## The Official Newsletter of the AFLPU



# JULY 29, 2014 STATE OF THE UNION



# **Players Unite!**

During the season, AFLPU hosted union meetings and held important Representation elections. Throughout the year, members expressed their concerns about hours worked, the fair market value of their housing, travel

itinerary, meals provisions, and job security. The membership increased to nearly 90% of player participation. 2015 Forms are over 85%! This shows there is solidarity and overwhelming support for your union. Get your 2015 form and lock in your 2015 dues before the Sept. 2014 deadline.





**State Of The Union** 

**President Kyle Rowley** 

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#### FROM THE PRESDENT



**Kyle Rowley** 

The AFLPU has secured many gains in recent years on behalf of the players in AF1. This could not have happened unless the men support the leadership of the AFLPU. The AFLPU is committed to addressing players concerns and to fight for those gains not yet attained. Thank you for your intestinal fortitude and for standing shoulder to shoulder in solidarity. We are an organization "For The Players, By The Players".





The AFLPU secured a panel of three (3) prominent arbitrators. Grievances that AFLPU members have filed will be scheduled according to time of filings and availability of each arbitrator selected. 2 arbitration hearings were recently held in Chicago with decisions coming in the next 6-8 weeks.

#### <u>CBA</u>

The 2015 season will have weekly game salary increases. Article X Compensation & Expenses, section 10.5 exemplify what those increases will become:

**Active Veterans - \$875** 

**Active Rookie - \$820** 

**Inactive Veterans - \$625** 

## AFL CHINA



AFLPU secured a Collective Bargaining Agreement with AFL China until 2015 with major protections such as contract and injury compensation benefits. AFLPU nearly doubled compensation for the Exhibition games played in 2014. For 2015 the AFLPU and AFL China have not agreed to a Standard Player Contract. Signing any contract to play in China could jeopardize your AFL US Contract and you will be giving up the protections the AFLPU gained for you. ONLY SIGN AN AFLPU approved SPC, Move In Unison! Protect your value.





## **AFL-CIO MEMBER BENEFITS**



As members of this global organization, there are privileges that you are entitled to. For review and to start receiving those benefits, go to: <a href="http://www.aflcio.org/About/Member-Benefits">http://www.aflcio.org/About/Member-Benefits</a>. To learn more about what being a member of AFL-CIO entails, go to: <a href="https://www.AFLCIO.org">www.AFLCIO.org</a>. IN SOLIDARITY!

## **Guidry SETTLEMENT FUNDS**



The AFLPU is extending the deadline for funds to recipients of the *Guidry* class action lawsuit filed in 2000 to those players that have not come forth. If anyone should have any updated contact information of players on the list attached below, contact *James Guidry* at <a href="mailto:james.guidry@aflpu.org">james.guidry@aflpu.org</a>. They will have 2 weeks to claim their refund before the case is turned over to the presiding judge in that case for final disposition of the assets.





# GUIDRY SETTLEMENT RESIDUAL FUNDS RECIPIENTS

LAST NAME	FIRST NAME	<u>CITY</u>	<b>STATE</b>	ZIP
ADAMS	THEO	ROSEVILLE	CA	95747
ASHE	RICHARD	PHOENIX	AZ	85040
BALL	RAPHAEL	HOLLYWOOD	FL	33020
BONAVENTURE	BRANIFF G.	LILBURN	GA	30047
BRAGG	JAMES R.	SEVERNA PARK	MD	21146
BRATTON	JASON E.	LONGVIEW	TX	75604
BROWN	KERRY	<b>BOYNTON BEACH</b>	FL	33436
BROWN	NORMAN	MORGAN HILL	CA	95037
BROWN	MARVIN	SACRAMENTO	CA	95821
BYRD	DESMOND	LOMPOC	CA	93436
CHANDLER	ANTONIO	HILLSBORO	OR	97123
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CHILCOTE	ANDREW	CLIVE	IA	50325
CONNER	DARION	MACON	MS	39353
CULPEPPER	WILLIE J.	APACHE JUNCTION	AZ	85220
CULVER	SHANNON	Paramount	CA	90723
DIXON	TITUS	TAMPA	FL	33637
DORSEY	TOMMY	LAWRENCEVILLE	GA	30043
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DRAKES	ERIC BERNARD	ORLANDO	FL	32839
ELLIS	AHMAD-JAMAL	CHARLOTTE	NC	28215
FOGGIE	RICKEY	RICHFIELD	MN	55423
FOWLER	CARLOS	HOUSTON	TX	77027
<b>FUNDERBUNK II</b>	STEPHEN L.	SUGAR HILL	GA	30518
GOFF	ROBERT L.	BRANDENTON	FL	34203
GREEN	DAMACIO	MIAMI	FL	33127
GREENE	BRIAN	PORTLAND	OR	97219
HALL	VICTOR	ANNISTON	AL	36201
HALL	WILLIAM F.	DESOTO	TX	75115
HART	RANDY M.	NEW BRITAIN	СТ	6051
HENRY JR.	<b>TOMMY GENE</b>	ARCADIA	FL	32466
HOWARD	EDWIN L.	HOUSTON	TX	77071
HUNTER	ANTONIO	NASHVILLE	TN	37207
ILI	JUNIOR	RIVER RIDGE	LA	70123
JACOBS	ANDREW M.	PHOENIX	AZ	85050
JACOBS	JOE	REDLANDS	CA	92374
JAMES	MICHAEL	RENTON	WA	98055
JENKINS	ANTHONY	WINSTON SALEM	NC	27101
JENNINGS	WILLIE E.	COLLEGE PARK	GA	30349
JOHNSON	CARLTON	N. LAS VEGAS	NV	89030
JOHNSON	JAMES	LAS VEGAS	NV	89108





