

# BALTIMORE RAVENS DRAFT GUIDE 2024

Player Profiles for 2024 Draft
Prospects and their fit with the
Baltimore Ravens

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# INTRODUCTION

Dave Ziegler, Tom Telesco, Scott Fitterer. All of them, fired from General Manager jobs this year. All of them, former scouts with well over a decade of experience of player evaluation. Not to mention one of the greatest football minds to have ever graced our game, fired, largely for his inability to draft well after he was given full control over the 53-man roster.

Player evaluation is a Vegas roulette table but with one small adjustment; you can only bet on individual numbers coming up. So, the GMs spin the wheel... rat, tat, tat, tat, tat, tat...tat....tat.....tat.....Terrace Marshall, thanks for playing Scott Fitterer, who's next?

National media members don't have the same kind of pressure on their jobs but they do have a big barrier that makes it difficult to be consistently right on a player in terms of their evaluation and projection to the league. They cannot do this with one team in mind, they have to make a judgment based on the player without being able to understand their fit with a team.

The best analysts will tell you what circumstances will allow the player to thrive, but many don't take it into account, it can leave fans of teams believing in players far more than their teams would. In other words, when your team is on the clock on Draft night and the graphic shows you Mel Kiper's best players available, they are almost certainly not your team's best players available.

A brilliant example of this in this year's Draft, is Keon Coleman. He's a polarizing prospect, especially amongst Ravens fans, some love him, some hate him. He's likely polarizing with fans because he's a very idiosyncratic version of a Wide Receiver archetype – the contested catch phenom, who doesn't test well and, for his critics, doesn't separate.

He's also likely to be polarizing amongst the league's decision-makers, but this isn't because of a wild difference in opinion on his talent. It's because GMs and player personnel executives and scouts, are evaluating players with their team in mind.

I love Coleman as a player, his ability to separate requires a nuanced understanding of the position – it's predicated on his technique and his mental processing and not his athletic ability which is often easier to see on film. He also separates well underneath, in short spaces.

I don't love Coleman for the Ravens. There was much said about Kurt Warner's criticism of the Ravens offense and Lamar Jackson for not being "on schedule" enough. I don't agree with Warner's feeling that Jackson must improve in this area to truly unlock his highest potential. I don't believe Quarterbacks, especially with Jackson's talent, require this infinity stone to be inevitable. They do need weapons around them that fit with their style though.

Coleman is an "on schedule" receiver, capable of becoming a dangerous weapon for a team that features an offense and a Quarterback that can hit him with timing at the top of his routes. This is Joe Burrow and the Bengals, not Lamar Jackson and the Rayens.

This is where I aim to come in, to the best of my ability. To give you a full evaluation on a player but also a paragraph or two starting a discussion on how that player might fit with the Ravens, more on my credentials and why you should listen to me, a little later.



Evaluating for the Ravens has some particular challenges doing so from outside the building given the flux in the coaching staff this off-season and the potential changes to scheme and what they prioritize in talent identification.

Todd Monken has improved the balance of the Ravens offense but has also demonstrated that his change to the Ravens offense will be more evolution than revolution. Specifically in the run game, Monken kept a lot of the Greg-Roman-approach earlier in the season, which led to the Ravens overall average still skewing more towards Gap runs than Zone, and still running Gap runs at a top 5 rate in the league.

However, the number of Zone runs gradually increased as the season went on, and some of the more explosive runs that the Ravens saw from Keaton Mitchell down the stretch. were as a result of Zone blocking up front. (Credit to Coach Evans @CoachEvans9 on X for pointing this out to me) They've also retained the two starting Offensive Linemen who are best suited to running Zone going forward.

Offensive Linemen that fit well with an attack that focuses on Gap runs are a particular type – normally much bigger maulers who must excel on the types of run block that are most frequently featured in Gap blocking – for instance Down and Drive blocks. Offensive Linemen that work best in a heavier Zone-based offense normally need to be nimbler and more athletic, working well in space and on Reach blocks.

On Defense, the multitude of coaches that have left the building, of course starting with Mike Macdonald, but also with Anthony Weaver moving on, who we know set the defensive front, could have a significant impact on scheme. It is however, fair to assume that there will be little impact on the scheme given how wildly successful the Ravens have been under Macdonald.

The personnel that the Ravens are invested in (Madubuike, Humphrey, Williams, Smith), or will at some point in the future be invested in (Hamilton), dictate to an extent how Zach Orr will run his defense. We can assume safely that the Ravens will continue to look for versatile weapons, prioritizing intelligence, toughness and explosive athleticism for their draft picks on defense.

With all of this in mind, and the educated guesses we can infer from Eric DeCosta's Draft history, we can start to paint a picture of the type of prospect the Ravens like. That's why we can discuss what players might fit best with the Ravens and my reports intend to start that conversation in the gold box on each report.

I've been evaluating players for over a decade now with the Ravens in mind. 3 years ago, I studied at the Scouting Academy and I have my fair share of fired-GM misses. There have also been times during this period, but especially in my last Guide, when I very closely predicted the type and quality of player a prospect would become – see my report on Kyle Hamilton from the previous report for confirmation of this.

This will be the second report I've published in three years. Last year, I spent time refining my grading process to ensure a more scientific approach to my positional rankings. This year I'm including the full grading process I went through so you can see how I rate players in different traits. More on the grading process below.

Finally, I wanted to place on record my thanks to some people who have made contributions both directly and indirectly to the Guide being produced. Firstly, my wife Emma, who not only has allowed me the time to write this Guide while we raise our 10-month-old daughter, but who has more importantly contributed directly to the grading process.



Emma is a HR/Personnel professional with expertise in talent identification and management. She also loves football and player evaluation herself, so designed the grading process that I am using in the report this year with the specific focus on performance *and* potential, so that we can better understand prospects that will be drafted higher due to a higher ceiling.

I'd also like to thank Michael Crawford, Chris Aguleira, Cole Jackson and Carey Stevenson. If you like to evaluate players for the Draft and you don't have a likeminded group of others who can challenge you with their differing opinions of prospects and reassure you with their similar view of players, then you're doing this wrong. Anybody who's doing this, even as an amateur, should find a way to avoid being stuck in their own echo chamber. MC, Chris, Cole and Carey are my sounding board and I thank them for that.

I hope the Guide lives up to your expectations and that it acts as a companion to you on Draft night, come April 25th.

## GRADING

My evaluation process has evolved many times over the years, but my grading process remained rudimentary. I wasn't grading individual traits and as I didn't study players at each position in order, I found it hard to ensure my rating actually reflected the overall quality of the player. I cross-checked positions at the end of my process, but it often confused things further.

Since studying at The Scouting Academy, I've wanted to re-make my grading process around the factors that they ask students to identify and grade (Credit to Dan Hatman, Director of The Scouting Academy for letting me use these publicly). In addition to using these factors this year, as mentioned already, my wife Emma created a system where I was able to grade using a 1-6 scale. (Even numbers are essential to a grading make sure you don't simply pick the middle, average number when you aren't sure on a trait).

The grading process also allows for evaluation of both performance and potential. Some factors like athletic ability, mental processing, and competitive toughness, where past behavior is a good indicator of future performance, are given one grade based on how the prospect performs now. Other factors that change depending on what position is being evaluated, and are about how prospects play their position, get two grades. One based on how they're performing now, one based on how they could perform in the future with development; potential.

There are a lot of rankings in the national media that fail to take account of, or indeed overstate, what a player could be in the future if they reach their ceiling. I'm also haunted by the ghost of, most recently, Treylon Burks, and many others where I have over-rated the potential of what a prospect could be.

The potential grade is an attempt to provide full context on these players and is also intended to rein me in from making wild projections on what a guy could be.

I've assessed their potential based on the headroom they have to achieve a higher ceiling, for instance, if a WR has outstanding athletic ability, but they also have great technique and great play speed, then they likely would receive a potential score that is equal to their performance score.



Their potential score is also based on some of the factors that play into the overall evaluation like athletic ability, mental processing or play speed, that might allow a player to reach a higher ceiling. What the grading does not do, is tell you how likely that player is to reach that ceiling. For this, you need to understand their growth mindset. It's something the Ravens put a lot of stock into, and you can see some of this on film, charting the development of their game. But I don't have enough game film to be able to accurately see this, so I haven't graded it.

The factors that I have graded for each position can be found in the tables at the beginning of each position group chapter. The grades that have been given can be understood as follows:

Inadequate / Ineffective Performer (Score = 1)	Developing Performer (Score = 2)
Basic skills demonstrated or mostly beaten against consistent performers with significant-levels of guidance and coaching required. A novice who needs significant development.	Demonstrating developing skills and performance, but with high-levels of coaching required. Competes against competent performers, but loses more often than wins.
Accelerating Performer (Score = 4)	Competent Performer (Score = 3)
Maintains regular high- standards of performance against most levels of competition and has a deep understanding of position. Shows bursts of performance against excelling competition.	Standard levels of performance, with developing technique and skill in other areas. Consistently wins against inadequate, ineffective or developing performers. Still needs refinement to compete against excelling performers, but will compete against accelerating performers.
Excelling Performer (Score = 5)	All Star Performer (Score = 6)
Performs intuitively, creative, innovative and spontaneous without compromising standards or quality. Frequently beats most levels of competition.	Constantly demonstrates exceptional performance, original and unique player. Effortless standards and pushing boundaries. Consistently beats all levels of competition

The grading is a work in progress, and we will continue to iterate it year-on-year. This first pass at it has given some funky results based on how I felt I saw players. It also doesn't allow for comparison across position groups – a 5.08 grade at CB is not necessarily equivalent to the same grade at OL. But it is a start.



#### POSITIONS NOT IN THE GUIDE

#### QUARTERBACK

This is not the Guide for you if you're looking at Quarterbacks in the 2024 NFL Draft. The Ravens have one of the best in the league in Lamar Jackson, and he proved last year that we have not yet seen the ceiling of his game as a passer. Thankfully, the Ravens have taken the training wheels off, probably two years too late, but I believe he will continue to develop as a passer in this offense and will carry the Ravens more and more, as he gets deeper into his contract into the more expensive years against the cap. I think it's unlikely they take a backup option in this Draft, the top 6 guys will require far too much Draft capital to acquire and there are no other options in the archetype of player they look for at the position that are draft-able.

#### RUNNING BACK

Unlike Quarterback, I feel certain the Ravens will draft a Running Back this year, but after the signing of Derrick Henry and the emergence of Keaton Mitchell (albeit likely with a redshirt year next year), I would be surprised if its one of the handful of Backs that will be selected on Day 2. Of these Jonathan Brooks is easily my highest rated guy, he tore his ACL last season and will likely be on a similar timeline to Mitchell for return, so could form a future backfield with him in a post-Derrick-Henry-world. I think it's more likely though that they target a RB on Day 3 as there are a few talented guys that could contribute next season. My favorites to play in a complementary role to Henry would be Kimani Vidal, Ray Davis and Dylan Laube.

#### LINEBACKER

Of course, there is every chance that a Linebacker falls to the Ravens on Day 2 and they don't hesitate in snapping up a falling talent as they did with Trenton Simpson a year ago. But, they do have Trenton Simpson, who figures to play a more prominent role next year, next to Roquan Smith, after Patrick Queen's departure. And so it feels like a premium pick would not be spent on an off-ball Linebacker. Payton Wilson and Junior Colson are excellent talents at the position but unlikely to be Ravens. One LB who could have his name called by the Ravens is Edgerrin Cooper but if that is the case, I think it would be for him to play in a more versatile and valuable role, where he rushes the passer and he's developed over time into a defensive weapon.



# WIDE RECEIVERS

The annual Ravens fan obsession with finding another weapon for Lamar Jackson is back for another year. Offensive Line is clearly a far greater need, but the Ravens will still look at the WR pool and likely will dive into the waters of this Draft class, which is historically strong at the position.

The Steelers, when they went on a run of hitting on WRs, had their fair share of misses and simply took more swings in the top 75 picks of the Draft, year on year. Eric DeCosta has replicated that approach in part, in his time as GM, I expect another WR pick this year.

The Ravens are likely looking for a WR with "X" type skills. But "X" WRs come in all shapes and sizes. I think they'll be looking for DK Metcalf to Zay Flowers' Tyler Lockett, someone who excels on deep routes and can add hitches, comebacks, and double moves to his repertoire. However, there is talent all over the board this year and they should not rule out taking a different archetype of X if he falls to them and can make a difference to this WR corps.

Current Spending: 6.81% of Cap//Ranks 27<sup>th</sup> in the NFL Returning Players: Rashod Bateman, Zay Flowers, Nelson Agholor, Tylan Wallace, Deonte Harty, Sean Ryan, Scotty Washington

Wide Receiver Rankings: (Perf = Performance, Pot = Potential)

Name	School	<b>Total Perf</b>	Total Pot
Malik Nabers	LSU	5.25	5.25
Marvin Harrison Jr	Ohio State	5.17	5.42
Rome Odunze	Washington	4.75	4.92
Ricky Pearsall	Florida	4.50	4.75
Brian Thomas Jr	LSU	4.42	4.83
Jalen McMillan	Washington	4.25	4.50
Troy Franklin	Oregon	4.25	4.42
Keon Coleman	Florida State	4.25	4.33
Adonai Mitchell	Texas	4.17	4.67
Xavier Legette	South Carolina	4.17	4.50
Malachi Corley	Western Kentucky	4.17	4.50
Ja'Lynn Polk	Washington	4.17	4.33
Ladd McConkey	Georgia	4.17	4.25
Javon Baker	UCF	4.17	4.25
Roman Wilson	Michigan	3.92	4.33
Xavier Worthy	Texas	3.92	4.17
Devontez Walker	North Carolina	3.83	4.25

N.B. There is no report on Marvin Harrison Jr. as he will definitely not be a Raven.



