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Mike Fucito To Join MLS Players Union Staff

Bethesda, MD – June 6, 2016 – The Major League Soccer Players Union announced today that it has hired former MLS Player Mike Fucito to serve as its Career Development Manager. Fucito will start at the Players Union on June 15. In this role, Fucito will work to continue to build out the Players Union’s post-career development program and serve as a liaison with the Players Union’s current and former members with regard to their transition to life after their playing careers.

Fucito retired at the end of 2015 after a long and distinguished playing career. An All-New England player in Massachusetts during high school, Fucito went on to be a two time All-American and lead Harvard University to three NCAA tournament berths in his four years at the school, before graduating with a degree in Psychology in 2009. After being selected 46th overall by the Seattle Sounders in the 2009 MLS draft, he played over seventy games for four MLS clubs over the next seven seasons. In addition, Golf Digest recently ranked Fucito as the 16th best golfer among professional athletes.

“Mike Fucito is a great addition for the Players Union,” said Foose. “Helping players with the transition after their playing careers is a priority for us. It will be a tremendous boost to our efforts to have Mike concentrating full-time on continuing to develop our program. He will be a strong asset for players as we continue to build our staff and reach.”

“I am very excited and grateful for the opportunity to join the MLS Players Union in this role,” said Fucito. “The transition for professional athletes is challenging in many regards. I am passionate about doing all I can to help the Players Union provide as many resources as possible to MLS players to help them through this transition. I look forward to working for players in this important role.”

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The Major League Soccer Players Union, headquartered in Bethesda, Maryland, is the exclusive bargaining representative for all Major League Soccer players. For more information about the Players Union, log on to its website at www.mlspayers.org. For more information about this press release, contact Bob Foose at (301) 657-3535 or bfoose@mlspayers.org.