



Requests/Self-Reports Online Case Management System

Institution: Rutgers, State Univ of New Jersey, New Brunswick
Case Type: Interpretation Request

Division: I

Case ID: 530991

Date: 11/13/2013

General Information

Institution Information

Applicant Institution Rutgers, State Univ of New Jersey, New Brunswick

Division of Institution I

Conference American Athletic Conference

Phone Number 732/932-1766

Academic year related to this request 2013-14

Sub Case Types

Please check all the Interpretation Request sub-case types and conditions that apply

Recruiting - Bylaw 13

Legislation Related to this Request

Provide cite(s) of applicable legislation, educational column or interpretation

| Type | Division | ID | Text |
|----------------|----------|---------|--|
| Bylaw | I | 13.15 | Precollege Expenses. |
| Interpretation | I | | Donations to Groups that Involve or Benefit Prospective Student-Athletes (I) |
| Bylaw | I | 13.15.1 | Prohibited Expenses. |

One sentence statement that describes the interpretive issue.

Requesting an interpretation of Bylaw 13.15.1 allowing Rutgers University and all NCAA golf sponsoring institutions to participate in The Folds of Honor fundraising scholarship efforts.

Case Prioritization Information

Do the circumstances of this request require urgent review (within the next two business days)? Yes

Provide the date of the issue requiring expedited review 11/11/2013

Select the reason(s) for the expedited review request.

Other (Description of the request must include explanation of the circumstances necessitating expedited review)

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Describe the interpretive request

In speaking with Rutgers University Men's Golf and the GCAA, we are seeking interpretative support regarding NCAA Bylaw 13.15.1. The language in the legislation restricts institutions from directly and indirectly financing educational expenses (e.g. scholarships) for PSAs. Recent interpretations have been issued permitting institutions to donate to bona fide youth organizations which may be comprised of PSAS provided there is no earmarking for PSAs. The Folds of Honor (<http://www.foldsofhonor.org/>) is a nonprofit organization which raises funds for scholarships and other assistance for spouses and children of soldiers killed or disabled in service for the United States of America. There is an extensive application process and there is no earmarking of funds. The institutions who raise funds whether it be through auctions or direct contributions will have no involvement in selecting the awarding recipients. All funds raised are managed and distributed by The Folds of Honor Foundation. Since the foundation provides funding for high school individuals, the question raised was whether NCAA Bylaw 13.15.1 applies in this instance. Or, would The Folds of Honor Foundation fall in the same interpretative context as the 12/20/12 Staff Interpretation and RSRO Interp request case#495865?

Have you previously contacted any NCAA staff regarding this request? Yes

Provide the case number or name(s) of NCAA staff previously contacted regarding this request Stephen Clar

Provide the date(s) of contact with NCAA staff regarding this request 11/8/13

Have the institution and conference communicated regarding this request? No

Case Documentation

(Maximum individual file size is 10MB.) Upload each document individually.

Recommended Documentation

If necessary

Provide any documentation related to the interpretive request

Case Contacts and Submission

Select Contacts for this Case

Primary Contact Nicholas Ojea (nojea@scarletknights.com) 732/445-7843

Secondary Contact ()

Additional Case Contacts

Additional contacts with a valid email address from the conference or Member institution will receive selected e-mails related to the case.

Email Delivery First Name Last Name Title E-mail Address

Terms and Conditions

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I understand the interpretations staff response will be based solely on the specific facts provided in this interpretive request. Any changes to the facts presented, or additional information relevant to this request, must be submitted through Requests/Self-Reports Online.

Agreement by Nicholas Ojea on 11/11/2013

Activity After Case Submission

Responses to Requests for Additional Information