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	Athletic Ability	Mental Processing	Competitive Toughness	Game IQ	Scheme Fit	Play Speed	Play Strength
Name	Perf	Perf	Perf	Perf	Perf	Perf	Perf
Malik Nabers	6	5	4	5	6	6	4
Marvin Harrison Jr	6	5	5	5	6	6	5
Rome Odunze	6	5	4	4	4	5	5
Ricky Pearsall	5	5	5	4	6	5	3
Brian Thomas Jr	6	3	3	4	5	6	3
Jalen McMillan	4	5	4	4	6	4	2
Troy Franklin	5	5	3	4	5	5	4
Keon Coleman	3	6	4	5	2	4	4
Adonai Mitchell	6	3	5	3	5	5	5
Xavier Legette	5	3	4	4	5	4	4
Malachi Corley	5	5	6	4	5	5	3
Ja'Lynn Polk	3	6	5	5	4	3	4
Ladd McConkey	3	5	5	5	5	3	3
Javon Baker	3	5	4	5	5	4	4
Roman Wilson	5	3	5	4	3	4	4
Xavier Worthy	6	3	4	4	5	5	2
Devontez Walker	5	4	3	4	5	4	4

Detailed Wide Receiver Criteria Grading (Position Criteria applies to WRs only)

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		Release	Separation	Quickness		Hands	Adjust /	Body Confrol	Yards Affer	Catch (YAC)
Name	Perf	Pot	Perf	Pot	Perf	Pot	Perf	Pot	Perf	Pot
Malik Nabers	6	6	6	6	5	5	5	5	5	5
Marvin Harrison Jr	5	6	5	6	4	5	5	5	5	5
Rome Odunze	5	5	3	5	6	6	6	6	4	4
Ricky Pearsall	3	4	4	5	5	5	6	6	3	4
Brian Thomas Jr	4	6	5	6	5	5	5	6	4	5
Jalen McMillan	4	5	5	5	5	6	5	6	3	3
Troy Franklin	4	5	5	5	3	4	4	4	4	4
Keon Coleman	3	4	4	4	6	6	6	6	4	4
Adonai Mitchell	4	5	3	5	5	5	4	5	2	4
Xavier Legette	3	5	3	5	5	5	5	5	5	5
Malachi Corley	2	3	2	3	4	5	3	4	6	6
Ja'Lynn Polk	3	4	4	5	5	5	6	6	2	2
Ladd McConkey	3	4	5	5	5	5	5	5	3	3
Javon Baker	4	4	4	4	5	5	4	5	3	3
Roman Wilson	2	4	4	6	5	5	5	5	3	4
Xavier Worthy	3	3	4	5	4	4	3	4	4	5
Devontez Walker	3	4	3	4	5	6	4	4	2	4



Elite at the catch-point with ridiculous ball tracking, hands and body control.

Varied release package, excellent technique through the route. Not an elite separator.

#### **PRODUCTION**

SR: 131 Tgts, 87 Recs, 1553 Rec Yards (17.9 Ave), 13 Rec TDs JR: 110 Tgts, 75 Recs, 1145 Rec Yards (15.3 Ave), 7 Rec TDs INJURY: Played through broken rib/punctured lung

#### **RAVENS FIT**

ATHLETICISM \$\frac{1}{\sqrt{5}}\$
INTELLIGENCE \$\frac{1}{\sqrt{4}}\$
VERSATILITY \$\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}\$
GRIT \$\frac{1}{\sqrt{4}}\$
SCHEME \$\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}\$

# ROME ODUNZE

#### WR WASHINGTON 6-3 212 SR

#1 PERFORMANCE GRADE: 4.75 POTENTIAL GRADE: 4.92 POSITIONAL RANK: 3 ARM LENGTH: 32 1/4"//HAND SIZE: 9 1/4"//40YD: 4.45 (87%)//10YD: 1.54 (88%) VJ: 39" (93%)//BJ: 10'4" (81%)//BP: N/A (%)//SS: 4.03 (97%)//3C: 6.88 (80%)

**Context** Plays mostly as the X receiver in Washington's successful Air Raid offense surrounded by other solid to good receivers and a good Quarterback in Michael Penix Jr.

Before the Catch He has a varied release package in terms of his technique with both footwork and hands. He can win off the line of scrimmage regularly facing press either with or without a jam utilizing both his technique and his play strength. His footwork on single and double moves off the line is effective, and he can unbalance defenders quickly. He uses quick and violent hands against a jam and has a variety of moves to deploy with his hands, particularly adept at using a wipe move to clear his hands, he can use his aggression and play strength to get a clean release. Against bail defenders he is expert at attacking leverage and get into the defender's blind spot - this is deployed to best effect when running out or dig routes where he can break from this position of strength. Where he struggles to release consistently is on vertical routes when facing off or bail coverage, he does not close cushion quickly enough and DBs with at least solid footwork are able to keep him in phase through the release portion of the route and into the stem. He does have a consistent stem and is able to gain separation through his technique and processing. He reads coverage and understands quickly what the DB is trying to do and how best to attack it. He executes hard-angle breaks and speed cuts at a high level, with no rise and making quick transitions on speed cuts, maintaining good posture, and snapping his face out of the break on hard angles. If a Defensive Back gets physical with him, he can match that physicality and win with his play strength and competitive toughness, he can chop or wipe to disengage hands in both the stem and at the breakpoint. Getting physical with him normally results in him gaining good separation. He also has an effective pressure step in this portion of the route and can set defenders up. He is effective on both 2-step and square cuts. Where he does not excel as much in terms of gaining separation is on vertical routes, he can attack with lean, but he isn't able to threaten with enough speed against better CBs who can turn and stay in phase downfield. Against those DBs with very good play strength, he doesn't always have the speed to put distance between himself and the defender after the break.

The Catch and after the Catch He is elite at the catch-point, both with his hands and his body control and adjust to the football. He will catch all types of thrown ball, making sure to catch away from his body with the proper hand positioning on all types of thrown ball. He is able to make even the highest degree of difficulty contested catches, through his excellent ability to track the ball in all situations but also with the way utilizes late hands. He is particularly adept at making catches on the sideline and getting feet down in-bounds. His body position to make catches is elite and he can genuinely garner the moniker "open, even when he isn't". He has good YAC and can make defenders miss with change of direction in the open field as well as physicality but he will not run away from quicker DBs in space.

#### **PROJECTION & RAVENS FIT**

**Projection** Starting X, will likely thrive in an offense that uses more west coast concepts but needs a QB who trusts his receivers to make plays and can make accurate, high velocity throws into tight windows.

Ravens Fit Odunze is not an elite separator but his elite at the catch-point, for a Ravens comparison, think Anquan Boldin. His fit with Lamar Jackson is therefore an important consideration, while Jackson has shown he clearly has the ability to make all types of throws to all types of receivers, he has shown more of a willingness to target elite separators (Hollywood Brown, Zay Flowers) than elite catch-point receivers. This means Odunze is lower on the Ravens fit score but is one of the best receivers in this class and warrants consideration.



Off-the-charts athleticism, both speed and explosive ability, as well as technique make him an elite separator with top ball skills. Good footwork in his release. Likely immediate starter.

#### **PRODUCTION**

JR: 128 Tgts, 89 Recs, 1568 Rec Yards (17.6 Ave), 14 Rec TDs SO: 100 Tgts, 72 Recs, 1017 Rec Yards (14.1 Ave), 3 Rec TDs

INJURY: None

#### **RAVENS FIT**

ATHLETICISM \$\frac{1}{2}5\$
INTELLIGENCE \$\frac{1}{2}4\$
VERSATILITY \$\frac{1}{2}4\$
GRIT \$\frac{1}{2}4\$
SCHEME \$\frac{1}{2}5\$

# MALIK NABERS

WR LSU 6-0 200 JR

#8 PERFORMANCE GRADE: 5.17 POTENTIAL GRADE: 5.42 POSITIONAL RANK: 1 ARM LENGTH: 31 3/8"//HAND SIZE: 9 7/8"//40YD: 4.38 (97%)//10YD: 1.56 (80%) VJ: 42" (100%)//BJ: 10'9" (95%)//BP: 15 (72%)//SS: N/A (%)//3C: N/A (%)

**Context** Lines up all over the formation, majority in the slot, but also at Z regularly.

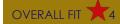
Before the Catch Against press he deploys his outstanding athleticism, particularly his acceleration and foot speed to win off the line in most situations. His footwork against press without a jam allows him to win quickly, utilizing his most effective speed release as well as a single move and double move to attack leverage and set up the vertical stretch portion of the route. Against press with a jam, he has good technique to clear his hands but those CBs with very good play strength can hold him up at the line currently. Against off coverage he can close the cushion to the DB extremely quickly due to his speed and quickly converts to a press release, often leaving the DB in his wake as he works into his route after beating him with his impressive footwork. If a DB has the athleticism to stay with him in the first moments of the route during the release and immediately after, he is able to then deploy his excellent technique at the breakpoint to win and get open quickly. He has outstanding deceleration both from high speed and on shorter hitch routes – he can snap off vertical routes and looks like the textbook example of how to execute hard angle breaks. He holds his body posture and his eyes downfield and really sells those routes, combining this technique and athleticism means that even the most elite Defensive Backs when it comes to athleticism and processing give up some separation at the break point on these routes. Although 180 or 135 degree cuts are his specialty, the same can be said for 90 degree cuts either requiring the same 2 step break or a square cut when decelerating from high speed - he uses his technique as well as his explosive ability and speed out of the break to put distance between himself and the DB. In all of these instances you can see him use an effective brake step to sink his hips and drop his weight before exploding out of the break after opening his hips with fluidity. Because of this ability to deploy his explosive ability, he's near uncoverable on double move routes as the defender has to respect both his speed and his ability to get in and out of his breaks. He is very difficult to cover on fades. He is also an excellent processor and reads coverage well, finding the soft spot in the zone with regularity. Where he could find some improvement in his ability to separate is on more vertical routes where a bam step is required – posts or corners, as he is liable to lean too far in the direction of the break before he makes the break, giving DBs with good processing ability the chance to recover or stay in phase.

**The Catch and after the Catch** He has excellent manual dexterity and can catch outside his frame with the proper hands position on all different types of catches. He has very good body control and can put himself in the optimum body position to make a catch as well as keep his feet down on the sideline. He has outstanding ball tracking, particularly on vertical routes and has late hands to keep in-phase DBs from making a play on the ball. He deploys his speed and explosion in his YAC and can run away from even the most athletic defenders when he is in space as well as beating defenders in traffic with his change of direction.

#### **PROJECTION & RAVENS FIT**

**Projection** Immediate Pro-Bowl level contributor as slot/Z in a vertical offense.

Ravens Fit There is very little chance, if any, that Nabers is still available when the Ravens pick late in the first round, as well as the Ravens likely not looking to target another Wide Receiver in the 1st round. Though, this certainly won't stop them from having Nabers rated extremely highly on their board. He is an elite separator with the kind of speed and explosion that they appear to routinely look for at the position. If they did manoeuvre into position to select him, he would stop them needing to prioritise re-signing Odell Beckham Jr. as Nabers reminds me of his fellow LSU alum and could be the kind of difference-maker Beckham was when he entered the league.



Outstanding athleticism and great technique when playing in space and gain good separation. Lack of play strength and physicality could present challenge at the next level

#### **PRODUCTION**

JR: 87 Tgts, 68 Recs, 1177 Rec Yards (17.3 Ave), 17 Rec TDs SO: 48 Tgts, 31 Recs, 361 Rec Yards (11.6 Ave), 5 Rec TDs

INJURY: None

#### **RAVENS FIT**

ATHLETICISM 4
INTELLIGENCE 3
VERSATILITY 4
GRIT 3
SCHEME 44

# BRIAN THOMAS JR.

WR LSU 6-2 209 JR

#11 PERFORMANCE GRADE: 4.42 POTENTIAL GRADE: 4.83 POSITIONAL RANK: 5 ARM LENGTH: 32 3/4"//HAND SIZE: 9 3/4"//40YD: 4.33 (100%)//10YD: 1.52 (94%) VJ: 38 1/2" (91%)//BJ: 10'6" (88%)//BP: 11 (39%)//SS: N/A (%)//3C: N/A (%)

Context Plays mostly as the X in a talented LSU offense.

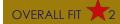
Before the Catch He has a varied release package if executing a space or secondary release. When he's facing soft press or catch man, he is able to utilize a variety of techniques to close the space to the defender, his most effective being a short stride move into a single move or speed release that can allow him to beat most Defensive Backs in this early portion of the route. He can also use his footwork and foot speed to execute an effective single move or speed release against press coverage without a jam. As soon as the defender gets more physical or brings more play strength and engages him with a jam, the defender starts to get more sticky through the early portion of the route. He does not have a varied release package with his hands and struggles to gain an advantage against press with a jam. Against bail or off coverage he uses his long strides to quickly eat up cushion and he's excellent at using pacing to blow past defenders with his speed. He does also show the ability to stem into the defender's blind spot, and to get DBs flat-footed before a break that involves a bam step, like a corner or a post route, but doesn't do either of these consistently against those DBs with better processing themselves. At the break point, he can separate consistently with his athleticism and technique. He has outstanding technique for his routes that call for a two-step break, mainly because he threatens vertically with speed in his route stem and because of his ability to sink his hips, shifting all of his weight onto his brake foot. He also has excellent acceleration out of his break and is a tough cover for all CBs, even those most athletic CBs. His lack of aggression and play strength also rears its head at the break-point too though, as DBs who are physical through the stem of his route and at the break, can stay in phase both into the break and out of it. He can struggle to find soft spots in intermediate zones to help his QB but underneath and on the sideline, he has excellent awareness to find the open spot. On vertical routes like go, corner, post, he gains separation with speed, acceleration, technique.

**The Catch and after the Catch** He has good body position to prepare to make the catch and can work into a position to shield the ball from hits from defenders who are just slightly out of phase in their coverage of him. He has outstanding adjust to the ball in the air. He could however do a better job of using his body and significant size to box out defenders who are in closer position to him in coverage. He has good ball tracking on all types of routes and shows late hands, especially on downfield, over-the-shoulder throws. He has very good hands in general. He can win with YAC; with speed and some change of direction, as well as a stiff arm, but does not run through contact.

#### **PROJECTION & RAVENS FIT**

**Projection** Starting X receiver, who is scheme diverse but needs a little bit of time to hit his ceiling, which is quite high.

Ravens Fit He has the requisite athleticism that the Ravens look for and his developmental trajectory might work really well for a team that still has another year out of Bateman. It is slightly unrealistic to see the Ravens as having a shot at him, he will likely go way before they pick. But he's an elite separator with excellent hands and only small issues to fix in his game that could see him turn into an elite contributor. There is a chance that you get him at a little bit of a discount because of the strength of this class, but you really shouldn't. He fits the bill of a starting X that the Ravens will be coveting.



Outstanding at the catchpoint, special hands, at his best on shorter underneath routes that call for hardangle breaks. Doesn't have elite speed, could work on release package

#### **PRODUCTION**

JR: 87 Tgts, 50 Recs, 658 Rec Yards (13.2 Ave), 11 Rec TDs SO: 88 Tgts, 58 Recs, 798 Rec Yards (13.8 Ave), 7 Rec TDs

INJURY: Missed 1 game (JR)

#### **RAVENS FIT**

ATHLETICISM \$\frac{1}{\pi}3\$

INTELLIGENCE \$\frac{1}{\pi}5\$

VERSATILITY \$\frac{1}{\pi}4\$

GRIT \$\frac{1}{\pi}3\$

SCHEME \$\frac{1}{\pi}2\$

# KEON COLEMAN

#### WR FLORIDA STATE 6-3 213 JR

#4 PERFORMANCE GRADE: 4.25 POTENTIAL GRADE: 4.33 POSITIONAL RANK: 8 ARM LENGTH: 32 1/8"//HAND SIZE: 9 3/8"//40YD: 4.61 (42%)//10YD: 1.62 (40%) VJ: 38" (88%)//BJ: 10'7" (91%)//BP: N/A (%)//SS: N/A (%)//3C: N/A (%)

 ${f Context}$  Lines up all over the formation, split pretty evenly across the Slot, X and Z positions.

