

## Preface

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## **PREFACE**

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**FRANCIS T. VINCENT, JR.**  
Commissioner

It is a pleasure to introduce the inaugural issue of the Journal of the National Sports Law Institute. As one trained and experienced in the law, I recognize the great value of a publication of this nature and quality. As we know, sports and the law have become inexorably linked in modern society. We need only pick up the daily newspaper to encounter legal issues in amateur, collegiate, olympic, and professional sports.

The National Sports Law Institute at Marquette University Law School has taken the lead in producing a journal completely dedicated to the scholarly treatment of sports law issues. As the legal system affects an ever-growing number of individuals in sports, the need for this journal increases. I welcome it as a new and valuable resource.

**FAY VINCENT**  
Commissioner of Baseball

