion of time spent in the armed services, on an official religious mission or with a recognized foreign aid service of the U.S. government and the period between completion of the service commitment and the first opportunity to enroll as a full-time student in a regular academic term is exempt from the application of the organized competition before initial collegiate enrollment legislation. It was also noted that the Management Council will review the noncontroversial proposal in legislative form at its meeting in April 2019.

- 9. Future meeting date.** Staff noted that a teleconference is anticipated in September 2019, and additional information will be provided at a later date.

Committee Chair: Audra Kedy, Great American Conference

Staff Liaison(s): Geoff Bentzel, Academic and Membership Affairs

Chelsea Hooks, Academic and Membership Affairs

NCAA Division II Committee for Legislative Relief March 18, 2019, Teleconference	
Attendees:	
Marcus Clarke, Central Intercollegiate Athletic Association.	
Joshua Doody, Notre Dame de Namur University.	
Ellen Fagerstrom, Minnesota State University, Moorhead.	
Matt Finley, Anderson University (South Carolina).	
Audra Kedy, Great American Conference.	
Absentees:	
None.	
Guests in Attendance:	
None.	
NCAA Staff Support in Attendance:	
Geoff Bentzel and Chelsea Hooks.	
Other NCAA Staff Members in Attendance:	
Maritza Jones, Melissa Marchini, Stephanie Quigg Smith and Karen Wolf.	