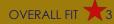
Before the Catch Against press coverage, he accelerates off the line and attacks leverage. He can use his footwork to win against soft press, but against DBs who are patient with their feet and process well, his moves can be unconvincing. His speed release is good but he doesn't have top tier speed so the best athletes can prove sticky. When jammed he does have effective hand moves, but again, those patient DBs can keep him contained at the line. Against off or bail coverage, his long strides eat up cushion quickly and he can effectively convert to a press release when he reaches the defender. He does show an ability to get into the defender's blind spot. He does not, however, always stem straight at the defender and can sometimes tip his route to the savvy defender. When running out of the slot, he can manipulate middle of the field defenders with subtle movements in his stem, this can be seen on all types of route but is especially effective on posts and corners. His two-step break is by far and away his most effective, strangely for a receiver with his size, he can drop his weight remarkably efficiently and get out of his break with explosion and good separation against all types of DB. He can also clear his hands well against physical DBs with good play strength. These shorter, hard angle routes are his specialty in terms of gaining separation – he is technically sound and utilizes his excellent hip fluidity. He is an excellent processor and reads the defense at a high level, especially Zone coverage underneath where he makes consistent adjustments to his routes to take account of Zone defenders. He also makes intelligent adjustments on broken plays and is a regular outlet for his QB. He does not have the top-end speed to blow past athletic DBs on vertical routes.

The Catch and after the Catch His skills at the catch-point are remarkably good. He has good body position on all types of catch, not only to position himself in the optimum position to come down with the ball – i.e. ready to turn his body to secure the ball on low throws, but also on the sideline to keep his feet in bounds, and to box out even physical defenders with good play strength. He has great hand positioning for all types of catch and makes the detailed adjustments necessary to come down with many different balls. He is especially good at coming down with low-thrown balls. He has outstanding ball tracking and has late hands on fades and downfield throws. He can fight through contact and come down with contested catches. As a YAC threat, he can make people miss with change of direction in the open-field but won't run away from the most athletic DBs.

#### **PROJECTION & RAVENS FIT**

**Projection** Starting big slot, who can be used flexibly across the formation, but will thrive the most in an offensive scheme with more West Coast principles.

Ravens Fit I'm not entirely sure on his fit with the Ravens who don't run a West Coast offense. Despite his size and outstanding catch-radius, he is most effective on routes that call for hard-angle breaks and gets his biggest separation on hitches and comebacks. He would help in targeting intermediate areas, and he is particularly proficient at getting open on broken plays because of his high football intelligence, something the Ravens will covet with Lamar Jackson's increased pocket awareness. The Ravens will give him consideration, but they will need to have a plan to take advantage of his skillset.



Excellent deep ball receiver with speed, who can get open against Zone coverage in intermediate areas due to deep threat. Will not get consistently open against Man due to technique

#### **PRODUCTION**

JR: 66 Tgts, 41 Recs, 699 Rec Yards (17.0 Ave), 7 Rec TDs SO: 95 Tgts, 58 Recs, 921 Rec Yards (15.9 Ave), 11 Rec TDs

INJURY: ACL Injury (HS)

#### **RAVENS FIT**

ATHLETICISM \$\square\$5
INTELLIGENCE \$\square\$4
VERSATILITY \$\square\$2
GRIT \$\square\$3
SCHEME \$\square\$4

# DEVONTEZ WALKER

#### WR NORTH CAROLINA 6-1 193 JR

#9 PERFORMANCE GRADE: 3.83 POTENTIAL GRADE: 4.25 POSITIONAL RANK: 17 ARM LENGTH: 33 1/4"//HAND SIZE: 9 1/8"//40YD: 4.36 (98%)//10YD: 1.51 (96%) VJ: 40 1/2" (98%)//BJ: 11'2" (99%)//BP: N/A (%)//SS: 4.30 (53%)//3C: N/A (%)

**Context** Transfer from Kent State plays mostly wide on the right of the formation in a very wide split, rarely but sometimes in the slot. Played with Drake Maye Junior year.

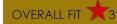
Before the Catch When faced with catch man or bail coverage, he is able to utilize his speed to attack leverage and win the early portion of the route. Against bail, he is adept at getting into the DB's blind spot. He has an effective speed release against press coverage. Against patient, physical CBs with good play strength, he can struggle to clear his hands against press with a jam at the line of scrimmage. He can get pinned to the sideline against these defenders and never really shakes off their coverage on all types of route. Against less patient DBs pressing with a jam, he can use his footwork to set up his hands and wins off the line. Against this competition he can also win when executing a space release, he has an effective hop to close the space. He separates with speed and processing against Zone coverage, especially effective against Cover 3/4. Having manipulated the defender and got into his blind spot when facing bail coverage in the release, he can use subtle movements on vertical routes to keep the defender quessing and then turns on his after-burners to win downfield. This gear change is what gets him open, he can execute this against man too, but separation isn't as great or consistent and he needs an accurate downfield QB to fit it into the window. He is also able to get open on hard angle routes like hitches and comebacks against Zone coverage, he's able to read the coverage effectively and DBs must respect his downfield speed. He's particularly adept at finding soft spots in intermediate zones. Against man coverage, on routes that call for a two-step break or square cut, he does not drop his weight and does not efficiently make his transition, allowing the DB to close the distance to him and make a play on the ball if targeted. Against man on hard angle routes, he makes clear early that he is decelerating, so savvy DBs can stay in phase with ease at the break point. On corner and post routes that call for a bam step against man coverage, he tips his hand to the DB well before the break-point. He is smooth, but this means very little he does is sudden and therefore predictable.

**The Catch and after the Catch** He has excellent hands on all types of catch, good manual dexterity and has good hand positioning with late hands on deep balls. He has good ball tracking on deep balls. On the whole he adjusts his body well to different types of thrown ball to allow him to do this but on balls that require significant adjustment to make the catch, he won't always get his body in the best position to make the catch. He will also let DBs back into the play on underthrown balls. Not a prolific YAC-getter but he can win with speed and run away from DBs.

#### **PROJECTION & RAVENS FIT**

**Projection** Developmental perimeter option for a vertical passing offense, will not win consistently against man coverage early in his career.

Ravens Fit Has the size and speed that the Ravens will be looking for in this class, he's also an effective deep ball receiver at first glance, with excellent hands. However, the Ravens do need a X-type of receiver who gets open consistently against man coverage, and this isn't Walker. He's at his most effective against Zone coverage, particularly in intermediate areas of the field. This particular trait is a good fit for playing with Lamar Jackson, given the rate the Ravens face Zone and how good Lamar is targeting these areas of the field. BUT the Ravens will be looking to diversify as they have plenty of options who can do that.



Impressive downfield threat, separates consistently and excels on posts and corner routes. Catching deficiency on balls thrown over his outside shoulder and some concentration drops

#### **PRODUCTION**

JR: 114 Tgts, 81 Recs, 1383 Rec Yards (17.1 Ave), 14 Rec TDs SO: 83 Tgts, 61 Recs, 891 Rec Yards (14.6 Ave), 9 Rec TDs

INJURY: None

#### **RAVENS FIT**

ATHLETICISM 4
INTELLIGENCE 4
VERSATILITY 4
GRIT 3
SCHEME 44

# TROY FRANKLIN

#### **WR OREGON 6-1 176 JR**

#11 PERFORMANCE GRADE: 4.25 POTENTIAL GRADE: 4.42 POSITIONAL RANK: 7 ARM LENGTH: 31 7/8"//HAND SIZE: 8 3/4"//40YD: 4.41 (93%)//10YD: 1.54 (88%) VJ: 39" (93%)//BJ: 10'4" (81%)//BP: N/A (%)//SS: 4.31 (51%)//3C: 6.90 (77%)

**Context** Plays primarily split out wide in Oregon's RPO heavy, spread attack.

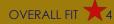
Before the Catch His stance is oddly upright, and his weight distribution is not consistent. There are long periods of games where his weight distribution can tip off the defense on run vs pass (with the obvious exception of RPOs), his weight is slightly forward when he is heading out on a route. When facing press coverage with a jam from patient DBs with solid play strength, he can struggle to shake the defender in the early portion of the route. When he is pressed without a jam, he can use his footwork and his excellent change of direction to win off the line of scrimmage. He closes well to soft press or catch man with a variety of moves, including a hop and a foot fire, before converting to a press release where he can consistently use his single move to defeat the press. When facing off or bail coverage he can eat up the cushion exceptionally quickly and blow past flat-footed defenders with his speed. Against bail coverage, he can also effectively stem into the defender's blind spot. He reads coverage well and processes at a high level, he can adjust his attack of the DB's leverage depending on the coverage he sees pre-snap, his small adjustments are pre-meditated and effective. He has a consistent stem and makes it very difficult for even savvy DBs to read his intentions. His best attribute at the break-point is how sudden and crisp his breaks are, his technique and athleticism are how he separates consistently. He sinks his hips and drops his weight efficiently for harder angle breaks and decelerates from high speed on deep comebacks with impressive quickness. On square cut and speed cuts he is able to make the transition to perpendicular to the line of scrimmage with a minimum of fuss. His best type of break are those that call for a bam step on posts or corners – he has great posture, attacks with lean and uses an elbow jam to make his break sudden. He is consistently open on these types of routes against even the best competition. He also has enough speed to get open on go routes.

The Catch and after the Catch He can catch the ball with manual dexterity when running horizontally to the line of scrimmage whether the ball is thrown on him, behind or in front. He also has a good understanding of body position to box out in phase defenders. He can let the ball get into his body on occasion but it's normally at the suitable time when protecting the football. Where you can expect drops is when the ball is thrown over his outside shoulder on deep balls, he doesn't bring his hands together quickly enough. And you can find concentration drops on tape when he is coming back to the ball and thinking about turning up field to beat a close defender for YAC. Speaking of YAC, he gets solid gains with his speed and change of direction.

#### **PROJECTION & RAVENS FIT**

**Projection** Starting outside receiver in a vertical offense but there will be some pain, especially on big time throws, until he fixes his catching deficiency.

Ravens Fit An intriguing fit for the Ravens who has the size and speed they are looking for and excels on the types of routes this offense needs someone to excel on. He's a good separator and a good match with Lamar Jackson. However, the issue with his hands is a difficult one to get past when considering drafting him in the first round, the Ravens will need to be confident in his ability to fix the issue. Aside from that, his talent would see him have a chance to wrestle the starting gig away from Rashod Bateman early. The early returns on downfield throws might just be a little disappointing.



Likely very effective no.2 if paired with a dominant no.1.

Technically excellent competitor, solid athleticism.

Won't win with speed, can get pinned at the line against the very best

#### **PRODUCTION**

JR: 37 Tgts, 30 Recs, 483 Rec Yards (16.1 Ave), 2 Rec TDs SO: 23 Tgts, 58 Recs, 762 Rec Yards (13.1 Ave), 7 Rec TDs INJURY: Back and ankle injuries (Jr) missed 5 games

#### **RAVENS FIT**

ATHLETICISM \$\frac{1}{3}\$

INTELLIGENCE \$\frac{1}{5}\$

VERSATILITY \$\frac{1}{4}\$

GRIT \$\frac{1}{5}\$

SCHEME \$\frac{1}{4}\$

# LADD MCCONKEY

#### **WR** GEORGIA **5-11 186** JR

#84 PERFORMANCE GRADE: 4.17 POTENTIAL GRADE: 4.25 POSITIONAL RANK: 13 ARM LENGTH: 30 1/4"//HAND SIZE: 8 5/8"//40YD: 4.39 (96%)//10YD: 1.52 (94%) VJ: 36" (73%)//BJ: 10'4" (81%)//BP: 13 (55%)//SS: 3.97 (99%)//3C: 6.72 (94%)

**Context** Plays mostly outside as the Z receiver but has spent some time in the slot.

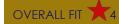
Before the Catch When facing soft press, he is able to use his footwork and his change of direction to win off the line against most competition. This is also true when executing a space release, he has a nice package of tactics to close the space and then converts to a press release seamlessly. When facing a jam in any of these situations, he will win consistently against lesser competition who don't time their jam well. Against better competition though, those DBs with a plan and good play strength, he can be pinned at the line, or significantly pushed off his route to the sideline, partly due to his play strength, partly due to his hand timing. He can compete though and if the DB makes a mistake with his jam, he can take full advantage of that. When he faces off or bail coverage he's at his most dangerous for gaining separation at the top of his route as he closes the space quickly and has a remarkably consistent stem that even the highest processing DBs are unable to read. He attacks leverage expertly and sets up his break. He's technically impressive on lots of different types of routes and wins often with a combination of solid athleticism and outstanding technique and salesmanship. Everything he does is crisp and sudden even if he doesn't play with elite athleticism and therefore explosion. On two-step breaks, he gets in and out of the break so quickly, he has a good break step followed by a better drive step and he's able to use his hip mobility to make the turn quickly. When operating out of the slot he's also able to use some play strength to disengage smaller DBs. He has an excellent speed cut for quick outs and slants, there is no rise and he can make the transition to perpendicular to the line of scrimmage remarkably quickly. He can sink his weight well and snap off his acceleration on deep comebacks. His consistent stem means many of his routes when he's facing off coverage are always open, especially on hitch routes where he's a Quarterback's dream outlet if throwing with timing against the blitz. His hip mobility comes into play on all these types of route, but he also isn't afraid to work right into the Defensive Back before breaking. The consistency in his stem helps him get open on deeper routes like corners and posts that call for a bam step, he can disguise the break and fool even the most savvy DBs.

**The Catch and after the Catch** Outstanding hands on all types of throw, he has excellent ball tracking on downfield throws and attacks all types of target with the correct hand position, especially good catching outside his frame. Not a huge catch radius but will catch everything in it consistently. Great adjust to balls thrown over different shoulders and to balls thrown towards the sideline and getting feet in bounds.

#### **PROJECTION & RAVENS FIT**

**Projection** Likely number 2 at the next level who will need to be paired with a dominant number one receiver who can draw the best cover defender.

