



## Advocacy Update

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**Emmert contacts DI CEOs on scholarship issue** (February 6) — Online voting regarding the multi-year scholarship begins next week and President Emmert would like college presidents to defeat the override. [Read More](#)

**Former Asbury women's coach awarded nearly \$400,000 in discrimination lawsuit** (February 6)— Debi Powell, the former head women's basketball coach for Asbury, has been vindicated in a unanimous verdict. [Read More](#)

**Memphis joining Big East next year** (February 7) — After years of petitioning for admittance and with the support of the University of Louisville head basketball coach Rick Pitino, the University of Memphis will be joining the Big East. [Read More](#)

**North Dakota 'Fighting Sioux' return** (February 8) — In an unexpected development, after compiling more than 17,000 signature, the University of North Dakota has announced that it will return to the 'Fighting Sioux' nickname and logo. President Robert Kelley stated that he was trying to honor the law requiring the use of the nickname and logo. The NCAA has previously ruled that the school must do away with the name or risk sanctions and penalties. [Read More](#)

**NCAA turns down UConn waiver** (February 10)— The University of Connecticut self-imposed penalties earlier this week in hopes of receiving a waiver for the men's basketball team to compete in the 2013 championship tournament. In perhaps a sign of the tougher enforcement environment, that waiver was denied. [Read More](#)

**Big East, WVU reach \$20M settlement** (February 9) — Reports are claiming that the West Virginia Mountaineers and the Big East Conference have agreed to a settlement in which West Virginia will reportedly pay \$11M and the Big 12 will pay \$9M so that Mountaineers may leave. [Read More](#)