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Co-Chair, Goulston & Storrs' Sports Law Practice
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Martin Edel co-chairs the Goulston & Storrs Sports Law Practice, which has been recognized as one of the best in the United States. At Columbia Law School, Mr. Edel teaches Sports Law as an Adjunct Instructor in Law and at Brooklyn Law School, Mr. Edel is an Adjunct Professor, teaching Antitrust Law and Sports Law. Mr. Edel advises colleges & universities, professional teams and sports leagues on sports issues. He also is one of a select group of mediators for the Court of Arbitration in Sports.

Mr. Edel is a SuperLawyer® in Sports and Entertainment. He also has been recognized by Bloomberg as one of 30 sports leaders. Mr. Edel has written and spoken on sports law issues.

EDUCATION

JD, Harvard Law School, Boykin Wright Award
BA, Columbia College, *summa cum laude*

EMPLOYMENT

Legal

2018-Present: Counsel, Goulston & Storrs PC, and Co-Chair of its Sports Law Practice
1978-2018: Partner, Miller & Wrubel P.C.
1975-1978: Associate, Cravath, Swaine & Moore

Academic

1999-Present: **Brooklyn** Law School, Adjunct Professor, teaching Sports Law and Antitrust Law
2019-Present: Columbia Law School, Adjunct Instructor at Law, teaching Sports Law.
2015-2018 NYU Tisch Institute for Sports Management, Media & Business, Adjunct Instructor, teaching Antitrust & Collective Bargaining and Sports Law

PUBLICATIONS (AUTHORED OR CO-AUTHORED)

Articles

“Can Modern Protections Stem Illegal Gambling’s Eternal Appeal?”, *Sportico*, 04/07/2025

“As NCAA Stays Under Attack, Its Rules Serve a Critical Purpose,” *Sportico*, 02/14/2024

“Dealing with Gender Discrimination in College Athletics,” *The Athletic Administrator*, 12/10/2021

“Evolving Private Company M&A Considerations in the COVID-19 Era,” *American Bar Association Business Law Today*, 10/21/2020

“The Right of Privacy: The Three Stooges Teach Tiger Woods a Lesson,” *Entertainment Arts and Sports Law Journal*, Summer 2002, Vol. 13, No. 2

“The Fifth Annual Symposium on Legal Issues in Professional Sports,” “Restructuring Professional Sports Leagues,” *Fordham Intellectual Property, Media & Entertainment Law Journal*, Winter 2002, Vol. XII, No. 2.

Quoted on sports-related and antitrust issues in The Wall Street Journal, the New York Times, Yahoo Finance, the Washington Times, The Athletic, Chronicle of Higher Education, the Sports Business Journal and Law360

Advisories

“Proactive Steps in Dealing with Gender Discrimination in College Athletics,” 03/11/2022

“Are Student- Athletes Employees or Students? The NLRB General Counsel Issues Non-Binding Guidance,” 10/06/2021

“Making the Roster: Conflicting Title IX Interpretations Present Challenges for Transgender Athlete Participation,” 06/25/2021

“In Unanimous Ruling, Supreme Court Takes Aim at NCAA’s ‘Amateurism Model’” 06/21/2021

“The Latest on NIL: Updates to State and Federal Laws,” 04/06/2021

“When a Stick Tastes Like a Carrot – Post-Employment Payouts for College Coaches,” 03/25/2021

“Identifying and Implementing Meaningful Cultural Change in College Athletic Departments,” 12/21/2020

“Are You Ready to Comply with Evolving Name, Image and Likeness (NIL) Rules and Regulations?” 12/15/2020

“Taking a Hit: College Athletics Downsize in Response to COVID-19 Related Financial Losses,” 11/02/2020

“The New Name, Image and Likeness Playing Field for Colleges and Universities – What You Need to Know,” 10/14/2020

“Making Meaningful Cultural Change in Athletic Departments,” 10/09/2020

“New York Court Declares Fantasy Sports Betting Unconstitutional,” 09/02/2020

“How Contract Provisions and Common Law Principles Will Impact the Sports Business,” 08/31/2020

BROADCASTS

Regular contributor to Bloomberg Business of Sports. Since 2022, Marty has appeared on the following broadcasts:

- NASCAR, Michael Jordan’s Racing Team Settle Antitrust Suit, 12/12/2025
- NFLPA Embroiled in Controversy, 7/25/2025
- Sports Gambling and the House Settlement, 06/06/2025
- College Sports and Sports Betting at Colleges, 12/06/2024
- The Two Jordans and the NCAA Settlement, 05/31/2024
- College Players Unionize; Karl-Anthony Towns, 03/08/2024
- Signal Stealing, The Baseball Exemption and College Athletes as Employees, 11/24/23
- Evolution of Youth Sports; Voters Reject Coyotes Arena, 05/19/23
- Athletes Preparing for Future NCAA Leader, 01/05/2023
- LIV Golf Files Suit, NFL Files Appeal, 08/04/2022

Contributor to Bloomberg on sports-related issues, including the following podcasts:

- Bloomberg Business Week: Martin discusses the NASCAR/Jordan settlement and the legal issues involved when prediction platforms engage in sports betting, 12/12/2025
- Bloomberg Law: Marty discusses the Status of the Baseball Exemption, 03/06/2026
- Bloomberg Law: Marty discusses the NCAA and Antitrust Law, 05/30/2024
- Bloomberg Law: Martin discusses the legal issues involved in classifying student-athletes as employees, 12/21/2023
- Bloomberg Law: Marty discusses the latest developments in the PGA Tour/LIV Golf Merger and the status of the baseball antitrust exemption, 07/05/2023
- Bloomberg Law: Marty discusses New York and California’s gender discrimination investigation of the NFL, 05/09/2023
- Bloomberg’s Balance of Power: Sports Law From Golf Antitrust to Soccer Bribery Trial, 02/06/2023

INTERVIEWED ON:

- **“Uptown Radio”** concerning the National Women Soccer League settlement of gender discrimination and harassment claims with NY, Illinois and DC
- **“Here and Now.”** Interviewed on NPR’s “Here and Now” segment entitled “More States are Allowing College Athletes to Profit off Their Name, Image and Likeness,” 10/18/2021

Contributor to **“After Jackie,”** a documentary broadcast on the History® Channel
Speaker at various webinars, podcasts, symposia and sports societies.

HONORS

Named by Bloomberg as one of its 30 sports leaders in 2018 and 2019

Recognized as a SuperLawyer® in Sports and Entertainment, 2013-Present

The Sports Law Expert cited Columbia Law School’s sports law program as “deserving mention in our Top Twenty List” because “the school offers a litany of powerful and topical sports law courses, taught by attorneys like Martin Edel.”

One of 40 mediators selected by the Court of Arbitration in Sports

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

Chair, Sports Committee of the NYC Bar Association, 1999-2001

Member, Sports and Antitrust Committees, NYC Bar Association

Member, Antitrust Committee, NYS Bar Association

Member, Federal Bar Council

BAR ADMISSIONS

NYS, SDNY, EDNY, Second Circuit, Fourth Circuit, Ninth Circuit, U.S. Supreme Court