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# Athlete Case Targeting NCAA \$2.8 Billion Deal Floats New Theory

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[Michael Lowe](#), a partner with Troutman Pepper Locke, was quoted in the June 11, 2026 *Bloomberg Law* article, “Athlete Case Targeting NCAA \$2.8 Billion Deal Floats New Theory.”

Michael Lowe, litigation partner with Troutman Pepper Locke, said he’s not surprised that the case has been filed, given that state laws clearly conflict with what the NCAA and the plaintiffs’ attorneys wanted to accomplish with the settlement.

The NCAA really needed Congress to pass legislation to help enforce the settlement but those [efforts](#) fell through, Lowe said.

“Congress hasn’t been able to give them the surgery they need yet,” he said.

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