JONES	TOMMY	SANTA CLARA	CA	95054
JONES	RICHARD	WACO	TX	76705
KAESVIHAM	KEVIN	SIOUX FALLS	SD	57110
KALEO	JOHN			
KRONENBERG	ROBERT	DULUTH	GA	30096
LEBO	BRAD	HEMITAGE	TN	37076
LEWANDOWSKI	JOSEPH M.	PALATINE	IL	60074
LOWE	MARTIN	LOUISVILLE	KY	40245
MACK	RICO	ATHENS	GA	30605
MAGEE	DANJUAN	SIGNAL HILL	CA	90755
MARTIN	JASON L	JACKSON	TN	38305
MARTIN JR.	EMERSON F.	RALEIGH	NC	27616
MILTON	HENRY	FRESNO	CA	93706
MOYER	JOHN	LAKE WORTH	FL	33467
MUNOZ	JOSE'	JACKSONVILLE	FL	32210
Nelson III	Leonard	Antelope	CA	95843
NOGA	AL	HONOLULU	HI	96819
OKOLI	RAMON	STUTTGART	AR	72160
OWENS	JAMES	DECATUR	GA	30035
PEACE	TYRONE L.	BERKELEY	CA	94703
PETRY	STAN	MANVEL	TX	77578
PLUMMER	BRUCE	DACULA	GA	30019
POHOPEK	JASON B.	DOVER	NH	3820
POLLARD	WILLIAM R.	LOUISVILLE	KY	40299
PORTER	DAMEON	ARLINGTON	VA	22202
POSTON	CHRISTOPHER	WASHINGTON	DC	20033
PROCTOR	BASIL O.	TAMPA	FL	33614
REYNOLDS	DONALD	WARNER ROBINS	GA	31093
RILEY	SEAN	Desoto	TX	75115
SCHAAF	RICK A.	ONALASKA	WI	54650
SHOWERS	SHEA	TAMPA	FL	33647
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SMITH	BRIAN	HOBOKEN	NJ	7030
SNYDER	CHRISTOPHER	INDIANAPOLIS	IN	46260
STIEBEL	JIM	BELLEVILLE	IL	62223
STURGIS	OSCAR	JONESBORO	GA	30236
VALVO	MARK D.	WATERVLIET	NY	12189
WASHINGTON	SHAWN D.	HOUSTON	TX	77070
WHITE	CEDRIC	LANCASTER	CA	93536
Willis	Larry Ray	Calgary, Alberta	CANADA	T2X3T4
WOODS	LAMONT	CAMAS	WA	98607
YOUNG	TONY A.	DES MOINES	IA	50312
ZINSER	JOHN	NEW FAIRFIELD	CT	6812





#### ARENA PLAYERS INC.



AFLPU has successfully established Arena Players, Inc. (API). Arena Players Inc is a for profit entity established to capitalize on individual/group; purchasing power, marketing, licensing and brand value as well as other business and educational opportunities for members of the AFLPU. Members have begun to receive their ArenaArmor© branded apparel and the API estore will be available soon to members and the fans. The ArenaArmor© brand was developed internally by member staff and the brand is one of the first retail brands in all professional sports to be developed and owned by professional athlete members. Be on the lookout for more growth and business developments from API coming soon.

### ARENA BOWL XXVII



Congratulations to the Cleveland Gladiators and Arizona Rattlers for making it to Arena Bowl XXVII.



