

# WISLAW NEWSLETTER

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## WISLAW: BRINGING WOMEN TOGETHER

While our international network of Women In Sports Law keeps growing (we currently have more than 100 members from almost 40 different countries!), we are also grateful to our numerous friends & sponsors for supporting our initiative in various ways. If you are interested in getting more actively involved in WISLaw, please contact us: [info.wislaw@gmail.com](mailto:info.wislaw@gmail.com)



At the Tackling Doping in Sport Conference in London on March 9



At the Women & Football Conference in Madrid on March 23 (org. by R. Bellver)

Being part of WISLaw is much more than building an international network / directory of women active – and interested in – sports law: we get to meet new colleagues from around the world and exchange ideas on topical sports-related issues, create synergies and work together towards increasing diversity in the sports law business.

## Our WISLaw events and meetings in March 2017

### Meeting at the FIFA4Equality Conference in Zurich (CH) on March 6

Our WISLaw Board Members met at the FIFA4Equality Conference that took place at the FIFA Headquarters in Zurich on March 6. FIFA's third annual conference on "Making Equality a Reality" brought to Zurich some of the world's strongest voices in the fight for a fair, non-discriminatory society.

### Discrimination against Women in Sport Conference in Lancashire (UK) on March 8

The one day conference was held in Lancashire as part of the International Women's Day celebrations and provided a forum to explore how historical views and decisions regarding women and sport prevented the development of women in sport. WISLaw Member Carol Couse (Consultant at Mills & Reeve) spoke about the professionalization of women's football.

### Tackling Doping in Sport Conference in London (UK) on March 9

Our WISLaw members Despina Mavromati, Catherine Ordway and Louise Reilly were among the speakers at the TDiS conference. We also had a great meeting with other WISLaw members at the TDiS conference, where our member Kendrah Potts (Legal Dir., Mishcon De Reya) discussed the legal challenges of the IOC retesting program. Thanks to the TDiS organizers for hosting our WISLaw meeting!

### WISLaw & Madrid Bar Association Conference "Women and Football" in Madrid (ES) on March 23

With more than 60 participants, the Madrid Bar Association & WISLaw event on "Women and Football: Challenges and Reflections" on March 23 was highly successful! WISLaw Member & President of the Madrid Association of Sports Lawyers Reyes Bellver co-organized the conference & moderated one of the roundtables. In the two roundtables, the speakers discussed the challenges that women's football is currently facing but also the role of women in football.

### NYU Tisch Sports Institute & WISLaw Women's Career Panel in NYC (USA) on March 23

WISLaw & the Tisch Sports Institute of the New York University organized an exciting event bringing together professionals pursuing careers in sports law, including at the NHL, RelEvent Sports Agency, the Court of Arbitration for Sport, and in private practice. In a Panel moderated by WISLaw Member Cameron Myler, the Panelists (Susi Fiori, Despina Mavromati, Jill Pilgrim, Angela



*Women's Career Panel at the Tisch Institute of the New York University on March 23*



*The WISLaw Board with R. Bellver at the FIFA4Equality Conf. in Zurich on March 6*



*C. Couse at the Discrimination against Women in Sport Conference in Lancashire on March 8*



*WISLaw Members at the WADA Symposium in Lausanne on March 14*



*T. Evans Land & C. Myler at the 28<sup>th</sup> PBWC Conference in San Francisco on March 28*

Smedley, Carla Varriale & Alison Wagner) discussed their own career paths, as well as recent trends in the market, which affect career opportunities at the intersection of sports and law.

### **WISLaw Meeting at the 28<sup>th</sup> Annual PBWC Conference in San Francisco (USA) (March 28)**

WISLaw Member, 4x Olympian & NYU Prof. Cameron Myler chaired a seminar entitled “Living Your Authentic Life with Olympic Values” together with her fellow Olympians Tracy Evans Land and Jaime Komer at the Professional Business Women of California Conference.

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*Interested in organizing a WISLaw event in your region? Please contact us: [events.wislaw@gmail.com](mailto:events.wislaw@gmail.com)!*

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## **OUR APRIL-MAY EVENTS & MEETINGS**

### **WISLaw Meeting at the Antidoping Research & Regulations Conference Program, Bond University (Australia), on April 5-6:**

WISLaw members will meet at this conference, where our member Catherine Ordway will speak about governance in anti-doping. See the full program of the conference [here](#).

**#WomenTalkSports in Arizona (USA) on April 6:** Join the Arizona Diamondbacks, the SLA and WISLaw for an event featuring local women in the sports law industry. WISLaw Member Nona Lee (Senior VP / Gen. Counsel of Arizona Diamondbacks) will be one of the Panelists. See the program [here](#).

**#WomenTalkFootball in Zurich (CH) on April 7:** we will have a networking lunch discussion with WISLaw Hon. President & FIFA Council candidate Moya Dodd in Zurich on April 7. Moya will answer questions related to the reforms for increased involvement of women in leadership positions in football and the battle for gender equality in sport. You can register [here](#).

### **WISLaw Meeting at the Macolin Anti-Doping Summit in Macolin (CH) on April 28-29:**

WISLaw Members Brianna Quinn (Lévy/Kaufmann-Kohler) & Emily Wisnosky (Univ. of Neuchâtel) will both be speakers at this conference organized by the University of Neuchâtel at the Swiss National Sports Center. More information can be found [here](#).

### **WISLaw Meeting at the Sports Dispute Resolution Center of Canada (SDRCC) in Québec City, on May 5.**

WISLaw members will meet at the [SDRCC Public Conference](#). Our Members Janie Soublière and Carol Roberts will officially present WISLaw to Canadian sports lawyers.

### **WISLaw Meeting at the Sports Lawyers Association (SLA) Annual Conference in Denver, (USA) on May 18-20.**

WISLaw members will meet at the SLA Annual Conference that will be held in Denver (May 18-20, 2017). We will officially present WISLaw at the SLA “Women’s Breakfast” on May 19. Find the link to the SLA website and register [here](#).