

## MEMBERS IN THE NEWS

### Rutledge named Gaming Law Committee chair of ABA Business Law Section

Karl Rutledge of Lewis Roca Rothgerber Christie LLP has been appointed as chair of the Gaming Law Committee of the American Bar Association Business Law Section. Rutledge is a partner in the Gaming Practice Group in the firm's Las Vegas office. He focuses on Internet gaming, sweepstakes, contests, privacy policies and website terms and conditions.

His one-year term as chair of the ABA Business Law Section Gaming Law Committee begins immediately. Rutledge previously served as the Committee's Director of Programs.

"I'm honored to be selected to lead the Gaming Law Committee. As the industry grows it's imperative that we understand the importance of working with counterparts in other areas of the business world to improve each others' understanding of our impact on the country's economy," said Rutledge.



### UNLV Appoints Brett Abarbanel as the New Director of Research, International Gaming Institute

The University of Nevada, Las Vegas, recently appointed Brett Abarbanel as the International Gaming Institute's new director of research.

Abarbanel studied statistics and architecture at Brown before pursuing graduate degrees in hotel/hospitality administration at UNLV. Combine this with a childhood near a horse track and a friend who knew poker, and this is how Abarbanel became the perfect combination of spectator and participant, scholar and lifelong student. Her path has prepared her well for her new role predicting and progressing the gaming and gambling research that will keep UNLV at the forefront of the field.

Abarbanel focuses on all the latest and greatest in the gaming and gambling industry, including eSports, regulation and policy, and developments in consumer behavior.

She states regarding the new UNLV e-sports lab, "E-sports has been around for a while but really boomed in the last couple years. Because we're UNLV and in Las Vegas, we want to look at e-sports as it's relevant to gambling and how those worlds interact and collide, so we're building out an e-sports space that could exist within a casino."

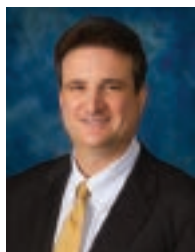
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