

## Aalok Sharma Selected as Chair of the ABA Sports Division

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Stinson LLP attorney [Aalok Sharma](#) begins his term as chair of the Sports Division American Bar Association (ABA) Forum on the Entertainment and Sports Industries this month.

As chair of the division, Sharma will oversee efforts to continue the division's growth, and to examine novel legal and business issues in the sports world, including those addressing amateur and collegiate athletes, sports unions, teams, leagues, venue management, sports data, esports and legalized sports wagering.

"As vice chair of ABA Sports, Aalok demonstrated tremendous leadership and industry expertise while bringing a fresh perspective and enthusiasm to the organization," said former Co-Chairs Daniel Werly, General Counsel of the Tennessee Titans, and Laura Warren, General Counsel of the Chicago Fire Football Club. "We are thrilled to announce Aalok as the new chair of ABA Sports and look forward to him leading and growing the organization in the years to come."

In 2019, Sharma was recognized by the ABA as a leading sports lawyer of the next generation. His sports law practice has been featured by the *Hennepin Lawyer*, *Minnesota Lawyer*, *U.S. Bets*, *Sport Techie*, *WCCO Radio* and more. He also sits on the board of directors of the Minnesota Twins Community Fund, and is a frequent contributor to Stinson's quarterly sports newsletter, *At the Corners*.

"I am excited for the opportunity to chair the sports division for the next two years and to work with innovative sports lawyers who share the same passion for their business," Sharma said. "Front offices, investors and ownership groups are rapidly evolving as their businesses adapt to the future of sports. In my new role with the ABA, we will be looking to support our colleagues in every step of the way in this new legal and business world."

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Sharma is trusted by sports businesses and technology companies to provide counsel in matters relating to the future of sports, including esports, sports tech, legalized sports wagering and integrity. He is frequently involved in bet-the-company litigation, and has significant experience in business litigation, construction litigation and products liability litigation. Prior to becoming an attorney, Sharma worked as a certified public accountant in Washington, DC.

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