

Proskauer Advises X Games in Formation of Innovative New League

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NEW YORK, June 24, 2024 - Leading international law firm Proskauer is pleased to share that it is advising X Games in the formation of its new league, the X Games League ("XGL"). Starting in 2026, XGL will introduce a new global, team-based format to the X Games, the leading action sports competition for the past 30 years. XGL will provide a year-round international competition calendar for X Games, enabling athletes to earn compensation beyond the \$2.4 million already awarded through existing prize purses. The league is backed by MSP Sports Capital (MSP), a Najafi Cos. portfolio company.

Teams will be a vital component of the XGL, featuring athletes from multiple disciplines who will compete for individual and team points to earn both individual and team prize purses. MSP and X Games will secure investors for these new teams.

Both team investors and XGL athletes will have a platform from which to build and generate additional revenue streams through sponsorships and team-specific merchandise. In an industry first, XGL athletes will be provided with a level of stability that includes guaranteed compensation as well as new commercial opportunities.

X Games League will have both a Summer XGL and a Winter XGL – each initially composed of four global events and a minimum of four teams, with plans to grow. The competition schedules will include X Games signature events as well as strategic collaborations with existing competitions.

The Proskauer team advising X Games on XGL's formation is being led by partner Rob Freeman (TMT, Sports); partner David Teigman (EBEC); partner Aaron Lee (Tax); Adam Lupion (Labor); Colin Kass (Antitrust); and associate Sean Wildes (Sports).

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For more than 60 years, Proskauer has advised the world's premier sports organizations on their most critical and complex matters. Our lawyers play a pivotal role in the transactions, negotiations and litigations that are at the leading edge of the business of sports.

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