Ravens Fit A remarkably good fit for the Ravens and though he doesn't match the ideal prototype they may be looking for, he will be hard to pass up if he falls and ends up as a good value pick. He might be hard to get opportunities too with Flowers in position too but they could get creative and find a spot for him, especially given his versatility. He is a technician with great hands and just lacks the top-end athleticism that the Ravens do look for at the position. He does all of the dirty work well – running pick plays, blocking, acting as a decoy, which the Ravens will love and his processing makes him good on broken plays.



Good hands and dangerous vertical receiver with good size and excellent athleticism – speed and explosion.

Technique lets him down on underneath and intermediate routes

#### **PRODUCTION**

JR: 86 Tgts, 55 Recs, 845 Rec Yards (15.4 Ave), 11 Rec TDs FR: 52 Tgts, 29 Recs, 428 Rec Yards (14.8 Ave), 4 Rec TDs INJURY: Missed most of SO year with high ankle sprain

#### **RAVENS FIT**

ATHLETICISM \$\frac{1}{2}\$
INTELLIGENCE \$\frac{1}{2}\$
VERSATILITY \$\frac{1}{2}\$
GRIT \$\frac{1}{4}\$
SCHEME \$\frac{1}{4}\$

# ADONAI MITCHELL

WR TEXAS 6-2 205 JR

#5 PERFORMANCE GRADE: 4.17 POTENTIAL GRADE: 4.67 POSITIONAL RANK: 9 ARM LENGTH: 32 3/8"//HAND SIZE: 9"//40YD: 4.34 (99%)//10YD: 1.48 (99%) VJ: 39 1/2" (95%)//BJ: 11'4" (100%)//BP: N/A (%)//SS: N/A (%)//3C: N/A (%)

**Context** Final year transfer to Texas, played the X position in their offense.

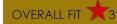
Before the Catch He has outstanding athletic ability, specifically his speed and explosion which he utilizes in the release portion of the route. When executing space releases, he closes the space to the defender well with a variety of techniques, then uses the explosion to make single and double moves off the line work, and can accelerate off the line. He is physical and competitive with good play strength, so when he is jammed, he is able to release into his route stem efficiently. He could stand to add more of a plan against press with a jam, and add more polish to his work with his hands, but this will likely come with more reps as he wasn't jammed too often in college. Against off or bail coverage, he doesn't have as much play speed and could close cushion more quickly to attack leverage. When he gets to the break point on shorter routes that call for a speed cut, there is far too much rise and he doesn't make the transition quickly. On dig routes or deep outs, he has a good brake step but his drive step and subsequent line step allow the defender back into the rep. His technique on these type of short and intermediate routes that call for a 90 degree cut consistently lets him down and means he is unable to take advantage of his athletic ability to win at the top of his routes in these situations. On more hard angle breaks for hitches and deep comebacks, he can snap off his acceleration effectively and use his explosive ability to stop quickly, giving him a chance to create separation but he consistently allows DBs with better ball skills a chance to win at the catch-point as he doesn't work back to the Quarterback and doesn't understand where hits will be coming from when working against zone coverage. He could generally do a better job in underneath and intermediate areas identifying coverage quicker and finding soft spots. He could also be a better salesman and often tips his hand to the DB when you inspect his stem more closely. On vertical routes, both go routes and those that call for a vertical cut, he can be dangerous against even the best competition. He has an effective barn step and can get the defender to turn the wrong way or remain flat-footed as he breaks to the corner or the post, before deploying his acceleration and speed to win emphatically.

**The Catch and after the Catch** He has really good hands and catches the ball outside his frame effectively. He attacks all types of target well and positions his hands correctly to give him the best chance at securing the catch. He has good body positioning to adjust to the football but there is the small deficiency already mentioned, ensuring he protects the football against better DBs. He does not win consistently with YAC with change of direction or contact balance, though he can run away from defenders.

#### **PROJECTION & RAVENS FIT**

**Projection** Developmental X receiver in a vertical passing attack, will be able to contribute in limited ways early as a downfield threat only.

Ravens Fit Absolutely has the size and athletic profile the Ravens are likely to be looking for in their next draft pick at Wide Receiver. He also wins on vertical routes and has good hands to secure catches downfield, likely ticking another box on the Ravens wish-list. He's also competitive, aggressive and physically tough which the Ravens will also love. However, there is a glaring concern with his work in underneath areas where he cannot win consistently on several routes due to technique deficiencies, I don't think this excludes him entirely but the Ravens will need to be confident that he can develop himself in that area.



Ludicrously athletic with world-class speed. Translates well for more linear routes and to beat defenders' angles but lateral breaks need some work. Hands are also deficient

#### **PRODUCTION**

JR: 119 Tgts, 75 Recs, 1014 Rec Yards (13.5 Ave), 5 Rec TDs SO: 113 Tgts, 59 Recs, 757 Rec Yards (12.8 Ave), 8 Rec TDs

INJURY: None

#### **RAVENS FIT**

ATHLETICISM \$\frac{1}{2}\$
INTELLIGENCE \$\frac{1}{2}\$
VERSATILITY \$\frac{1}{2}\$
GRIT \$\frac{1}{4}\$
SCHEME \$\frac{1}{4}\$

## **XAVIER WORTHY**

#### WR TEXAS 5-11 165 JR

#1 PERFORMANCE GRADE: 3.92 POTENTIAL GRADE: 4.17 POSITIONAL RANK: 16 ARM LENGTH: 31 1/8"//HAND SIZE: 8 3/4"//40YD: 4.21 (100%)//10YD: 1.44 (100%) VJ: 41" (99%)//BJ: 10'11" (97%)//BP: N/A (%)//SS: N/A (%)//3C: N/A (%)

**Context** Played in a hybrid slot/Z role for Texas, they schemed a lot of free releases for him, putting him in motion at the snap and in stack formations.

Before the Catch When facing soft shoe press at the line of scrimmage he can use explosion and speed, as well as a varied release package in his footwork to close the space to the Defensive Back and win in the early portion of the route. However, when the DB presses him with a jam, he does not play with solid play strength, his hands are not well timed or accurate and he the defender will normally stay stuck on him throughout the rest of the route when this is the case, this is because his lack of play strength extends to the break-point and the catchpoint, where he is unable to separate from savvy CBs who can use their size and strength to stay in phase. When facing bail coverage, he doesn't read coverage at a high level and his lack of processing when facing any kind of Zone coverage hurts his play speed. When facing off coverage, he attacks leverage well and doesn't have to process as much as he is facing man, so he eats up the cushion quickly. When he is facing man coverage, he can use his athleticism – specifically his ridiculous speed and explosion to blow past even very athletic CBs. This is mostly on go routes or hitches and comebacks where the straight-line athleticism he has can come into it's own. Hitches against off coverage by DBs that don't process at a high level or match his athleticism are easy money for him, he will attack at full speed with a stem that is hard to read and stops on a dime. On routes that call for more of a lateral break, he isn't technically sound and it affects his play speed. On deeper routes that require a bam step - corner/post routes, there is little salesmanship, his stem isn't consistent and tips his hand to the DB, and he throws a leg out to the side with little purpose when trying to sell the go route before making the break. He can get by stiff hipped safeties because of his speed. He doesn't attack intermediate routes with a 2-step break like digs with the same speed as more linear routes and it means DBs can sit on him and keep him in phase at the top of his route. He also loses speed in the transition on these routes and speed cuts to make out routes.

The Catch and after the Catch When catching outside his frame from a stationary position or working back to the QB, he attacks the ball well with the correct hand position. He has poor attack of targets thrown outside his frame to the side of his body when running parallel to the line of scrimmage, with poor hand position to secure the ball. He tracks the deep ball well and catches the ball well over his outside shoulder when thrown in stride. But if the ball is underthrown or thrown over his inside shoulder, he will make a strange adjustment with his body which actually increases the degree of difficulty on the catch for him. He can also too quickly move to a cradle position when catching softer thrown targets or balls thrown in front of him. He has ludicrous speed after the catch and make even the most athletic defenders look silly with their angles, but doesn't win as often as you would like with change of direction, and any kind of contact puts him down.

#### **PROJECTION & RAVENS FIT**

**Projection** Must develop his hands to start, when he does, will need to be schemed free releases and manufactured touches – must have a plan for him.

Ravens Fit Eric DeCosta was open-mouthed at the Combine when Xavier Worthy broke the 40 record and has talked about building a track team at receiver. Worthy isn't a bad schematic fit for the Ravens because of this speed and as they have shown a willingness to manufacture touches for a special athlete at the position. However, there are too many deficiencies in his game to consider Worthy a good fit for the Ravens. If you take him, then you need to find ways to get him the football. The Ravens need to do that for many of their other weapons and need to see Worthy develop, especially his hands.



Size and speed but has more refinement in the skills of playing the position than just a H-W-S guy normally would. Needs more variety in his release package and salesmanship in routes

#### **PRODUCTION**

SR: 97 Tgts, 71 Recs, 1255 Rec Yards (17.7 Ave), 7 Rec TDs JR: 29 Tgts, 18 Recs, 167 Rec Yards (9.3 Ave), 3 Rec TDs INJURY: Missed time in 2021 due to Motorcycle accident

#### **RAVENS FIT**

ATHLETICISM \$\frac{1}{4}\$

VERSATILITY \$\frac{1}{4}\$

GRIT \$\frac{1}{4}\$

SCHEME \$\frac{1}{5}\$

## XAVIER LEGETTE

#### WR SOUTH CAROLINA 6-1 221 SR

#17 PERFORMANCE GRADE: 4.17 POTENTIAL GRADE: 4.50 POSITIONAL RANK: 10 ARM LENGTH: 31 7/8"//HAND SIZE: 9"//40YD: 4.39 (96%)//10YD: 1.57 (74%) VJ: 40" (96%)//BJ: 10'6" (87%)//BP: 24 (100%)//SS: N/A (%)//3C: N/A (%)

Context Plays mostly X, in the slot but also ran some at Z, out of the backfield and in motion.

Before the Catch Needs far more variety in his release package when facing press either with or without a jam. He does have an effective speed release due to his speed and explosion, and while it was enough for most competition in college, he will need to develop and refine other releases with his footwork. He has the play strength to be effective against a jam but he lacks technique and refined moves with his hands to release from press with a jam. When facing off or bail coverage, he's a tough cover. He can attack leverage and gets into blind spots as well as his long strides closing cushion remarkably quickly. He can work off this well into shorter routes like hitches, pivots and slants. He is able to drop his weight well for his size and snap his face out of the break on hard-angle breaks. This is similarly true on deeper comebacks where he has an excellent brake step from full speed. On slants he can use his athleticism to separate after the break-point and then deploy his catch point skills to make the slant against off coverage a lay-up at times. On speed cuts on out routes he does not make the transition quickly enough and the deficiency he has in his hip mobility shows up. His limited hip mobility also allows the better processing defenders to read his intentions. On vertical cuts he cheats due to his lack of hip mobility and stems in the direction of the break. leading DBs to stay in phase on routes where he can be most dangerous. When executing a bam step he has a good head fake and elbow jam to help him turn his hips but he negates the attempted technique because of the stem. He does show that he does this with purpose as you can see him fake a go route before making the break in some instances but this is rare so he doesn't often keep the DB guessing. He works hard on all his routes to use technique to minimize the challenge he has with hip mobility and therefore take advantage of his linear athleticism and play strength. He will defeat even physical DBs at the break-point with play strength, aggression; breaking through defenders to stay on his route path. When facing underneath zone coverage he is not as adept as you would like at finding the soft spots in the Zone and can sometimes drift towards defenders. His speed out of every break is frightening as he can eat up ground.

**The Catch and after the Catch** He attacks all targets with the correct hand position except balls thrown low and outside his frame when running perpendicular to the line of scrimmage. On all other targets he brings his hands together early and has late hands with outstanding body control for high degree of difficulty catches above his head and close to the sideline. He will contest catches at the break point and competes to win 50/50 balls, coming down with more than his fair share. He tracks the ball well downfield and makes solid catches outside his frame and over his shoulder. He gains YAC with scary speed and makes defenders look silly with the angles they take to get him, he can also win with play strength, shrugging off would—be tacklers.

#### **PROJECTION & RAVENS FIT**

**Projection** Starting X with some development, needs to play a DK Metcalf-type role, not making the comparison just the best way to get the most out of him, getting him out on slants and hitch routes as well as go routes.

**Ravens Fit** Legette is a really good fit for what the Ravens should be looking for out of their next Wide Receiver draft pick. He has the speed and size they need and doesn't have the landmine of poor hands to be concerned about. He has clearly worked hard on his technique but further refinement of his release package and his salesmanship on posts and corners can make him into a formidable starting X in the Ravens offense specifically. The scheme fit and what the Ravens usually look for in a receiver make him a good fit overall.



Athlete, good separator on slants, posts, corners and an excellent processor to get open vs Zone coverage.

Needs more play strength in release, technical fix on other routes. Elite hands

#### **PRODUCTION**

SR: 87 Tgts, 65 Recs, 963 Rec Yards (14.8 Ave), 4 Rec TDs JR: 59 Tgts, 34 Recs, 669 Rec Yards (19.7 Ave), 5 Rec TDs

INJURY: None

#### **RAVENS FIT**

ATHLETICISM \$\square\$5

INTELLIGENCE \$\square\$5

VERSATILITY \$\square\$5

GRIT \$\square\$4

SCHEME \$\square\$5

# RICKY PEARSALL

#### WR FLORIDA 6-1 189 SR

#1 PERFORMANCE GRADE: 4.50 POTENTIAL GRADE: 4.75 POSITIONAL RANK: 4 ARM LENGTH: 30 7/8"//HAND SIZE: 9 1/4"//40YD: 4.41 (93%)//10YD: 1.49 (99%) VJ: 42" (100%)//BJ: 10'9" (95%)//BP: 17 (84%)//SS: 4.05 (95%)//3C: 6.64 (98%)

Context Plays all over the formation, most of the time in the slot but lined up everywhere.

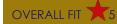
Before the Catch Has excellent footwork to release from press coverage without a jam. He has a varied release package with a plan and the patience to execute it. He can win early in many different ways but his explosion and change of direction, as well as his acceleration and speed are the main reasons he is able to beat DBs off the line of scrimmage when they don't lay a hand on him, but he's also a master of attacking leverage. When he is jammed, he can get pushed around and doesn't make much of an effort either with technique or with physicality and aggression to clear the Defensive Back. When he is jammed he releases around the defender and the timing of his route is severely disrupted. He has some play strength and plenty of competitiveness that suggests he could do better in this regard. Attacks leverage and stems into the DB when facing off or bail coverage and uses his speed to eat up the cushion quickly. He separates with processing, technique and athleticism. Firstly, when facing Zone coverage, he quickly processes what the defense is trying to do, quickly locates and gets into the soft spot in the coverage, he's particularly adept at doing this against heavy underneath zones, getting in front of the safeties and making a play in the intermediate area of the field. He looks technically good on the approach to 2 step breaks, can snap off his acceleration and get into the break well, but his drive step on most anales lets him down and means he gets a little stuck at the top of his routes. Once he unsticks, he is able to use his excellent speed and explosion to get out into the route but athletic, good processing DBs will be able to compete with him at the next level on these routes. On vertical cuts, he demonstrates excellent technique, with a smooth and fluid transition, and explosion out of the break with no mis-steps. When executing a bam step he uses an elbow jam to turn his hips and has a good head fake. He sets defenders up for these breaks very effectively and can end up with big separation downfield. He does need to exhibit more play strength at the break point, as he can struggle to clear his hands against defenders with better play strength. He doesn't sell nod and go or out and up routes particularly well and good processing DBs can stay with him.

