

# Sports Law Expert Podcast Features Sports Lawyer Ellen Zavian, Law Professor and GC of USA Lacrosse

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AUSTIN, TX, UNITED STATES, January 17, 2024 /EINPresswire.com/ -- Hackney Publications announced today the release of the latest episode of Sports Law Expert Podcast, which features [Ellen Zavian](#), a sports law professorial lecturer at The George Washington University School of Business and Law School and General Counsel for USA Lacrosse.

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“Ellen is a trailblazer in so many ways,” said Holt Hackney, the publisher of Hackney Publications. “She was the first female NFL sports agent. Ellen was also among the first

sports lawyers to recognize the power of Esports and emergence in the industry. To that end, she was the founding Editor-in-Chief of Esports and the Law (<https://esportsandthelaw.com/>). What is even more impressive about Ellen is that she has been successful in higher education as well as the private sector. Her story is compelling for both established sports lawyers and those who aspire to be sports lawyers.”

## ABOUT ELLEN ZAVIAN

Ellen M. Zavian began her career in sports when she was a student at the University of Maryland where she worked in the university's intramural sports and recreation department while working at the Maryland Racetracks in the promotional department on weekends. While earning her law degree, she interned at the National Football League Players Association (NFLPA). Soon after graduation, Ms. Zavian became the first female attorney/agent in the NFL. She has represented the US Women's Soccer and Softball gold medalists and extreme athletes, collectively, and held

the title of Commissioner for the Central Atlantic Collegiate Conference (NCAA).

Zavian served as coordinator for the NFLPA's Native American project, a nationally recognized journalist, and a court expert in licensing/sports agreements. She also created the United Breakin Association, a global association for competitive break dancers and was appointed to a task force to get break dancing in the Olympics (Youth Olympics 2018 and Olympics 2024).

She has served on many sports-related committees, including the DC Bar's Arts, Entertainment, Media, and Sports Section, and co-created the Association of Corporate Counsel's Sports & Entertainment Committee. She teaches sports law, negotiations, leadership, and entrepreneurship at the George Washington University School of Business and serves as a moot court coach at George Washington Law School, while serving her clients in the sports industry, conducting arbitrations, and leading corporate workshops.



In the summer of 2022, Zavian became the first General Counsel of USA Lacrosse.

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