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September 12, 2002

Mr. Jonathan G. Katz
Secretary
Securities and Exchange Commission
450 Fifth Street, NW
Washington, DC 20549-0609

Re: The Sports Authority, Inc. Sworn Statements

Dear Mr. Katz:

Pursuant to the Order of the Securities and Exchange Commission requiring the filing of sworn statements pursuant to Section 21(a)(1) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (No. 4-460), I enclose a sworn statement from each of Martin E. Hanaka, Principal Executive Officer, and George R. Mihalko, Principal Financial Officer, of The Sports Authority, Inc.

Please acknowledge receipt of this letter and the enclosed statements by date stamping the enclosed copy of this letter and returning it in the enclosed, stamped, self-addressed envelope.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at 954-667-6067.

Very truly yours,



Frank W. Bubb
Senior Vice President,
General Counsel and Secretary

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STATEMENT UNDER OATH OF PRINCIPAL EXECUTIVE OFFICER AND PRINCIPAL FINANCIAL OFFICER REGARDING FACTS AND CIRCUMSTANCES RELATING TO EXCHANGE ACT FILINGS

I, Martin E. Hanaka, state and attest that:


(1) To the best of my knowledge, based upon a review of the covered reports of The Sports Authority, Inc., and, except as corrected or supplemented in a subsequent covered report:

- no covered report contained an untrue statement of a material fact as of the end of the period covered by such report (or in the case of a report on Form 8-K or definitive proxy materials, as of the date on which it was filed); and
- no covered report omitted to state a material fact necessary to make the statements in the covered report, in light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading as of the end of the period covered by such report (or in the case of a report on Form 8-K or definitive proxy materials, as of the date on which it was filed).

(2) I have reviewed the contents of this statement with the Company's audit committee.

(3) In this statement under oath, each of the following, if filed on or before the date of this statement, is a "covered report";

- The Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended February 2, 2002 of The Sports Authority, Inc.
- all reports on Form 10-Q, all reports on Form 8-K and all definitive proxy materials of The Sports Authority, Inc. filed with the Commission subsequent to the filing of the Form 10-K identified above; and
- any amendments to the foregoing.



 Martin E. Hanaka
 Date: 9/12/02

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 12th day of September, 2002.



 Notary Public

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My Commission Expires:

SEPTEMBER 22 2003

