



Allison Garrett and Crystal Armstrong Examine Emerging Title IX Considerations in College Athletics

Spencer Fane attorneys [Allison Garrett](#) and [Crystal Armstrong](#) recently co-authored a *University Business* op-ed, "[Beyond NIL: New Title IX Considerations in College Athletics](#)." In the article, they explore how the rapidly evolving college athletics landscape is creating Title IX considerations that extend beyond traditional athletics compliance.

As institutions continue adapting to the post-*House* settlement environment and expanded student-athlete compensation opportunities, Allison and Crystal explain that university leaders should remain attentive to related Title IX implications. They note that emerging legal challenges, governance questions, and compliance responsibilities may require greater coordination among athletics administrators, general counsel, Title IX coordinators, compliance personnel, and other institutional leadership.

Allison and Crystal also highlight the growing role of NIL collectives and other third-party organizations, which may present additional oversight and risk management challenges for colleges and universities. They encourage boards and administrators to evaluate reporting structures, oversight mechanisms, and compliance programs so institutions are prepared to address evolving regulatory expectations.

At Spencer Fane, Allison is a key member of the firm's higher education practice, advising colleges and universities on complex regulatory, operational, governance, and compliance matters. Crystal assists clients with a broad range of health care, corporate, and tax issues and brings additional experience from her prior work in education settings.

Read the full *University Business* article [here](#).