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## McCarthyism of the Left

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Last week the Commissioner of the National Football League Roger Goodell announced that *divisive voices* were not welcome in the NFL—a comment that was understood to be a blackball of Rush Limbaugh whose participation in an ownership bid for the St. Louis Rams had been leaked and then attacked by Jesse Jackson and Al Sharpton.

Limbaugh's participation was dropped and the NFL tried quickly to move on. Conservatives and all fair minded people have refused to let the matter drop—and have continued to express outrage at what was simply McCarthyism of the left against the noted conservative commentator.

A flag needs to be thrown on the NFL and its leader, and an apology given to Limbaugh.

The league simply accepted the slanderous charges made against Limbaugh and the commissioner—whose job it is to be fair above all other values—let himself join the mob.

The NFL is once again an example of how *not* to run a sports league, but this time it is the executives and the not the players who have behaved shamefully.

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