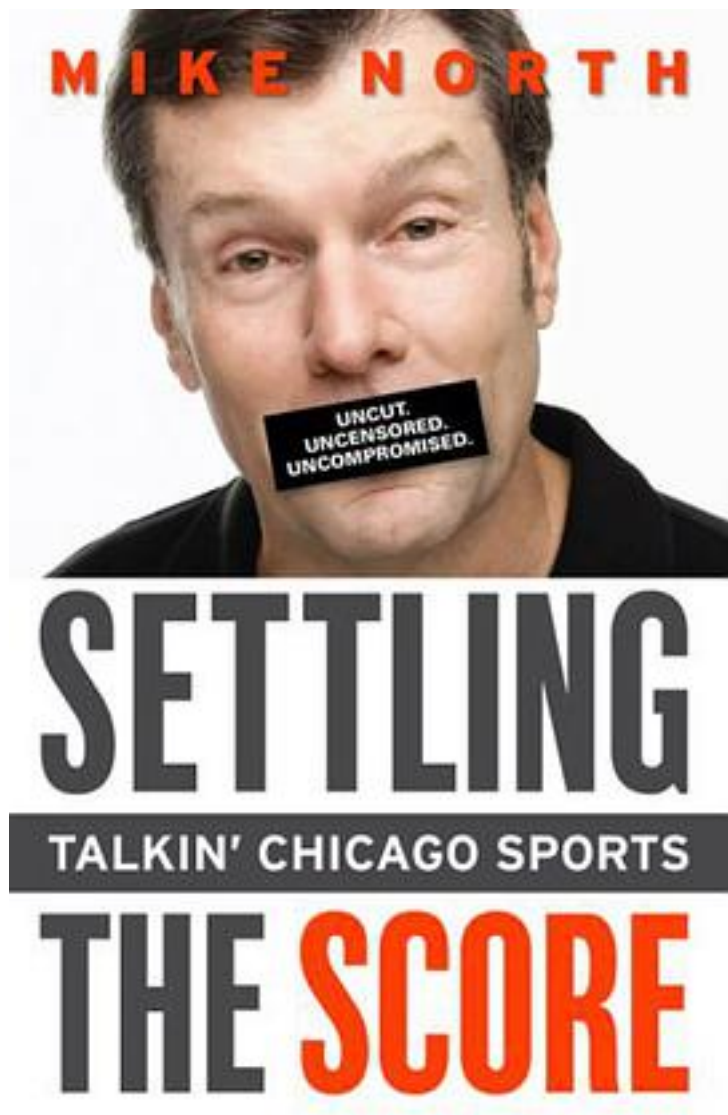


# Settling the Score



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Talking sports in the city of Chicago is often heated and always passionate. If you want a casual conversation about the state of baseball, the suggestion here would be to go to San Diego. Calm, reasoned, and well-modulated tones are not the order of business in discussing Chicago sports. When it comes to talking Chicago sports, Mike North is in a class by himself. He led the sportstalk radio industry out of its formative stages and became the city's most recognized voice. With his in-your-face style there is no reverential treatment of guests, no matter how big their celebrity status, just because they deigned to come on his show. In fact, the opposite is true. Anyone who comes on the air with him better know what they're talking about and better be able to explain the reasons behind their actions, or they will be exposed as frauds, phonies, or incompetents. North's ability to earn a job at WSCR-AM, the city's first all-sports talk station, and then become its leader and go-to guy engendered quite a bit of jealousy. After 16 years at the Score, North stepped down from his perch as the station's morning host. Before he reunites with former "Monsters of the Midday" partner Dan Jiggetts for a daily morning TV show on Comcast SportsNet, he has decided to put some of his thoughts down on paper--or computer--about the Bears, Sox, Cubs, Bulls, Blackhawks, and all things that relate to Chicago sports. Long-time listeners will easily recognize North's direct and refreshing style. Those who are discovering him in print will find that North's combination of passion and opinion make him one of the most interesting reads in the city. Why do the Bears carry the city? What's the basic difference between Sox and Cubs fans? Will the Bulls ever return to glory? Can the Blackhawks recapture their stature as one of the top teams in the NHL? North has all the answers and he does not shortchange the reader when it comes to opinions.

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