

## ARTICLE IV

### NO STRIKE/NO LOCKOUT/NO SUIT

**Section 1. No Strike/Lockout:** Except as otherwise provided in Article V (Union Security), Section 4, neither the AFLPA nor any of its members will engage in any strike, work stoppage, or other concerted action interfering with the operations of the Arena Football League or any Team for the duration of this Agreement, and no Teams, either individually or in concert with other Teams, will engage in any lockout for the duration of this Agreement. Any claim by the AFL that the AFLPA has violated this Section 1 will not be subject to the grievance procedure or the arbitration provisions of this Agreement, and the AFL will have the right to submit such claim directly to the courts.

**Section 2. No Suit:** The AFLPA agrees that neither it nor any of its members, nor agents acting on its behalf, nor any member of its bargaining unit, will sue, or support financially or administratively, or voluntarily provide testimony or affidavit in, any suit against the AFL or any Team with respect to any claim challenging any conduct permitted by this Agreement, the Settlement Agreement, or any term of this Agreement or the Settlement Agreement; provided, however, that nothing contained in this Section 2 will prevent the AFLPA or any player from asserting that any Team, acting individually or in concert with other Teams or the AFL, has (1) breached the terms of this Agreement or the AFL Player Contract, and from processing such asserted breach as a non-injury grievance under Article IX; or (2) breached the terms of the Settlement Agreement, and from asserting such a claim before the System Arbitrator, or the Federal District Court, as provided for in the Settlement Agreement. In addition, neither the AFLPA nor any of its members, agents acting on its behalf, nor any members of its bargaining unit will sue, or support financially or administratively, any suit against the AFL or any Team challenging the AFL Rules; provided, however, that nothing herein shall prevent the AFLPA, its members, agents or bargaining unit members from bringing any proceeding to assert any rights they may have under the federal labor laws or under this Agreement or the Settlement Agreement.

**Section 3. Releases:** The releases and covenants not to sue contained in Article XXI of the Settlement Agreement and in the AFL Player Contract are hereby incorporated by reference.