



TEAM USA ATHLETES' COMMISSION

USOPC Dispute Resolution Unit (DRU) Athlete Panel Members

Overview

The Ethics & Compliance (E&C) team and the Dispute Resolution Unit (DRU) are working together to improve the dispute resolution system within the Olympic and Paralympic Movement. As part of these efforts, we are seeking to identify a pool of eligible USOPC 10 Year Athletes who are interested in serving as panel members in cases that will be adjudicated through this updated process.

Call for Athlete Representation

E&C and DRU are looking for USOPC 10 Year athletes who can meet the time commitment and requirements detailed below to join a pool of Athlete Representatives who are willing to serve as panel members for disputes across NGBs.

Time Commitment

- Able to attend quarterly meetings to discuss developments in sports law and to receive helpful information for their role as a panel member
- Able to participate in 1- 2 hearings a year (each of which may be several hours long)
- If selected as a Panel Member for a case, able to spend about 1 hour per week for a few months on various administrative issues (attending meetings and preliminary hearings, ruling on motions, answering emails, reading submissions, etc.)

Requirements

- Meet the definition of USOPC 10 Year Athlete (i.e., “an athlete who has been selected by their NGB to represent the United States in a Delegation Event or other International Qualifying Competition within the previous 10 years”)
- Have an interest in law or pursuing a legal career (existing lawyers, law students, and those interested in the law are strongly encouraged)

Desired Experience & Skills

- Athlete representation or sports governance experience
- Can collaborate well with others
- Has an open mind/is objective
- Effective communicator
- Responsive & Organized
- Capable of maintaining absolute confidentiality, performing duties with utmost discretion, and acting with complete integrity

Benefits of Opportunity

- Opportunity to contribute broadly to NGB governance across multiple NGBs
- Opportunity to network with practicing attorneys and legal professionals

Appointment Process

Please send an email a resume and statement of interest to teamusa.ac@teamusa-ac.org if you are interested in this opportunity.