



JERRY SAPERSTEIN

President and Chief Executive Officer

Jerry Saperstein, president and chief executive officer of the Super Soccer League, follows a family tradition in providing successful sports promotions on an international scale.

Although only 37 years old, Saperstein is president of Major League Sports, Inc. and has been promoting sports for more than 18 years. His career has included more than 2,000 presentations in 68 nations.

Saperstein began his career working with his father, the legendary Abe Saperstein who founded the Harlem Globetrotters.

Jerry worked at every level of the Globetrotter organization, starting with a farm team in Bismark, N.D. He advanced to assuming complete responsibility for the many Globetrotter appearances around the world.

Saperstein was president of the World Team Tennis franchise in New York City. He sold his interest in the Sets, now called the Appels.

Saperstein is the owner of the San Francisco Shamrocks in the Pacific Hockey League.

Saperstein and other investors bought the San Diego franchise in the World Hockey Association last June. However, the deal was abrogated when the WHA merger discussions with the National Hockey League did not include the San Diego franchise.



DENNIS MURPHY

Founder

Dennis Murphy, a 51-year-old resident of Los Angeles, has had a prolific career in sports and business since graduating from the University of Southern California.

Among his ventures were founding the American Basketball Association, World Team Tennis, the World Hockey Association, the Pacific Hockey League and the Russian-United States Team Tennis Series. He was general manager of the Miami Floridians pro basketball team.

Murphy also was state campaign chairman for former California Gov. Pat Brown and mayor of Buena Park, a California city of some 87,000 residents.

He and his wife, Elaine, have been married for 27 years and have a son and two daughters.



RICHARD C. RAGONE

Commissioner

Richard C. Ragone, holds a Bachelor's Degree in Journalism and a Master's Degree in Business Administration from the University of Kentucky. Ragone, who played collegiate football at Kentucky, has served in various capacities in the field of Broadcast Journalism before joining the NASL in 1972. Ragone served as the first Director of Marketing and Public Relations for the Miami Toros Soccer Club. He also served as Business Manager before moving on to take over the General Manager's responsibilities for the expansion franchise of the Vancouver Whitecaps Soccer Club. After producing a successful first year with an average attendance of over 10,000 per game, Ragone moved to join the Denver Dynamos Soccer Club in the NASL. Ragone, a native of South Florida, has served on the General Manager's committee of the NASL and was appointed to the Board of Directors of NASL Marketing, Inc. Ragone was also on the NASL Indoor Soccer Committee.



NORMAN SUTHERLAND

Director of Player Personnel

Norman Sutherland, 34, born and educated in Edinburgh, Scotland, came to the United States in 1961 as a member of the British Embassy Staff in Washington, D. C., and quickly became involved in American Soccer. In 1963 Sutherland formed the Washington Darts and was also appointed Vice President of the Maryland and Washington, D.C. Soccer Associations. In 1966 Sutherland led the Washington Darts as Manager/Coach to a Washington, D.C. and Maryland Championship, and his club was ranked as the third leading amateur club in the United States. In 1967 Sutherland, as President of the Washington Darts, entered the American Soccer League and acted as the club's General Manager and Coach leading it to a second place finish in the 30 year old Eastern Professional League. In 1968 and 1969 the Washington Darts became twice American Soccer League champions, and Sutherland was twice named General Manager of the Year. It was during this period that Sutherland served on the Selection Committee, Promotion Committee and Fund Raising Committee of the United States Soccer/Football Association (USSFA). In 1970 the Washington Darts and Sutherland joined the North American Soccer League (NASL) where the club reached the NASL finals. The Washington Darts, also under Sutherland's leadership as Vice President and General Manager, won the NASL International Cup, an honor given for the club with the best record against foreign opponents. In 1971 Sutherland moved along with the Darts to Miami, Florida in a NASL change of franchise. In 1972 the Darts had become the Miami Toros. In 1973 Sutherland moved to Denver, Colorado to become Vice President and General Manager and, later, Coach of the Denver Dynamos of the NASL through March 1975.



FREDRIC WISE

Founder

48-year-old retired industrialist (plastics manufacturing, wife's name Marilyn, two sons, Jim 20, Steven 24.

Born in Hartford, Conn., moved to Greater Miami in 1954, now lives in the Southwest section (12041 S.W. 64th Ave.).

Played soccer while at prep school (Williston Academy, Mass.) where he was on the Jayvee team. Went to Union College in Schenectady, N.Y. which did not have a soccer team but he was instrumental in founding one. Graduated with a degree in electrical engineering. Since retiring he satisfied a long-standing fascination with law by attending the University of Miami Law School where he recently graduated although he does not intend to actively practice.



DR. ELLIOTT GORIN

Founder

Beverly Hills dentist, 37 years old, native Californian,
wife's name Chris, has eight-year-old son.

Has always loved sports but this is his first venture in
organized sports.

Has followed the growth of soccer with keen interest,
especially since his son became active in the sport.

