On May 30, 2011, what was once unthinkable happened in the state of Ohio. Jim Tressel, one of the most successful and revered football coaches in the history of The Ohio State University (Ohio State), resigned in disgrace. Affectionately known as “The Vest” for the grey sweater vest he wore to each game, it was uncovered that Tressel had known about major violations of National Collegiate Athletic Association rules by Ohio State football players and failed to report them to the University and to the NCAA.

In this Casenote, Konrad Krebs evaluates how the Ohio Supreme Court’s decision in State ex rel. ESPN v. Ohio State provided an unprecedented amount of protection for The Ohio State University to conceal the misdeeds of its student-athletes.

This correspondence should not be construed as legal advice or legal opinion on any specific facts or circumstances. The contents are intended for general informational purposes only, and you are urged to consult a lawyer concerning your own situation and legal questions.