IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF MINNESOTA

Carl Eller, Priest Holmes, Obafemi Ayanbadejo, and Ryan Collins, individually, and on behalf of all others similarly situated,

Civil Action No: 0:11-cv-00748-RHK-JSM

Plaintiffs,

v.

National Football League, Arizona Cardinals, Inc., Atlanta Falcons Football Club LLC, Baltimore Ravens Limited Partnership, Buffalo Bills, Inc., Panthers Football LLC, Chicago Bears Football Club, Inc., Cincinnati Bengals, Inc., Cleveland Browns LLC, Dallas Cowboys Football Club, Ltd., Denver Broncos Football Club, Detroit Lions, Inc., Green Bay Packers, Inc., Houston NFL Holdings LP, Indianapolis Colts, Inc., Jacksonville Jaguars Ltd., Kansas City Chiefs Football Club, Inc., Miami Dolphins, Ltd., Minnesota Vikings Football Club LLC, New England Patriots, LP, New Orleans Louisiana Saints, LLC, New York Football Giants, Inc., New York Jets Football Club, Inc., Oakland Raiders LP, Philadelphia Eagles Football Club, Inc., Pittsburgh Steelers Sports, Inc., San Diego Chargers Football Co., San Francisco Forty Niners Ltd., Football Northwest LLC, The Rams Football Co. LLC, Buccaneers Limited Partnership, Tennessee Football, Inc., Washington Football Inc.

Defendants.

MEMORANDUM IN SUPPORT
OF PLAINTIFFS' MOTION TO
EXPEDITE BRIEFING
SCHEDULE AND HEARING

Plaintiffs Carl Eller, Priest Holmes, Obafemi Ayanbadejo, and Ryan Collins

("Plaintiffs") respectfully submit this memorandum in support of their Motion to

Expedite the Briefing Schedule and Hearing of their Motions for Preliminary Injunction

and Motion to Consolidate. This Court should expedite the briefing schedule and hearing

on Plaintiffs' Motions so that Plaintiffs' Motions may be heard at the same time as the

Motion for Temporary Injunction in the related case of Brady v. NFL, No. 0:11-cv-

00639-SRN-JJG (D. Minn.) ("Brady"), due to be heard on April 6, 2011. "Order" (March

14, 2011) (*Brady* Dkt. No. 33).

The *Eller* and *Brady* actions arise from the same body of facts and involve the

same defendants - National Football League ("NFL" or "league"), and its member teams.

The Motions should be heard at the same time to promote efficiency and judicial

economy and to avoid the potential for inconsistent results.

For the foregoing reasons, Plaintiffs respectfully request that the Court grant their

Motion to Expedite the Briefing Schedule and the Hearing on their Motion for a

Preliminary Injunction and Motion to Consolidate so that Plaintiffs' Motions may be

heard at the April 6, 2011 hearing of the related case of Brady v. NFL, No. 0:11-cv-

00639-SRN-JJG (D. Minn.).

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Respectfully Submitted,

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