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CONNECTICUT OYSTERS V KENTUCKY HAM IN HUSKIES-WILDCATS MATCHUP

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HARTFORD -- Attorney General George Jepsen, who knows his way around a basketball court, had no problem backing the University of Connecticut's men's basketball team when Kentucky Attorney General Jack Conway called to talk about the NCAA Final Four Tournament.

When Conway put a Meacham Country ham on the table as proof of his confidence in the University of Kentucky Wildcats, Jepsen countered with his own sweet deal: several dozen Connecticut-grown Mystic oysters.

"The only thing smoother than a Mystic oyster is a Kemba Walker jump shot," said Jepsen, who believes the UConn Huskies won't be scratched by the Wildcats when the teams meet Saturday night in Houston.

Conway, meanwhile, may be getting the hot sauce ready. "Personally, I think Mystic oysters would go nicely with a UK victory," he said. The winner of Saturday's game advances to the tournament final on Monday.

Jepsen decided on oysters because of a visit he made this summer to the Noank Aquaculture Cooperative with oyster farmer Stephen J. Plant, owner of Connecticut Cultured Oysters.

"Oysters are now Connecticut's largest agricultural product and I want to let more people in on how good they are. We need to keep Long Island Sound clean so we can continue to grow this great industry," Jepsen said.

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