

# Could the Sports Gambling Ruling Pave the Way for Other Legal Battles?

On Monday, the U.S. Supreme Court played the right card for sports gamblers as it ruled that a federal gambling statute known as the Professional and Amateur Sports Protection Act violated the Tenth Amendment of the Constitution, also called the commandeering clause. As explained in a post on the website of **Androvett Legal Media & Marketing**, the decision gives states the authority to pass their own laws with regard to sports betting.

So what does the ruling mean for the future? Constitutional law attorney **David Coale** places his bet.

“There will be a lot of issues about the intellectual property of sports leagues and teams,” said Coale of the Dallas law firm **Lynn Pinker Cox & Hurst**. “For example, a gambling company will naturally want to put the Cowboys logo in its ads; the Cowboys will want to stop that without control over the conditions of use and payment of a proper fee.”