**The Catch and after the Catch** His hands are technically excellent. He will catch everything in sight, including really high degree of difficulty catches – from diving forwards and below his knees with a contest from an in-phase DB to up high on the sideline needing to get down in bounds. He has outstanding hands on the run, he attacks targets thrown outside his frame with the proper technique. He has excellent ball tracking downfield and over his shoulder. He has ridiculous body control and adjust to different types of thrown ball, he contorts himself into the optimum position to put away the catch and there were plenty of examples of this on film at Florida this year. He is not a proficient YAC-getter but when he does, he wins with mostly speed.

#### **PROJECTION & RAVENS FIT**

**Projection** Starting receiver whose versatility will allow him to be deployed in a variety of roles, doesn't have a classic X skillset though.

Ravens Fit A fantastic fit for the Ravens, ticking all their boxes in what they look for in a receiver. The only issue being that he wouldn't round out their basketball team. However, it might be time to look past the basketball analogy for this receiver corps – the offense with Lamar Jackson at the helm is very different from a traditional NFL offense and perhaps we should be looking beyond that traditional approach to building a WR room. Pearsall is an elite athlete, with the beginnings of an excellent technical game as a separator and has elite hands. Not to mention all the dirty work he does willingly, with grit and toughness.



Outstanding processor of coverage. Really special at the catch-point with both hands and body control. Lots to work on to gain separation against the best cover CBs in man

#### **PRODUCTION**

SO: 108 Tgts, 69 Recs, 1159 Rec Yards (16.8 Ave), 9 Rec TDs FR: 68 Tgts, 41 Recs, 694 Rec Yards (16.9 Ave), 6 Rec TDs INJURY: Emergency Chest surgery ('21), ended season

#### **RAVENS FIT**

ATHLETICISM 3
INTELLIGENCE 5
VERSATILITY 5
GRIT 5
SCHEME 44

# JA'LYNN POLK

#### WR WASHINGTON 6-1 203 RS SO

#2 PERFORMANCE GRADE: 4.17 POTENTIAL GRADE: 4.33 POSITIONAL RANK: 12 ARM LENGTH: 31 3/4"//HAND SIZE: 9 3/4"//40YD: 4.52 (69%)//10YD: 1.59 (60%) VJ: 37 1/2" (86%)//BJ: 10'9" (95%)//BP: N/A (%)//SS: N/A (%)//3C: N/A (%)

Context Splits time between slot/outside in Washington's high volume passing, air raid attack.

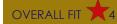
Before the Catch Washington's offense faced a high proportion of Zone defense and therefore the majority of the time, Polk was releasing against Bail or Off Coverage. In his release work, he is a master of attacking leverage, against Bail or Off, he can expertly set up his break, and take advantage of the flexibility that the offense affords him in reacting to the coverage he is seeing. He's an exceptional processor at the position and will quicky adjust his plan based on what he is seeing from the Defense. Against soft press he's able to close the space to effectively set up his release move, those moves to defeat press need to be more sudden and explosive. When he's pressed with a jam, he shows good play strength and hand timing to clear his hands and get out into his route. He's developed good technique against the quick jam. His specialty is using his processing ability to get open against Zone Coverage - just a glimmer of separation can result in a completion with him due to his work at the catch-point. The offense allows him to make adjustments to his routes and to target the open areas of the field, so when facing Zone coverage he is able to somewhat freelance and find the open space on the field. He's also expert at creating that space by attacking leverage with intelligence, manipulating Defensive Backs to leave the space for him to run into before Penix drops it in to him. When a defender is close to him at his break-point, he can utilize his play strength to subtly create space to allow the QB to target him. When he faces man coverage, his routes are precise but they aren't sudden or explosive. There are also enough signs for savvy DBs to be able to get a read on his intentions, this includes rise in his speed cuts and prematurely turning his hips. Everything he does is smooth but that isn't always conducive to getting open consistently against man coverage. On posts and corners and slants, he has good posture and runs technically good routes. He has enough speed for deep routes but he won't win with athleticism alone out of his breaks.

The Catch and after the Catch He has outstanding hands and is particularly adept at catching the ball outside his frame. He has excellent ball tracking on all types of target and his body control and adjust to the football is elite. He is able to contort himself mid-air into positions that are advantageous to allow him to catch the ball. He attacks all targets with the correct hand position and can make even catches of remarkably high difficulty like running flat out to the boundary and having to dive sideways and forwards to catch an underthrown ball, while staying in-bounds. He is a very secure set of hands. One potential area for improvement here is making sure to use his body correctly to protect the ball when facing Defensive Backs with elite ball skills, but he competes with this type of competition anyway. He is not a prolific YAC-getter, he can work intelligently with some blockers out in front but he won't run away from people or make them miss with change of direction. He is a tough, hard-nosed run blocker who will open holes on the perimeter and inside.

#### **PROJECTION & RAVENS FIT**

**Projection** Potential starting X receiver that you can win with, if you employ a scheme that features plenty of option routes and have an accurate QB.

Ravens Fit Polk is so good at something it seems the Ravens want to be better at under Monken – that's giving the weapons in the Ravens offense more rope to read defenses and make adjustments in-play. Polk is an exceptional processor at the position and attacks leverage expertly. He creates space for himself and while the Ravens offense isn't the perfect fit for him as a receiver (that would be Kansas City – and let us all cry if they get to take him in the 2<sup>nd</sup> round after picking up another good player at a different position of need in the 1<sup>st</sup>) they would make an interesting match, if the Ravens could get him in the 2<sup>nd</sup> round.



Have a plan for him, extremely dangerous weapon after the catch, athletic, tough and smart. Needs work to consistently win at the LOS and at the top of his routes

#### **PRODUCTION**

JR: 115 Tgts, 79 Recs, 985 Rec Yards (12.5 Ave), 11 Rec TDs SO: 137 Tgts, 101 Recs, 1282 Rec Yards (12.7 Ave), 11 Rec TDs INJURY: Chest injury (JR) missed 1 game

#### **RAVENS FIT**

ATHLETICISM \$\frac{1}{\pi}5\$
INTELLIGENCE \$\frac{1}{\pi}4\$
VERSATILITY \$\frac{1}{\pi}4\$
GRIT \$\frac{1}{\pi}4\$
SCHEME \$\frac{1}{\pi}4\$

# MALACHI CORLEY WR WESTERN KENTUCKY 5-11 215 JR

#11 PERFORMANCE GRADE: 4.17 POTENTIAL GRADE: 4.50 POSITIONAL RANK: 11 ARM LENGTH: 32 1/8"//HAND SIZE: 9 1/8"//40YD: 4.49 (79%)//10YD: 1.59 (60%) VJ: N/A (%)//BJ: N/A (%)//BP: N/A (%)//SS: 4.22 (71%)//3C: N/A (%)

**Context** He spends most of his time in the slot in Western Kentucky's high-volume offense that targets the slot at a high clip. He was used as an offensive weapon, in motion, in the backfield and mostly on screens.

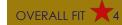
Before the Catch He's a bit of an enigma in the release portion of the route, given the speed, toughness, agaression, and lateral explosion that he shows in his YAC. The traits suggest he would be a guy that thrives at the line of scrimmage, but he doesn't put it together at the line of scrimmage and it means he struggles early in the route. When he's pressed with a jam, it's easy to identify what's holding him back, his technique with his hands is not refined - the timing and accuracy are both highly inconsistent and he can get stuck on Defensive Backs with solid play strength. He also struggles to really challenge DBs when they're in soft shoe press with his footwork and his angles. He doesn't deploy the change of direction he has when executing moves with his feet both to set up his release and when he does release. When he has to close the space to the defender, it can be obvious which way he wants to release as he drifts in that direction, giving the defender a free pass at reading his intentions. His feet are choppy and he doesn't explode away from the defender with his speed release or single move. When he faces off or bail is where he thrives the most, he's not afraid to stem right into the defender and he is a master at attacking leverage to set up his break. This mastery of attacking leverage also extends to his processing of different coverages and his locating the soft spot in the Zone quickly. He's excellent on option routes and is a QB's best friend, making small adjustments to stay open in the Zone and on broken plays. When executing routes against man coverage, his best route is the speed cut to the sideline, where he can make the transition quickly, with no rise and good posture. He also executes well on 45 degree angle breaks, especially bam steps on posts and corners – he did not run many but he sets up his break really well. On 2 step breaks for digs, deep outs etc. he can once again give away his intentions with his hips, which point in the direction he's going to go way before he's made his transition. He has good speed and so can threaten downfield on go routes. On all types of route, when facing a DB with solid play strength, he can struggle to separate at the top of his route when they get their hands on him.

**The Catch and after the Catch** He has good hands and catches the ball well outside of his frame. He can struggle to adjust to different types of ball and doesn't control his body well to ensure the optimum position for the catch. When running perpendicular to the line of scrimmage on crossing or out routes, and the ball is thrown in the strike zone he can let the ball into his body. He can also do a better job of protecting the football from defenders locked up in phase. He is a massive threat to take huge chunks of yardage after the catch. He wins with speed, change of direction, toughness, contact balance and intelligence in setting up his downfield blockers. He will run over people.

#### **PROJECTION & RAVENS FIT**

**Projection** Have a plan for him – should involve touches in different ways including out of the backfield, on bubble screens and used in motion a lot. Needs a lot of development to make it as a receiver that plays every snap.

**Ravens Fit** The Ravens lost Devin Duvernay in free agency and so they might be on the lookout for a new offensive weapon to deploy in different ways. Corley is a dangerous receiver with the ball in his hands and a home run threat. He's tough and intelligent, likely fitting the bill on several marks. However, I don't think the Ravens are looking to replace the Duvernay type in the Monken offense. They have a challenge of how to get all their weapons on the field at once, adding Corley feels like adding a headache of how to get him touches.



Played in a very run-heavy offense, has a competitive yards per route run stat line. Great athleticism, good with potential to be great separator, good hands. Lots of technical elements to work on

#### **PRODUCTION**

SR: 67 Tgts, 48 Recs, 789 Rec Yards (16.4 Ave), 12 Rec TDs JR: 37 Tgts, 25 Recs, 376 Rec Yards (15.0 Ave), 4 Rec TDs INJURY: Broken Hand ('21) Concussion ('22)

#### **RAVENS FIT**

ATHLETICISM \$\frac{1}{2}\$
INTELLIGENCE \$\frac{1}{2}\$
VERSATILITY \$\frac{1}{3}\$
GRIT \$\frac{1}{4}\$
SCHEME \$\frac{1}{3}\$

# ROMAN WILSON

#### **WR** MICHIGAN **5-10 185** SR

#1 PERFORMANCE GRADE: 3.92 POTENTIAL GRADE: 4.33 POSITIONAL RANK: 15 ARM LENGTH: 30 3/8"//HAND SIZE: 9 3/8"//40YD: 4.39 (96%)//10YD: 1.51 (96%) VJ: N/A (%)//BJ: N/A (%)//BP: 12 (46%)//SS: 4.07 (94%)//3C: 6.89 (79%)

**Context** Plays mostly the Z and some slot in the run heavy Michigan offense, they use him in motion a lot, including pre-snap and at the snap.

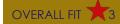
Before the Catch When he is jammed at the line of scrimmage, he has trouble clearing his hands. He has poor technique and does not have a lot of moves to use with his hands. His hands are not well timed or accurate to fight through the jam and he can get stuck on the defender or allow the defender to get multiple shots at him near the line of scrimmage. When he's pressed without a jam, he can close the space to the defender effectively, most often with a foot fire, but his speed release or single move is not as explosive as other parts of his game are. His feet can get a little stuck in the release and his first step is not as quick as his second, which is not as quick as his third. Against off or bail, he eats up the cushion quickly but he doesn't routinely attack leverage and set up his breaks well. He doesn't see quick jams coming and doesn't use good technique to defeat them. His stem is inconsistent depending on which route he's running. If he's running a route that calls for a speed cut on a quick out for instance, he doesn't attack the route full speed to give more suddenness to his break, savvy DBs can read this and break with him, keeping him in phase. He does this on hitch routes too. On his vertical cuts, he executes a technically proficient break. He has great posture, executes an elbow jam to make the turn and snaps his head around for the football. He also showcases his best attribute for separation, acceleration out of the break. You can see this too on nod and go routes, where he has another gear to blow past defenders who have even shown the slightest interest in biting on the double move. His explosion is evident when he executes a 2-step break, decelerating from high speed on deep comebacks as he can sink his weight and stops instantaneously. Could have a better feel when attacking Zone coverage, especially when trying to find the soft spots behind a heavy underneath zone. He will do better in intermediate areas of the field with this but he doesn't process types of coverage quickly. He does not separate with play strenath but he can subtly lean into an in-phase defender at the break and create some separation to allow for a target just after the top of his route.

**The Catch and after the Catch** He has good hands, excellent adjustments made with his hands as he runs across the field on crossing routes. He brings his hands together early on all types of catch and catches the ball outside his frame. He can also adjust his body well to underthrown balls and those balls thrown above his head. He can adjust on the sideline to get feet in bounds but it isn't consistent. Excellent speed for YAC but he isn't prolific, will win with speed and angles but little else.

#### **PROJECTION & RAVENS FIT**

**Projection** Potential starting Z receiver, best fit in an offense can use him in motion at the snap and get him in stack formations so that you minimize how much he has to release from the LOS. Needs a dominant X across from him to ensure he doesn't face the big, elite CB each week.

Ravens Fit Wilson's projection is detailed because there are very specific circumstances where he could be successful in the league and I don't believe the Ravens fit the bill. He's plenty athletic, and explosive, with grit and toughness in spades. However, he's too similar in terms of the role he needs to play to what the Ravens already have, and crucially, there isn't a dominant X to play across from him to help him in his release, which needs work.



