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Highlights

New and updated material in this 2026 Supplement includes coverage of the following topics:

- **Duty of care;** Sixth Circuit found that college was not liable for negligence or intentional infliction of emotional distress in connection with students' claims of inadequate investigation and discipline of sexual assaults committed by students (§1:2)
- **Participant and spectator injuries;** Fifth Circuit found that spectator's nephew was acting with scope of implied authority as spectator's agent when presenting spectator's ticket for admission to wrestling match, and spectator was therefore bound by the arbitration agreement on the ticket (§6:1)
- **Assumption of risk;** Montana Supreme Court granted summary judgment to ski resort operator in skier's negligence action in connection with skiing accident finding that skier's loss of control and fall off steep embankment, which resulted in skier colliding with rock, was an inherent risk of skiing under Montana Skier Responsibility Act (§8:1)
- **Warnings, waivers, and releases;** Electronic liability waiver signed by patron of snowtubing facility precluded recovery against operator for accident patron suffered while snowtubing (§8:2)

- **The NCAA;** Third Circuit held that the NCAA’s “revered tradition of amateurism” did not bar college athletes from asserting claims under the Fair Labor Standards Act (§12:3)
- **Rules restricting eligibility;** Ninth Circuit held that the trial court erroneously conflated the requirements of the Individuals With Disabilities Education Act and the “reasonable accommodation” requirements of the Americans with Disabilities Act to deny a student a fifth year of eligibility for high school athletics (§12:6)

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