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ATTENTION FORMER NFL PLAYERS

For many years, the National Football League ignored, and even actively withheld medical proof that NFL players were subjecting themselves to long term health problems caused by both concussions, sub-concussive events and ordinary repetitive contact. Players were led to believe that football helmets provided a level of protection that even helmet manufacturers acknowledged they did not. Several independent medical studies published by renowned research universities showed that NFL players are at great risk of developing severe neurological impairments.

Rather than take action, the league criticized the studies and ignored their lessons. Despite mounting medical evidence of a significant risk, the league failed to provide information to players or their union, failed to adopt recommended post-concussion safety protocols and refused to alter rules of play. Instead, the NFL encouraged and promoted the most dangerous contact despite medical evidence that multiple concussions and even non-concussive trauma to the brain frequently led to long term effects like headaches, depression, memory loss, mental illness, cognitive and motor impairments, dementia and other significant problems.

By failing to inform players of the long-term health risks they faced, the NFL encouraged players to conceal concussions and play through head injuries, and failed to implement and enforce more stringent criteria for return to play after a concussive event. Improved strength and conditioning not only raised the level of play, but also increased exposure to damaging head trauma.

These and other issues are at the heart of the lawsuits being brought against the league on behalf of former players and their families. The lawsuits seek damages, but more importantly seek medical monitoring, health care and preventive programs to address the problem. Kreindler & Kreindler attorneys Jim Kreindler, Noah Kushlefsky, Anthony Tarricone and Stuart Fraenkel are representing former NFL players, and are investigating and litigating their claims and advocating their rights to ensure that they and their families are adequately compensated and cared for.

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Our program involves two steps:

First – we have you tested for evidence of dementia or loss of cognitive functioning. This test is performed by an expert neuropsychologist at no up-front cost to you (the cost is covered as an expense of the litigation). It is private – the results are released only to us and to you, unless and until the results are needed for litigation. We use the test results to determine how to manage your claim.

Second – we properly classify and prosecute your claim. If you have evidence of dementia or loss of cognitive functioning (either from testing or other medical evidence), we file a lawsuit for damages on your behalf. If you have no evidence of a present injury, we file a claim as part of a Class Action. The Class Action seeks medical monitoring, and treatment and compensation if you develop injuries in the future.

ACTING NOW IS CRITICAL – The deadline for filing suit may be as early as July 1, 2012. We want to make sure we test our clients to file their proper claim in time.

If you are a former NFL player, or if you know a former NFL player, contact the law offices of Kreindler & Kreindler LLP today to discuss your case and your rights. Rules concerning limitations on claims require that action be taken immediately to preserve your rights.

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