Play strength to release and get open at top of his routes, wins with processing and technique in route running. Enough athleticism and very good hands, some technical aspects need work

#### **PRODUCTION**

SR: 84 Tgts, 52 Recs, 1139 Rec Yards (21.9 Ave), 7 Rec TDs JR: 100 Tgts, 56 Recs, 796 Rec Yards (14.2 Ave), 5 Rec TDs

INJURY: None

#### **RAVENS FIT**

ATHLETICISM \$\frac{1}{3}\$

INTELLIGENCE \$\frac{1}{5}\$

VERSATILITY \$\frac{1}{4}\$

GRIT \$\frac{1}{4}\$

SCHEME \$\frac{1}{4}\$

## JAVON BAKER

WR UCF 6-1 202 SR

#1 PERFORMANCE GRADE: 4.17 POTENTIAL GRADE: 4.25 POSITIONAL RANK: 14 ARM LENGTH: 32 1/4"//HAND SIZE: 9 5/8"//40YD: 4.54 (64%)//10YD: 1.58 (67%) VJ: 37" (82%)//BJ: 10'1" (64%)//BP: N/A (%)//SS: N/A (%)//3C: N/A (%)

Context Plays mostly outside as the X receiver, doesn't run some routes all that much.

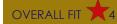
Before the Catch He is good in the release portion of the route, mostly due to his technique and therefore play strength when facing physical CBs who will jam him at the line of scrimmage. When he is jammed he shows excellent patience and waits for the DB to overcommit before timing his own work with his hands perfectly, with an accurate swipe to clear his hands and get into the route. He closes the space well to soft press and attacks leverage both in press, off and bail. In all of these releases though he could attack leverage deeper, especially in bail or off, to better set up his break. His footwork in his release is solid, with his double move being effective in getting the DB off-balance but he doesn't consistently sell his single move and his speed release doesn't have enough juice to put the defender in trail immediately. When he does get out into the route, he uses processing, technique and play strength to separate. On hard angle breaks like hitches and comebacks he's able to snap off his acceleration, drop his weight and turn with excellent hip mobility, allowing him to stop in a very short distance and his consistent stem means he doesn't give advance warning of the break to the defender. On vertical cuts, it's a mixed bag, when running slants he can bow his route on the exit from the break, coming out at an angle that isn't acute enough for the route, which allows the DB back into the rep if he has managed to gain some separation going into the break. His approach to the break on vertical cuts for slants or posts is technically good, he uses an elbow jam to help him turn his hips and he attacks leverage deep enough into the DB to cause issues. On corner routes, he does this too but his stem can drift a little in the direction the route is going to take. On square cuts for deep outs or digs, he still has an excellent brake step but he also adds an elite drive step which allows him to very quickly get perpendicular to the line of scrimmage. When he runs go routes, he has enough speed and savvy to get separation deep against CBs with solid athleticism but needs to turn his head earlier to locate the football. He shows a great ability to manipulate DBs' hips prior to the break, getting them turned the wrong way. He also sets up DBs for different types of breaks, for instance running a dig after running a hitch the previous play and making the break for the dig look like the hitch.

**The Catch and after the Catch** He has very good hands and adjusts his hands into position well for all types of catch. He catches the ball away from his body at all times and has a good size catch radius. The only times you can see inconsistency are in his adjustment to balls he needs to leap for, he can jump too early or too late – he does often seem to come down with the ball so it doesn't affect him too much but it can scupper his excellent hand positioning at times. He also won't always catch the ball over his shoulder, diving forwards for it, but these are all high degree of difficulty catches. He adjusts his body well on the whole, especially on the sideline. Wins YAC with angles and can shake some tackles but not prolific.

#### **PROJECTION & RAVENS FIT**

**Projection** With some refinement on some of his routes, Baker can be a low-end starter at the X position in the league, will be scheme diverse.

Ravens Fit The Ravens are looking for a dominant X-type receiver and Baker is a potential starter at X albeit without the dominant traits the Ravens are necessarily looking for. He has starter potential. He doesn't add to the track meet WR room that the Ravens seem to want to build but he does add a new skillset to the room, the only caveat to this is that he would likely be insurance for another Bateman dud year – as they will likely fill a similar role in the offense, so he won't start immediately in Baltimore as the Ravens will give Bateman one final chance to shine. But the Ravens don't shy away from filling future holes.



Deadly in release if he isn't jammed. Separates with elite processing and technique in most routes, great hands. Has small technical flaws to work on and needs to increase play strength

#### **PRODUCTION**

JR: 63 Tgts, 45 Recs, 553 Rec Yards (12.3 Ave), 5 Rec TDs SO: 118 Tgts, 79 Recs, 1098 Rec Yards (13.9 Ave), 9 Rec TDs INJURY: Knee injury (missed 2 games and limited) JR

#### **RAVENS FIT**

ATHLETICISM \$\frac{1}{4}\$
INTELLIGENCE \$\frac{1}{4}\$
VERSATILITY \$\frac{1}{2}\$
GRIT \$\frac{1}{4}\$
SCHEME \$\frac{1}{5}\$

# JALEN MCMILLAN

#### WR WASHINGTON 6-1 202 JR

#11 PERFORMANCE GRADE: 4.25 POTENTIAL GRADE: 4.50 POSITIONAL RANK: 6 ARM LENGTH: 32 1/8"//HAND SIZE: 10"//40YD: 4.47 (83%)//10YD: 1.62 (40%) VJ: 37" (82%)//BJ: 10'7" (91%)//BP: N/A (%)//SS: 4.18 (80%)//3C: 6.94 (72%)

Context Plays the slot in Washington's high volume passing attack.

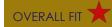
Before the Catch He is deadly off the line of scrimmage if you don't get a jam on him. In soft press, or catch man, he has a varied release package, he can close the space to the DB in a variety of different ways, all of them squaring up the DB before executing his release. His most dangerous weapon is his double move where he is able to release whichever way he wants and very quickly gain several yards of separation, this is most effective on shorter routes that call for an earlier break. He also uses a single move and speed release to keep the defender honest and not over-reacting to his main move. In these situations, he also attacks leverage expertly, which is something he does against off and bail coverage too, he really is proficient in manipulating defenders in his release and his stem. If he does happen to be jammed at the line of scrimmage, which he wasn't often in college, he would struggle to release cleanly as he doesn't have the technique with his hands and therefore play strength to clear his hands and get detached from the defender. He will allow the defender to stay in phase through the first portion of the route. He also has this deficiency at the break-point if he stems too close to the DB, if they have solid play strength they can use it to prevent separation at the top of the route. Also, when his stem goes through a heavy underneath zone and the LB makes it his business to re-route him, he can be sent off course and have the timing of his route disrupted by an easy bump that doesn't compromise the LB's zone. Where he does separate is with his processing and technique which is outstanding against Man coverage. On hitch routes, he snaps off acceleration suddenly, drops his weight and immediately gains separation, on deep comebacks, he also sinks his hips well but he takes too many steps at the top of his route to stop, letting the DB back into the route. On speed cuts he can take a little too long to make the full transition but his acceleration out of the break allows him to get and stay open. He has good speed but can't consistently blow by defenders on straight go routes. His specialty is vertical cuts on slants and posts or corners where he attacks leverage, gets the defender to turn his hips the wrong way frequently, is compact, has excellent posture and good explosion into another gear after the break. He's technically excellent on double moves. For all routes his stem is exceptional and it gives him a chance to compete even in the scenarios just mentioned where he might need some improvement. He could also get open more frequently vs Zone if he made subtle adjustments to his positioning.

**The Catch and after the Catch** He attacks all targets exceptionally well and has textbook hand positioning, except on balls thrown behind him over the middle of the field when he doesn't adjust his hands quickly enough to be consistent catching the football. He's a good ball tracker downfield and can win in contested situations, mostly down to his body control and adjust to the football, this is also good on the sideline to get feet down in-bounds. He can win with YAC due to speed, elusiveness with a great spin move and contact balance.

#### **PROJECTION & RAVENS FIT**

**Projection** Starting big slot at the next level on a team with pre-snap motion to scheme him a free release. If he works on play strength and releasing against a jam then he could be versatile enough to play outside more often.

Ravens Fit I love the fit of McMillan with the Ravens. The down final year due to injury might lead some to overlook him allowing the Ravens to get him at a discount. He is plenty athletic but the way he separates with technique and processing; the Ravens don't have someone specializing in that. He separates so well when executing any kind of space release that he would be a valuable outlet for Lamar when he isn't jammed, getting open quickly. He can contribute early and potentially develop into a nice complement to Flowers long term.





# TIGHT ENDS

If Ravens fans are obsessed with Wide Receivers, the Front Office might be obsessed with the Tight End position. Having said that, it Is HIGHLY unlikely that the Ravens spend even a later round pick on a Tight End in this class.

In spite of this, I offer evaluations on Brock Bowers and Ja'Tavion Sanders, the consensus top Tight Ends in the class. One thing I would say, having evaluated him, Bowers is a receiver, not a Tight End. If he makes it to the end of the 1st round, which he almost certainly won't, the Ravens could consider putting him in the Wide Receiver room.

Current Spending: 7.56% of Cap//Ranks 7<sup>th</sup> in the NFL Returning Players: Mark Andrews, Isaiah Likely, Charlie Kolar

Tight End Rankings: (Perf = Performance, Pot = Potential)

Name	Pos	School	Total Perf	Total Pot
Brock Bowers	TE	Georgia	5.00	5.17
Ja'Tavion Sanders	TE	Texas	3.42	4.00

Detailed Core Criteria Grading (Core Criteria applies to all positions):

		CORE CRITERIA									
	Athletic Ability	Mental processing	Competitive Toughness	Game IQ	Scheme Fit	Play Speed	Play Strength				
Name	Perf	Perf	Perf	Perf	Perf	Perf	Perf				
Brock Bowers	6	5	6	5	5	6	4				
Ja'Tavion Sanders	5	4	3	4	3	4	4				

Detailed Tight End Criteria Grading (Position Criteria applies to TEs only)

		TE CRITERIA										
	Zone / Space	Block		Gap Block	Hands / Adjust	/ A I Bo infr		Separation Quickness / Find Seam		Yards Affer Catch (YAC)		
Name	Perf	Pot	Perf	Pot	Perf	Pot	Perf	Pot	Perf	Pot		
Brock Bowers	5	5	4	4	3	4	5	6	6	6		
Ja'Tavion Sanders	2	3	2	3	3	4	3	5	4	5		

NFL ready receiving weapon who could be deployed creatively. Scary speed and explosion for his size, good blocking, potential for better. Deficiency with hands on over-the-shoulder targets

#### **PRODUCTION**

JR: 71 Tgts, 56 Recs, 717 Rec Yards (12.8 Ave), 6 Rec TDs SO: 82 Tgts, 63 Recs, 942 Rec Yards (15.0 Ave), 7 Rec TDs INJURY: Left Ankle Surgery (JR) Missed 2 games

#### **RAVENS FIT**

ATHLETICISM \$\square\$5
INTELLIGENCE \$\square\$4
VERSATILITY \$\square\$5
GRIT \$\square\$5
SCHEME \$\square\$4

# **BROCK BOWERS**

TE GEORGIA 6-3 243 JR

#19 PERFORMANCE GRADE: 5.00 POTENTIAL GRADE: 5.17 POSITIONAL RANK: 1 ARM LENGTH: 32 3/4"//HAND SIZE: 9 3/4"//40YD: N/A (%)//10YD: N/A (%) VJ: N/A (%)//BJ: N/A (%)//BP: N/A (%)//SS: N/A (%)//3C: N/A (%)

**Context** Lines up all over the formation for Georgia as a weapon, including playing the QB in the wildcat but he most often lines up as a Wing.

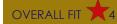
Receiving He wins off the line of scrimmage with his athletic ability and play strength, he can beat press with a jam by using his hand placement and aggression to shake clear of defenders, he can beat soft press because his foot speed and acceleration are so good for his size. Against off coverage he can quickly close the cushion and get into his route. He is explosive off the line and is particularly adept at faking to block before releasing into his route. The stem portion of his route is remarkably consistent and it sets up the break point for him against all types of coverage defender. He attacks vertically but can use his explosion to break this off and run all types of route with good technique. He's able to make square cuts to get perpendicular to the line of scrimmage efficiently and is explosive out of his break. He attacks up the seam well and can threaten even more athletic defenders vertically. He is a good processor and reads coverage well – he feels for the soft spot in Zone coverage and can find even the smallest weak spots to settle and make a catch. He brings his hands together well for stationary targets and on throws where he isn't disturbed by tight man coverage. In space he brings down balls well and positions his body well to box out defenders and is physically tough, always bracing for impact and absorbing big hits at the catch point. When on the run and with a defender close in phase, he can be inconsistent with his hand placement for the catch, this shows up particularly on over the shoulder targets where he can use the incorrect hand placement to ensure the best chance of reeling in the target. This can show up on contested targets when he's on the run but is most prevalent on vertical routes. He is a consistent YAC threat and with scary speed and change of direction for his size in the open field. He also wins in the YAC stakes with his play strength, toughness and aggression - running through arm tackles and pulling defenders with him for extra yardage.

**Blocking** A little bit of an enigma as a blocker and tough to work out where you can expect him to excel and where you can expect him to struggle but on the whole, a good blocker and NFL-ready. You can put his play strength up there next to even bigger Linebackers and smaller Defensive Ends. As a Gap blocker, he can work well in Down blocks, even against a 4i, when there are multiple pullers running outside him and the Defensive Lineman has to read more traffic before getting upfield. He can also be successful on Trey blocks where he is the Drive man and releases to the second level – getting a good hit at the LOS before locating well in space, with excellent fit and finish. He will generally fit and finish well in space against more nimble defenders, often using his competitive toughness to drive guys off the ball. When he's trying to pin inside as a stretch blocker or needing to Gap block against stronger Defensive Linemen, he will be unable to finish due to his play strength.

#### **PROJECTION & RAVENS FIT**

**Projection** Likely scheme diverse starting TE but will be best utilized by the creative play-caller as an offensive weapon.

Ravens Fit Bowers is as tough as they come and his blocking ability day one resembles a Ravens Tight End. A guy who will very unlikely be there for the Ravens and the deficiency with his hands may give them pause as they've been reluctant to take guys with issues with their hands for the pass-catching corps since being burnt by a few guys. The Tight End room is over-crowded as it is so it's only fun to do this as an exercise, not something for reality, however his athleticism would be a scary prospect in this offense – Monken, who had Bowers at Georgia, would cook something special up with him.



