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### **A's Recall LHP Josh Outman; Designate LHP Jerry Blevins for Assignment**

**OAKLAND, Calif.** – The Oakland A's recalled left-handed pitcher Josh Outman from Triple-A Sacramento and designated left-handed pitcher Jerry Blevins for assignment, the club announced today. Blevins remains on the A's 40-man roster.

Outman is scheduled to pitch tonight at Los Angeles in his first Major League start since June 19, 2009. He left that game at San Diego after just 1.2 innings with a strained left elbow and had "Tommy John" surgery June 30 of that season. The 26-year old missed the entire 2010 season as he rehabbed from his surgery and began 2011 at Sacramento. Outman was 4-1 with a 4.78 ERA and .264 opponents batting average in eight games, all starts, with the River Cats. He is tied for fourth in the Pacific Coast League in wins but is also tied for third with 27 walks. The left-hander went 0-1 with an 8.59 ERA and .306 opponents average over his first four starts but was 4-0 with a 2.35 ERA and .232 average over his final four outings.

Blevins was recalled Friday for his second stint with the A's this year and pitched just once over the weekend in San Francisco. He tossed two-thirds of an inning Saturday, allowing one hit and an intentional walk. The left-hander was on the A's Opening Day roster and has a 4.40 ERA in 15 relief appearances overall. Blevins also made three appearances with Sacramento following his option May 11 and had a 15.75 ERA in three relief appearances.

The complete 2011 statistics for Outman and Blevins follow:

<b>OUTMAN</b>	<b>W</b>	<b>L</b>	<b>ERA</b>	<b>G</b>	<b>GS</b>	<b>CG</b>	<b>SHO</b>	<b>SV</b>	<b>IP</b>	<b>H</b>	<b>R</b>	<b>ER</b>	<b>BB</b>	<b>SO</b>
Sacramento (AAA)	4	1	4.78	8	8	0	0	0	37.2	38	24	20	27	30
<b>BLEVINS</b>	<b>W</b>	<b>L</b>	<b>ERA</b>	<b>G</b>	<b>GS</b>	<b>CG</b>	<b>SHO</b>	<b>SV</b>	<b>IP</b>	<b>H</b>	<b>R</b>	<b>ER</b>	<b>BB</b>	<b>SO</b>
OAKLAND	0	0	4.40	15	0	0	0	0	14.1	13	11	7	13	13
Sacramento (AAA)	0	0	15.75	3	0	0	0	0	4.0	7	7	7	1	5

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