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Supreme Court rejects NFL player appeals

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Supreme Court finally ended the NFL's eight-year-long labor troubles on Monday by rejecting the appeals of 18 players, including Cris Dishman of the Houston Oilers, who said they were wrongly forced to join the \$200 million settlement of the antitrust lawsuit.

"It's nice to finally get it over with," said Gene Upshaw, the president of the NFL Players Association, which sided with the league in opposing the suit. "We thought we were right when we walked out of the courtroom with the settlement and today we finally ended it."

The suit, tried in Minneapolis, was an outgrowth of the 1987 strike by players and led to a labor agreement finally reached in 1993. It included that \$200 million settlement.

However, the 18 players, in two different suits, challenged the settlement and, after being turned down by the 8th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals, took the case to the Supreme Court.

The court, however, declined without comment to hear the appeal of the players, some still active. Had they taken it, they would have brought a new element of uncertainty to the league.

"When you look at our situation, we've got to learn from what's going on in other sports," Upshaw said.

The league agreed. "We're pleased that the matter is resolved and the focus of attention will continue to be on the football field," NFL spokesman Greg Aiello said.

The suits challenged the way the money in the \$200 million settlement was distributed as well as free agency restrictions, the college draft and pre-season pay rules. The lawsuits sought injunctive relief — an order requiring the NFL to change its rules — and monetary damages.

One of the suits was filed as a class action, purportedly in behalf of past, present and future NFL players.

Eighteen players then carried the case to the Supreme Court in two appeals.

One was filed in behalf of six — Dishman; his former Houston teammate, Green Bay defensive end Sean Jones; Leslie O'Neal; William Mathews and Van Waiters.

The other was filed in behalf of Mark Dusbabek, Carl Lee, former University of Houston defensive back Audray McMillian of the Minnesota Vikings, Felix Wright, Cody Risien, Mark Harper and Sammy Martin.

Kotsay named Player of the Year

HOUSTON (AP) — Mark Kotsay, a sophomore who led Cal State-Fullerton to the 1995 NCAA baseball championship, on Monday night received the R.E. "Bob" Smith Award, symbolic of the college baseball player of the year.

Kotsay set career College World Series records this season with his two grand slams and .529 batting average (15 for 29).

In the championship game, in which Cal St.-Fullerton beat Southern California 11-5, Kotsay hit two home runs, driving in five runs, and pitched the final two innings. When not on the mound, he was his team's centerfielder.

The award was presented at the annual Smith Award dinner at the Hyatt Regency in Houston. Kotsay edged fellow finalists Todd Helton, a first base-m-pitcher from Tennessee.

The rest of those cheese groups from his era have since accepted that their time has come and gone. But not Michael. He's like a disease that won't go away and irritates you more as time goes on.

The man, the myth, the tabloid king has since deteriorated into a bonafide freak. Not to be completely blunt, but if the shoe (or glove) fits, wear it. Michael Jackson's bizarre life has so completely overshadowed his career enough that no one really pays attention to his music anymore, which is sad. Or is it? Sure, I've already admitted to owning

Big 12 presidents to discuss revenue, playoff

The new conference is expected to raise as much as \$40 million per year.

AUSTIN (AP) — Big 12 presidents are set to meet here today to decide a variety of transition issues, the most significant being a revenue-sharing plan that includes a football playoff.

The presidents, who have final approval on all major issues, will consider proposals approved last month by the league's athletic directors and faculty representatives.

Besides the revenue-sharing plan, other topics to be discussed include academic eligibility requirements and where the new league will locate its offices.

The Big 12, comprised of the Big Eight plus Southwest Conference holdovers Texas, Texas A&M, Texas Tech and Baylor, plans to begin competition in August 1996.

However, before play begins, the issue of money must be

tackled by the council. The revenue-sharing proposal would let football powers to keep their gate receipts and reward schools for first-year NCAA basketball tournament appearances.

As much as \$40 million in gross revenue is anticipated for the conference annually, including about \$6 million from a football playoff between the Big 12 North and South division champions.

Preliminary reports by Steve Hatchell, who becomes commissioner of the league July 1, show a playoff could generate \$500,000 to \$550,000 per school.

Athletic directors and league presidents like those numbers. But all 12 football coaches oppose a playoff and believe it could knock a team out of a major bowl or a national championship game. They contend that as much or more money could be raised getting a second team into the major bowls each year.