Athletically gifted guy with good play strength to separate and finds the soft spot in the Zone well. Has some deficiencies to correct in his breaks, has major issues as a blocker

#### **PRODUCTION**

JR: 67 Tgts, 45 Recs, 682 Rec Yards (15.2 Ave), 2 Rec TDs SO: 72 Tgts, 54 Recs, 613 Rec Yards (11.4 Ave), 5 Rec TDs

INJURY: None

#### **RAVENS FIT**

ATHLETICISM \$\frac{1}{4}\$
INTELLIGENCE \$\frac{1}{4}\$
VERSATILITY \$\frac{1}{3}\$
GRIT \$\frac{1}{2}\$
SCHEME \$\frac{1}{3}\$

# JA'TAVION SANDERS

**TE** TEXAS **6-3 245** JR

#0 PERFORMANCE GRADE: 3.42 POTENTIAL GRADE: 4.00 POSITIONAL RANK: 2 ARM LENGTH: 32 7/8"//HAND SIZE: 10 1/8"//40YD: 4.69 (83%)//10YD: 1.60 (92%) VJ: 30" (29%)//BJ: 9'6" (54%)//BP: 8 (2%)//SS: 4.32 (78%)//3C: N/A (%)

Context Lines up all over the formation but mostly as an in-line TE or in the backfield.

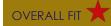
Receiving Has a nice release from the line of scrimmage when in-line, he's able to disguise himself as a blocker when he needs to, he's also able to release through linebackers and stay on his path when working through the underneath zone in the middle of the field. He has enough play strength to defeat press with a jam, and has a good package to draw upon, especially with his hands to ensure good variety to his release. When he gets out into the route there are some deficiencies technically with some of his breaks. He slows down in his stem to ready himself for the break on hard angle breaks like deep comebacks or hitches. When he does turn 180 degrees, he needs some deceleration time and it tips off the defender covering him to his intentions. He has some limits to hip mobility so when he's executing breaks that call for a 90 degree angle he can take too many steps vertically to transition to perpendicular to the line of scrimmage, making it far easier on the defender to stay in the rep, despite his explosion and acceleration. He is a twitchy, explosive guy with really good speed for the position, so he eats up cushion on go routes up the seam quickly enough get behind the underneath Zone and get targeted. He has good posture on the whole on vertical cuts but when making the break, his feet can be quite wide, which will stop him manipulating defenders' hips at the next level. He gets open against Zone coverage as he's adept at finding the soft spots in the Zone. He separates against man coverage, mostly with play strength. He gets into a defender, the strongest can compete with him and stay in phase, and then extends away from them on slants, digs, outs. He will use his hands to clear the defender and get open in the first few yards after his break. In terms of catching the football, he does well when the ball is thrown directly at him while stationary, as with balls thrown with touch over his shoulder. Where he has some trouble is when he's perpendicular to the line of scrimmage and the ball is thrown outside his frame. The further outside his frame the ball reaches him, the more likely he is to have brought his hands together from further apart to make the catch at the last second, he must start attacking those targets correctly to make it as a regular contributor at the next level. He does get YAC, with his speed, he is able to run away from lots of types of defenders, including LBs and Safeties. He can also win with play strength and has a good stiff-arm that he hasn't been able to use too frequently.

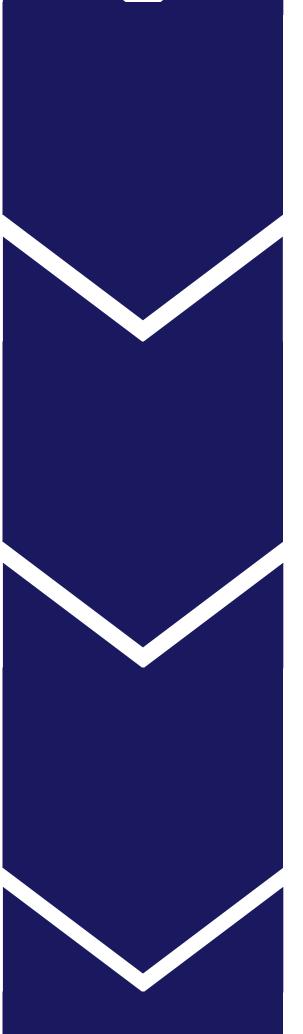
**Blocking** Not exactly what you would call a physical blocker. On most Gap blocks, his hand placement is far too high and his timing is poor so he gets stood up and controlled at the point of attack. He positions well for Gap blocks but doesn't fit the block well enough for it be functional and he doesn't have the play strength to hold up. He positions well as a space blocker but his fit still leaves something to be desired and it means defenders can escape his clutches. Struggles to reach block effectively to a 7 technique when on the backside facing Outside Zone. Good on double teams, he can takeover the block at the LOS effectively.

#### **PROJECTION & RAVENS FIT**

**Projection** Will start as a move TE that you use a matchup weapon until he does the significant work needed to improve his blocking to be a more well rounded player at the position.

Ravens Fit Very little chance the Ravens add to their already talented room and while Sanders is an intriguing project, I'd be surprised if he was a Raven even if they did consider adding another Tight End. The Ravens have shown that they are not averse to working with those TEs that need work on their blocking. But, Sanders is so far away in that regard and also doesn't show a particular aggression as a blocker that you feel you can work with. He's got serious potential as a receiver, but the Ravens will stick with what they have, I think.





# OFFENSIVE LINE

Easily the most glaring need on the roster, the Ravens are likely to be looking for multiple Offensive Linemen in this Draft to fill multiple holes. You can count on at least two picks on the OL, as the Front Office have made clear that they are looking to get younger at the position.

They're looking for outside and inside help, with the ideal being a versatile guy who might be a long-term heir to Ronnie Stanley. I've split the rankings based on who I have as a better fit as an OT, and who I have as a better fit at iOL, that doesn't mean they aren't versatile, read the reports in the chapter for my thoughts on that.

Current Spending: 13.74% of Cap//Ranks 23<sup>rd</sup> in the NFL Returning Players: Ronnie Stanley, Tyler Linderbaum, Patrick Mekari, Josh Jones, Ben Cleveland, Daniel Faalele, Malaesala Aumavae-Laulu, Andrew Vorhees, Tykeem Doss, Tashawn Manning

Offensive Tackle Rankings: (Perf = Performance, Pot = Potential)

Name	School	Total Perf	Total Pot
Joe Alt	Notre Dame	5.17	5.33
Olu Fashanu	Penn State	5.08	5.33
Troy Fautanu	Washington	4.67	4.92
Amarius Mims	Georgia	4.67	4.83
JC Latham	Alabama	4.58	4.83
Blake Fisher	Notre Dame	4.17	4.25
Tyler Guyton	Oklahoma	4.00	4.42
Roger Rosengarten	Washington	3.83	4.17
Kiran Amegadjie	Yale	3.75	4.08
Kingsley Suamataia	BYU	3.58	4.00
Patrick Paul	Houston	3.00	3.58

Interior Offensive Line Rankings: (Perf = Performance, Pot = Potential)

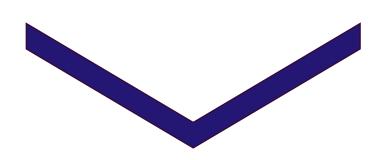
Name	School	Total Perf	Total Pot
Taliese Fuaga	Oregon State	5.00	5.25
Graham Barton	Duke	4.58	4.67
J. Powers-Johnson	Oregon	4.58	4.67
Brandon Coleman	TCU	4.42	4.58
Dominick Puni	Kansas	4.42	4.50
Cooper Bebee	Kansas State	4.33	4.50
Zach Frazier	West Virginia	4.17	4.33
Jordan Morgan	Arizona	3.92	4.33
Christian Haynes	Uconn	3.75	4.00



			COF	E CRIT	ERIA		
	Athletic Ability	Mental processing	Competitive Toughness	Game IQ	Scheme Fit	Play Speed	Play Strength
Name	Perf	Perf	Perf	Perf	Perf	Perf	Perf
Joe Alt	6	5	5	5	5	6	5
Olu Fashanu	6	6	4	5	5	6	5
Troy Fautanu	6	4	4	4	5	6	5
Amarius Mims	4	5	4	4	6	4	5
JC Latham	5	5	5	4	4	5	5
Blake Fisher	4	4	4	4	4	4	4
Tyler Guyton	5	4	4	4	4	4	4
Roger Rosengarten	5	4	5	4	4	5	4
Kiran Amegadjie	4	3	3	3	3	4	4
Kingsley Suamataia	4	3	3	3	5	4	4
Patrick Paul	5	3	2	4	2	3	3

OT Detailed Offensive Line Criteria Grading (Position Criteria applies to OL only)

		OL CRITERIA										
	Use of Hands	Use of Hands (UoH)		Gap Block		Zone / Space Block		Pass Pro		Anchor		
Name	Perf	Pot	Perf	Pot	Perf	Pot	Perf	Pot	Perf	Pot		
Joe Alt	5	5	4	5	5	6	6	6	5	5		
Olu Fashanu	5	5	4	5	5	6	6	6	4	5		
Troy Fautanu	5	5	3	4	4	5	5	6	5	5		
Amarius Mims	5	5	5	5	3	4	5	6	6	6		
JC Latham	6	6	2	3	3	4	6	6	5	6		
Blake Fisher	6	6	3	4	3	3	5	5	5	5		
Tyler Guyton	3	5	4	5	3	4	4	5	5	5		
Roger Rosengarten	3	4	2	3	4	4	3	4	3	4		
Kiran Amegadjie	4	5	5	6	3	4	4	5	5	5		
Kingsley Suamataia	3	4	5	5	3	4	3	5	3	4		
Patrick Paul	2	4	2	4	1	3	4	5	5	5		

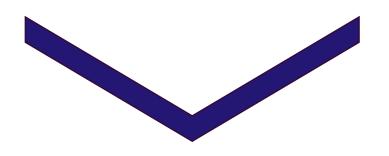




			COR	RE CRIT	ERIA		
	Athletic Ability	Mental processing	Competitive Toughness	Game IQ	Scheme Fit	Play Speed	Play Strength
Name	Perf	Perf	Perf	Perf	Perf	Perf	Perf
Taliese Fuaga	5	5	6	5	6	5	5
Graham Barton	5	5	6	4	5	4	5
J. Powers-Johnson	4	4	5	4	5	4	5
Brandon Coleman	5	4	6	4	6	4	5
Dominick Puni	4	4	4	4	6	5	5
Cooper Bebee	5	4	5	4	4	4	5
Zach Frazier	5	4	5	4	3	5	4
Jordan Morgan	6	3	3	4	4	6	3
Christian Haynes	4	4	5	4	3	4	4

iOL Detailed Offensive Line Criteria Grading (Position Criteria applies to OL only)

	OL CRITERIA									
	Use of Hands (UoH)		Gap Block		Zone / Space Block		Pass Pro		Anchor	
Name	Perf	Pot	Perf	Pot	Perf	Pot	Perf	Pot	Perf	Pot
Taliese Fuaga	4	5	6	6	4	5	4	5	5	5
Graham Barton	4	4	5	5	3	4	4	4	5	5
J. Powers-Johnson	5	5	4	5	4	4	6	6	5	5
Brandon Coleman	3	4	4	4	4	4	3	4	5	5
Dominick Puni	4	5	4	4	4	4	4	4	5	5
Cooper Bebee	4	5	5	5	3	4	4	4	5	5
Zach Frazier	5	5	2	3	4	5	4	4	5	5
Jordan Morgan	3	5	3	4	4	5	5	5	3	4
Christian Haynes	3	4	3	4	4	4	3	4	4	4





Left Tackle feet and the hips to deal with all types of rushers. Good hands too but some detail deficiencies in his pass pro. Run blocking is rare on tape and a work in progress

#### **PRODUCTION**

JR: 984 Snaps at Left Tackle SO: 890 Snaps at Left Tackle, 52 Snaps at Left Guard

INJURY: None

#### **RAVENS FIT**

ATHLETICISM \$5
INTELLIGENCE \$4
VERSATILITY \$3
GRIT \$4
SCHEME \$4

# TROY FAUTANU

#### OT WASHINGTON 6-3 317 JR

#55 PERFORMANCE GRADE: 4.67 POTENTIAL GRADE: 4.92 POSITIONAL RANK: 3 ARM LENGTH: 34 1/2"//HAND SIZE: 9 1/2"//40YD: 5.01 (94%)//10YD: 1.70 (97%) VJ: 32 1/2" (95%)//BJ: 9'5" (96%)//BP: 29 (91%)//SS: N/A (%)//3C: N/A (%)

Pass Blocking Explosive out of his stance whether it's jump, 45 or vertical sets. He is an outstanding mover at the Tackle position, he is very efficient and maintains exceptional ground reactionary force and therefore leverage and play strength. Has outstanding foot speed and his hip mobility ensures he maintains the half-man relationship and always plays with great leverage. There are instances where he doesn't manage to maintain the half-man relationship and it does cause some issues for him in pass protection. Rushers who are very athletic with excellent change of direction, or, rushers who are very powerful with outstanding play strength, when combined with a good rush plan, can cause him to over-set mostly in 45 sets which opens up his inside. Rushers with a really good plan can then use this success to open up the outside on subsequent snaps. Given how efficient his feet are, it feels like a deficiency he can rectify but it does show up on tape, regularly enough to note. He also often appears more comfortable out on an island without TE help. Strangely for an Offensive Linemen, he's more comfortable when rushers come from further away – he deals consistently well with wide 9 techniques, he's a good processor so deals with stunts and blitzers effectively too. His hand usage is also good – he most consistently wins reps with an inside strike that allows him to control the DL with his outside hand but he can also be effective with his outside strike which has great placement, timing and grip strength. He's also good with a two-handed strike but there are times against quicker rushers when this isn't always as well timed as his independent hands work. He's also a good hand fighter and can re-engage when in trouble, he's excellent against any kind of swipe or chop move as he's accurate with his hands and remains patient as well as deploying an effective ghost hand. Because of his play strength, he has an excellent anchor.

**Run Blocking** He has had remarkably little experience as a run blocker in Washington's scheme so this is more of a projection that his pass protection. As a gap blocker he's far more effective when he has an advantageous angle to work with like down blocking a 3 tech, this is because his fit as a run blocker has some issues – his hand placement is off, and it negates his ability to consistently finish. He is a good puller due to his foot speed; it allows him to get into close quarters with defenders who don't see the block coming. When he has to block a 4i or 5 technique straight up, he can lose the point of attack against defensive linemen with good play strength. As a Zone/Space blocker there is more potential because of his foot speed and hip mobility but he's inconsistent – he can reach block a 4i but can't with a 3 tech, again because of his struggle to fit the block. He has plenty of competitive toughness and nasty to him and his athletic ability allows him to make second level blocks functional but his technique is not there yet.

#### **PROJECTION & RAVENS FIT**

**Projection** Solid starting Left Tackle in a pass-heavy offense, will need time to develop in a more run-heavy offense and will likely fit a heavier Zone scheme.

Ravens Fit His feet and hips are outstanding, and he has a remarkably good anchor due to the leverage he consistently deploys. This means he likely is versatile and could move inside as a pass protector. But for the Ravens he is nowhere near developed enough as a run blocker to be a scheme fit. He would need time to develop his technique and would likely never quite have the power the Ravens covet in their Offensive Linemen. He could be an apprentice to Ronnie Stanley if Stanley is close to retiring as he has Left Tackle feet but Stanley would need to stick around one more year so he could redshirt.



