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### **A's Agree to Terms with LHP Scott Kazmir on Two-Year Contract**

**OAKLAND, Calif.** – The Oakland A's agreed to terms with left-handed pitcher Scott Kazmir on a two-year contract through the 2015 season, the club announced today. A move to clear a spot on the 40-man roster will be announced later.

Kazmir went 10-9 with a 4.04 ERA in 29 starts with Cleveland last year. He averaged 2.68 walks per nine innings, which was the lowest mark of his career, and added 162 strikeouts in 158.0 innings for a strikeout-to-walk ratio of 3.45, which was the highest figure of his career. Kazmir, who turns 30 in January, allowed a .262 opponents batting average, including .226 against left-handed hitters. The left-hander posted a 5.89 ERA over his first 11 starts before going 7-5 with a 3.06 ERA over his final 18 starts for the AL Wild Card Indians.

Kazmir was originally picked by the New York Mets in the first round of the 2002 draft but was traded to Tampa Bay at the trading deadline in 2004. He made his Major League debut with the Rays that year and went 55-44 with a 3.92 ERA in 145 games, including 144 starts, in six seasons with Tampa Bay from 2004-09. A two-time All-Star in 2006 and 2008, Kazmir was dealt to the Los Angeles Angels late during the 2009 season and went 11-17 with a 5.31 ERA in 35 starts with the Angels from 2009-11. He made just one start with Los Angeles in 2011 before going on the disabled with a lower back strain. After being released June 15 of that year, Kazmir spent the 2012 season with Sugar Land of the independent Atlantic League, where he went 3-6 with a 5.34 ERA in 14 starts. He owns a 76-70 career record and 4.16 ERA in 209 games, 208 starts, in nine seasons in the majors.

The complete 2013 and career statistics for Kazmir follow:

<b>KAZMIR</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>
CLEVELAND	10	9	4.04	29	29	0	0	0	158.0	162	76	71	47	162
Columbus (AAA)	1	0	0.00	1	1	0	0	0	5.0	5	1	0	0	5
<b>CAREER</b>	<b>76</b>	<b>70</b>	<b>4.16</b>	<b>209</b>	<b>208</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1180.0</b>	<b>1130</b>	<b>592</b>	<b>545</b>	<b>520</b>	<b>1155</b>

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