



**Commemorating the naming of The Drake Group national symposium in honor of
ALLEN L. SACK, Director Emeritus, Past President**

A co-founder of The Drake Group, a Professor Emeritus in the College of Business at the University of New Haven where he taught for forty-one years, the former Director of the federally funded Center for Athletes Rights and Education, and a former linebacker for Notre Dame, he is a nationally recognized scholar who has published extensively in academic journals and presented papers at countless education association conferences. Dr. Sack is the author of *Counterfeit Amateurs: An Athlete's Journey Through the Sixties to the Age of Academic Capitalism* and co-author of *College Athletes for Hire: The Evolution and Legacy of the NCAA's Amateur Myth*.



For over four decades Dr. Sack has been a nationally recognized leader in efforts to protect higher education from the corrupting influence of highly commercialized college sport programs through his persistent efforts that have challenged higher education to plug the holes in its integrity dike. His efforts have been characterized by an unshakable commitment to good scholarship, dependence on research-supported data, and love for the potential of competitive athletics to deliver profound developmental experiences to those who play.

Dr. Sack's leadership guided the evolution of The Drake Group to undertaking an 'advocacy' agenda- combining non-profit organization **action** with academic credibility. From participating in public demonstrations outside NCAA Final Four venues to walking the halls of Congress to seek support for national legislation, effectively generating public pressure and national policy to force national athletic governance organizations and higher education institutions to confront their integrity failures.

-- on this nineteenth day of May in the year 2022 --