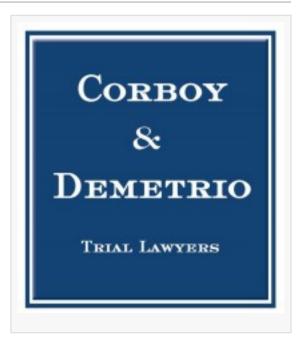


NFL Legend Paul Hornung Files Lawsuit Against Helmet Maker Riddell

Corboy & Demetrio and Brad Sohn law firms have filed a concussion lawsuit on behalf of Paul Hornung against Riddell.

CHICAGO, USA, July 7, 2016 /EINPresswire.com/ -- The Chicago law firm of <u>Corboy & Demetrio</u> and the Brad Sohn Florida Law Firm have filed a lawsuit on behalf of NFL Hall of Famer and Heisman Trophy Winner Paul Hornung against helmet maker Riddell, claiming the plastic helmet he was provided failed to protect his brain and that Riddell failed to warn him of the helmets' risks.

Corboy & Demetrio represents numerous former professional athletes in cases stemming from concussions suffered during their careers, including the Estates of Chicago Bear Dave Duerson, Chicago Blackhawk Steve Montador and NHL Enforcer Derek Boogaard. Hornung's negligence lawsuit, filed in Cook County Circuit Court,



claims the helmet provided "no protection for Paul Hornung's brain, yet players, including Paul Hornung, were led to believe that the innovative helmets would do so."

Hornung suffered numerous concussions during his professional career and has been diagnosed with Dementia, a neurodegenerative disease linked to repetitive <u>head trauma</u>. "Players like Paul Hornung played with a false sense of security. Their helmets did nothing to prevent the types of brain injuries that lead to long-term brain damage. But, Riddell never warned these guys about the real risk of permanent cognitive and mental health issues," said Thomas A. Demetrio, founder of Corboy & Demetrio.

Hornung won the Heisman Trophy in 1956, while playing in a leather helmet for the University of Notre Dame. In the NFL, he played running back for Green Bay Packers from 1957 to 1966, leading the league in scoring for three straight seasons and winning four NFL titles and the first Super Bowl, all while wearing a plastic Riddell helmet. "Studies dating back to the 19th century linked head trauma to permanent brain damage, but Riddell failed to communicate the danger to Mr. Hornung," said William T. Gibbs of Corboy & Demetrio, who is also representing Hornung and his wife Angela. "As Calvin Johnson told ESPN today, concussions happen in the NFL as frequently as every third play. Clearly, the helmets that Riddell provides do little to protect NFL players from this risk," Gibbs added. Case information: Paul Hornung and Angela Hornung v. Riddell Sports Group, Inc.

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