

TO: Paul
via : Chris Briand
RE: Darryl Stingley

Attorney Jack Sands, who says he spoke with you in January at the Boston Business Club meeting, called this morning to alert you to the latest developments on the Darryl Stingley case. (See Herald article telecopied earlier today)

Rozelle has decided not to take any action against Jack Tatum whose tackle paralyzed Stingley.

Sands says in your conversation with him earlier this year you said you were very interested in the case and might want to initiate hearings on violence in sports. Now Sands and Stingley want to meet with you to discuss the situation and determine your views about possible hearings or other courses of action. At this point there is no active court case; Sands says the case was already settled out of court. There is, however, a strong desire to make sure that Tatum is not allowed to continue playing professional football.

Sands says Rozelle called his office this morning to ask him to meet with him to explain the decision. Sands says this is the first time Rozelle has responded to Sands who has written him several letters about Tatum and Stingley. Sands will not see Rozelle until he has spoken with you.

Sands and Stingley could meet with you in D.C. sometime Wednesday or Thursday of next week (week of July 28th). Chris Briand has been notified of the request. However, no commitment has been made about your potential involvement in the issue.

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