On academic eligibility, presidents must decide whether the conference shall accept partial qualifiers.

Magic cannot explain Finals collapse versus Rockets

The defending champs have beaten Orlando three straight times.

HOUSTON (AP) — Until the NBA Finals, the exuberant Orlando Magic stared pressure in the face and laughed. They were young and in the NBA playoffs and having a wonderful time.

The gaping grin and hulking presence of Shaquille O'Neal was everywhere. Nick Anderson and Anfernee Hardaway were slinging in big shots and saying "why not now?"

Now they're one game from elimination and asking themselves "what happened?" Suddenly, they're the guys who can't shoot straight.

"It's very hard on us and frustrating because you know you're better than you've played so far," Hardaway said. "You want to go out and win a game and show that you deserve to be here."

"It's almost like all the games that we've won to get here are going down the drain if we don't come back and win."

The Magic is down to its final chance to get back in the series on Wednesday night in The Summit, and the tone in O'Neal's voice prior to Monday's practice didn't carry much confidence.

"They've just been playing big and shooting the ball well," O'Neal said, his voice low and barely audible. "I think we'll come out fired up."

The Magic has been marketed as the team of the future, expected to become a fixture in the NBA Finals.

John Gabriel, Magic vice president of basketball operations, wants the Magic to understand it may not be that easy.

"There are no guarantees on making it to the NBA Finals," he said. "We have to treat it as a special event. Do they understand? I don't know. It's something we've tried to make them understand, how special it is."

Blame it on their youth or a Rockets team that has improved throughout the playoffs. It doesn't matter to the Magic. They're still down 3-0 and not playing well and can't figure out why.

"The shots I've been missing in the Finals, I've been making all season," Anderson said. "I

have to ask myself, 'why now?' To think of all the work I did to get to this level. I was doing well. Now nothing is working."

The Magic hasn't shown the flash of earlier playoff series. Although they eventually lost, the Magic coolly duelled Indiana over an incredible 131-second span in which the lead changed four times before Reggie Miller hit a basket at the buzzer for a 94-93 victory in Game 4 of the Eastern Conference finals.

When the Eastern Conference series was on the line in Game 7, the Magic refused to show their inexperience and bombed the Pacers 105-81, advancing to the NBA Finals for the first time.

But now their 3-point shooting is down. Anderson shot 41.5 percent of his 3-pointers in the regular season but only 33.3 percent in three games against the Rockets.

Dennis Scott was the Magic's best 3-point shooter in the regular season, hitting 42.9 percent but he's managed only a 21.6 average against the Rockets.

If the Magic's shooting doesn't return in Game 4, coach Brian Hill may consider matching Houston's small lineup with Anthony Bowie and Donald Royal to get more penetration.

But Hill doesn't know how to draw it up on the chalkboard other than the way the game unfolded.

"Penetration is something we'd like more of but when we broke down the tapes we got some great looks at the basket last night," Hill said. "I told the team, 'we got all the shots we wanted, exactly what we were looking for.'"

"We just have to hope that when they don't go down there you have to get some type of penetration."

"We may have to see more of Bowie and Royal to get us out and running and slashing to basket if we're ineffective shooting the ball."

Hill is looking for anything to light a spark in the Magic offense. Running and slashing could be the answer.

"It helps everybody," Hill said. "It gets Penny aggressive and pushing the ball and looking for opportunities to get to the basket in transition."

It gets Nick out on the wings and Anthony Bowie as a runner on the wings.

JACKSON: Who elected him king?

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then again it came out when I was in the third grade. I feel as though I have an excuse. Everyone liked Jackson back then. He was right up there with Debbie Gibson and the Jets. Those were his glory days. He may have very well been on his way to becoming the "king of pop," but that was a long time ago.

Thriller, but it's not some kind of masterpiece. So why is Jackson designated as the leader of our generation? I guess it's because he pretty much invented pop music. I think he should be hurt for such actions, seeing as how pop music is basically garbage, but that's just me.

I really want to know — are there really die-hard Jackson fans out there who think he is the greatest musician of the last 20 years? It would make me feel better if there are. Then I'd know MTV's plan to make Jackson's HISTORY video a central part of its summer schedule appealed to someone. So far, I've

only seen people shiver, laugh or cry at the thought of a summer full of the (hopefully) soon-to-be-ousted "king of pop."



Jackson