Colt's Quarterback Situation

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The NFL combine is in session and the Indianapolis Colts need a quarterback. The Colt's quarterback situation is the talk of the town in horseshoe country. Indianapolis currently has the fourth pick in the NFL draft. The Colts earned the fourth pick after going 4-12-1 in 2022.

Indianapolis has struggled to find a starting quarterback since Andrew Luck retired. General Manager Chris Ballard has acquired Philip Rivers, Carson Wentz, and most recently Matt Ryan. Philip Rivers retired, Carson Wentz was shipped to Washington, and Matt Ryan had an awful season. Indy currently has Sam Ehlinger, Nick Foles, and Matt Ryan on its roster.

Ryan passed for 3,057 yards, threw 14 touchdown passes and 13 interceptions. Ryan is set to <u>make</u> \$19 million this season. Foles started a couple of games and passed for 224 yards, threw zero touchdowns, and 4 interceptions. Ehlinger passed for 573 yards, threw 3 touchdowns, and 3 interceptions.

Chris Ballard's Combine Comments

Since Andrew Luck's departure, Ballard has had to answer quarterback questions at the NFL combine. The Colts are in the position to select a first-round quarterback. Some sports analysts believe the Colts could trade up to number one to take Bryce Young or C.J. Stroud. Ballard said, "To move up. There's got to be a guy worth it."

Ballard and the Colts want to do their homework and thoroughly evaluate the quarterback position. Ballard wants a quarterback who knows how to win. The Colts haven't made the playoffs since the 2020 season. Ballard also wants a quarterback who's accurate and can make plays. Quarterbacks are required to help their teams move the chains and score points.

My Thoughts

It may sound funny, but I think the Colts are in a perfect position. Indianapolis is starting fresh with Shane Steichen and Ballard. Steichen has worked with Justin Herbert and Jalen Hurts, two talented quarterbacks. The Colts have consistently acquired older quarterbacks who haven't gotten them over the hump. For years, I have wanted the Colts to draft and develop a quarterback.

Drafting and developing a quarterback is the best option for the Colts. Indy can groom a young quarterback. Indy's new quarterback can also learn the offense and how to be a professional. We shall see who the Colts decide to draft in April.

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