Overwhelming upper body strength and elite hand usage mean he is very effective in pass protection and rarely beaten. Solid as a run blocker, though mostly Zone currently

#### **PRODUCTION**

JR: 829 Snaps at Center SO: 350 Snaps at Right Guard, 44 Snaps at Center

INJURY: None

#### RAVENS FIT

ATHLETICISM \$\frac{1}{3}\$
INTELLIGENCE \$\frac{1}{4}\$
VERSATILITY \$\frac{1}{4}\$
GRIT \$\frac{1}{5}\$
SCHEME \$\frac{1}{4}\$

# JACKSON POWERS-JOHNSON IOL OREGON 6-3 328 JR

#58 PERFORMANCE GRADE: 4.58 POTENTIAL GRADE: 4.67 POSITIONAL RANK: 3 ARM LENGTH: 32 1/4"//HAND SIZE: 9 7/8"//40YD: N/A (%)//10YD: N/A (%) VJ: 32" (95%)//BJ: 8'8" (71%)//BP: 30 (89%)//SS: N/A (%)//3C: N/A (%)

Pass Blocking He wins as a pass blocker because of his upper body strength and hand usage, both of which are very good. He is comfortable in both 45 and vertical sets and he maintains the half-man relationship, but against quicker rushers, his feet are more choppy than you would like - he doesn't slide as efficiently and it can compromise his base. However even in these scenarios, his hand usage comes in to save the rep. The timing in his punch is good and his placement is excellent, especially when working with independent hands. He tends to use his right hand to latch onto the blocker – the right hand is more effective as his outside hand, when sliding right but it is still effective as an inside hand. He's then able to use his free left hand to hand-fight and counter to great effect. He's particularly adept at dealing with inside moves using both outside and inside hands, and it's rare that a pass rusher is able to use any kind of hand move to disengage from him and clear their hands – any chop, rip or swim is easily swatted away by him. Some of the more elite interior rushers in the NFL with a great rush plan and athleticism combined with power may be able to take advantage of his feet to get him off-balance but he also has good recovery skills so he will win his fair share of battles with this type of interior lineman. He has good mental processing and quickly identifies his responsibility, except with second level blitzers who can take him by surprise when the defense brings more than the OL can block – he can try to do too much. He keeps a solid base from which to operate, and he has a good anchor against even bigger defenders. He resets and re-anchors well when compromised and generally gets himself well positioned to take advantage of his core strength and grip strength.

Run Blocking Oregon's scheme is overwhelmingly Zone-based so some of the assumptions about his Gap blocking are not based on a big sample size. But as a Gap blocker it looks as though he could be a dominant force with more reps – there are some technical deficiencies, such as his fit on down blocks against bigger 2 or 3 techniques, his hand placement leaves the DL able to turn him and make a play. On drive blocks or in DBLs, he's able to use his remarkable upper body strength to win emphatically. He has a nasty and competitive streak that shows itself in the run game – there is a power and violence in his hands where he seems to want to ragdoll the defender on every block. As a space/zone blocker, he's effective as the Drive or Post man when moving to the second level, in helping at the LOS but also in locating and finishing on the second level defender. He brings his feet with him and while his hand placement is not always consistent on smaller, more nimble defenders, his size and his upper body strength can overwhelm. Where he could develop further as a Zone blocker is with his hip mobility which prevents him from taking over doubles effectively and means he isn't always able to reach block consistently on 2 or 3 techniques.

#### **PROJECTION & RAVENS FIT**

**Projection** Starting Center but could likely also play Right Guard. Will currently best fit in a Zone-based scheme but he is likely scheme diverse once he has more reps in a heavier Gap scheme – may even be his best fit at the next level.

Ravens Fit The issue with Powers-Johnson for the Ravens is that they are most likely looking to upgrade at Left Guard, he will be a good Center and will play best in pass protection on the right side due to his slight right hand outside strike preference. He's an ideal fit for the Ravens in their running scheme which is now much more multiple after moving on from Roman but still calls for more than their fair share of Gap blocking. Powers-Johnson hasn't done much of this but is more naturally suited to it and has honed his skills as a Zone blocker.



Huge RT with remarkable athleticism for his size, elite strength and hand usage – all make for a potentially elite pass protector, big boy run blocker, some limitations in Zone schemes

#### **PRODUCTION**

JR: 297 Snaps at Right Tackle SO: 383 Snaps at Right Tackle INJURY: Tightrope Right Ankle Surgery (JR) Missed 6 Games Re-aggravated injury

#### RAVENS FIT

ATHLETICISM \$\frac{1}{2}5\$

INTELLIGENCE \$\frac{1}{2}5\$

VERSATILITY \$\frac{1}{2}3\$

GRIT \$\frac{1}{2}4\$

SCHEME \$\frac{1}{2}5\$

# AMARIUS MIMS

OT GEORGIA 6-7 340 JR

#65 PERFORMANCE GRADE: 4.67 POTENTIAL GRADE: 4.83 POSITIONAL RANK: 4 ARM LENGTH: 36 1/8"//HAND SIZE: 11 1/4"//40YD: 5.07 (89%)//10YD: 1.77 (84%) VJ: 25 1/2" (29%)//BJ: 9'3" (90%)//BP: N/A (%)//SS: N/A (%)//3C: N/A (%)

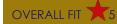
Pass Blocking Mammoth Right Tackle prospect who moves well for his size in pass protection and utilizes his play strength to win consistently as a pass protector. In vertical, 45 and jump sets, he displays outstanding hand usage. When working with independent hands he has good timing and excellent placement with both inside and outside strikes. Using independent hands he toys with most all quality of pass rushers, keeping them at arm's length like a prize fighter working away with a superior jab against their opponent. His two-handed strike is not consistently well timed or placed, but he is able to reset his hands with relative ease against most competition and establish a position of dominance. It is then that his outstanding grip strength and upper body strength come into play, as he will bend defenders to his will when he has two hands on them. With both independent hands and the two-handed strike he can also torque his elbows to create leverage despite his pad level which is often naturally high. On jump sets he will quickly envelop defenders, with little chance of them escaping him. Defensive Linemen are rarely ever able to close time and space against him. He has efficient feet and is not over-reliant on his quick feet, he moves with intent and purpose and stays in contact with the ground at all times, he's an easy mover. He maintains the half-man but can, in vertical sets against a more athletic defender with a good rush plan, give up his inside early in games. He will, however, reset and learn from this as the game goes on, remaining more patient against those who look to set him up inside, not over-setting, staying confident that he can shut down the outside rush. He is rarely, if ever, beaten around the outside, his size, footwork, and hands make it almost impossible to get to the corner. He has an easy anchor, is very rarely put in any kind of trouble from a power move, dealing with bull-rushes, speed to power and blitzing LBs. You can also see him deal with issues in-game, reading the Defensive Lineman's plan against him and setting up to neutralize it, sometimes by baiting.

**Run Blocking** As a gap blocker on down, base and fan blocks he is a nightmare to contend with. He will position, fit, and finish at an elite level on these types of block, in most situations, he's able to down block even 4i and 5 techniques because of his sheer upper body strength combined with his technique. If the defender is aligned any further inside of him, he will be obliterated. He has explosive strength and can snap into defenders at the point of attack, on base blocks, he will control the lineman and open whichever gap he chooses. As a puller, he can struggle when he has to turn a tight corner as he has limited hip mobility. In space he works his angles effectively to set himself up to position well, as reactive athleticism isn't his strong suit, but smarter second level defenders can get around that. When running Outside Zone concepts his limited hip mobility means he can't reach block on 7 techniques or wider aligned defenders when play-side. When on the back-side he can make his block functional and get in the way but won't consistently spring the cut-back. On Inside Zone or Duo on double teams, he can work to the 2nd level and make functional blocks but can't always overtake at the line of scrimmage. Has plenty of toughness and nasty to him.

#### **PROJECTION & RAVENS FIT**

**Projection** Immediate starter at RT, best fit in a heavier Gap scheme, can get by with a team that is IZ/Duo heavy, won't thrive in a heavy Outside Zone scheme.

**Ravens Fit** The Ravens are looking for at least one OT of the future in this Draft and while there are many 1st round prospects, Mims may have the highest ceiling of the bunch. Don't mistake him for a developmental project though, he has put impressive play on tape just in a very limited sample size. I believe he can start right away and contribute, especially in the Ravens scheme. He has some limitations in Outside Zone but the Ravens don't run a high volume of OZ relatively in comparison to the rest of the league. His size, strength and athleticism are all exactly what the Ravens would look for at the position.



Projection to Guard because his main weakness – speed to power moves shows up more when on an island outside. Good pass pro otherwise, needs to mix up strategy. Solid Zone run blocker

#### **PRODUCTION**

SR: 785 Snaps at Left Tackle JR: 667 Snaps at Left Tackle SO: 701 Snaps at Left Tackle

INJURY: Torn Right ACL (November 2022)

#### **RAVENS FIT**

ATHLETICISM \$\frac{1}{2}5\$

INTELLIGENCE \$\frac{1}{2}3\$

VERSATILITY \$\frac{1}{2}3\$

GRIT \$\frac{1}{2}3\$

SCHEME \$\frac{1}{2}3\$

# JORDAN MORGAN IOL ARIZONA 6-5 311 SR

#77 PERFORMANCE GRADE: 3.92 POTENTIAL GRADE: 4.33 POSITIONAL RANK: 8 ARM LENGTH: 32 7/8"//HAND SIZE: 10 7/8"//40YD: 5.04 (91%)//10YD: 1.69 (98%) VJ: 28" (58%)//BJ: 9'2" (87%)//BP: 27 (84%)//SS: N/A (%)//3C: N/A (%)

Pass Blocking He has outstanding athleticism and foot speed for the position and it is what makes him successful as a pass protector. He has one strategy that he deploys, it works how he wants it to on jump and 45 sets; this is working with independent hands, getting his outside hand latched first on the shoulder of the edge-rusher, followed by using his inside hand to guide the defender upfield. His outside hand is a strong paw into the chest and is where he gains most of his play strength from, he's a good bender and so this is a solid strategy for him because it forces the defender to go upfield to his dominant hand and he can deploy his speed to trace the hoop if he gets into any trouble. Unfortunately, he really doesn't use much else in his pass pro and he will need to add other ways to win at the next level if he remains on the outside, good rushers will find a way to take advantage of this when they know it's coming down in and down out. When he uses a vertical set, the strategy comes apart a little, elite rushers at the college level with good play strength and good hand timing, when rushing from a wide 9 alignment were able to get some speed up against him and convert speed to power coming through him to the Quarterback. Because his hand usage relies on his outside hand all the time – when surprised by speed to power and he doesn't time or place his hands well - he isn't consistent with his ability to drop anchor against this move. When facing simple bull rushes or straight power to the chest in close quarters he can reset and re-anchor but crucially he can't reset his hands easily and it is a deficiency that he needs to rectify at the next level. All these areas for development are true on vertical sets but when he gets his hands on more quickly on 45 and jump sets, his timing and his placement with his hands are more consistent and it allows him to put his excellent feet to work while engaged. There are times on vertical sets when he can open the door to inside moves and struggles to get a good power step, on 45 and jump sets, he's much more likely to be able to work an effective power step and shut down any inside moves. He has a solid ghost hand that helps him to get his outside hand placed when he's facing competition with a good rush plan.

**Run Blocking** As a run blocker he's solid and finds a way to make most blocks at least functional but there are a number of deficiencies on many different types of blocks that cause him some challenges. He is excellent on combo blocks, gives enough of a bump to seal the man for the Guard to overtake the block and chooses the right time to release to the second level. When he gets to the second level, he can maneuver very well in space due to his speed and eats up ground towards second level defenders. He's also able to redirect quickly in the open field. Staying with Zone/Space blocking, he has good foot speed to get his positioned to reach even a 3 technique when playing on the back-side but he doesn't snap his hips round to help him fit and finish. He can pick up a 4i on a reach block and make the block functional but it won't always be pretty. As a Gap blocker he's good as a puller and down block effectively when he has a good angle. If he has to block straight up man to man on base blocks he can struggle to win against defenders with good power.

#### **PROJECTION & RAVENS FIT**

**Projection** Starting Guard in a heavier Zone scheme, should thrive as a pass protector inside and will be able to use his athleticism well on Zone blocks.

Ravens Fit Morgan's best fit is as a Guard at the next level. I don't make Tackle to Guard projections likely but he is far more comfortable in close quarters and struggles with speed to power when outside on an island. I actually think he's a better fit on the right side too where he can take more advantage of his dominant left hand with an inside strike that maximizes his length. He would be a good pass protector inside and can play well for the Ravens if they continue to run more Zone blocking in the run game. Otherwise, the question marks over his power in the run game would give the Ravens some pause.



3 year LT starter, has the traits to make the transition to guard with his play strength and anchor but could be given a chance to play Tackle. Better Gap blocker than he is Zone

#### **PRODUCTION**

SR: 492 Snaps at Left Tackle JR: 895 Snaps at Left Tackle SO: 747 Snaps at Left Tackle

INJURY: Knee Injury (SR)
Missed 4 Games

#### RAVENS\_FIT

ATHLETICISM \$\frac{1}{4}\$

INTELLIGENCE \$\frac{1}{4}\$

VERSATILITY \$\frac{1}{4}\$

GRIT \$\frac{1}{5}\$

SCHEME \$\frac{1}{4}\$

# GRAHAM BARTON

**OL** DUKE **6-5 313** SR

#62 PERFORMANCE GRADE: 4.58 POTENTIAL GRADE: 4.67 POSITIONAL RANK: 2 ARM LENGTH: 32 7/8"//HAND SIZE: 9 3/8"// 40YD: 4.95 (98%)//10YD: 1.68 (100%) VJ: N/A (%)//BJ: N/A (%)//BP: N/A (%)//SS: 4.55 (93%)//3C: 7.31 (99%)

Pass Blocking He plays with outstanding leverage and therefore play strength. He does this through excellent bend but also with remarkably efficient footwork. As his leverage comes predominantly from his ability to bend he needs connection to the ground to keep his play strength high and he does this by sticking his feet in the ground and moving with intent and purpose. He moves smoothly, laterally and he maintains an excellent base, mirroring with relative ease against most competition. Where he can get into some trouble around the outside is against those rushers with elite athleticism, but they will need good play strength to flatten to the QB as his good recovery ability allows him to stay in the rep. He has a solid post foot to take away the inside move and can deploy his explosive strength when someone tries the inside move. As for coming through him, this is very difficult because of the leverage with which he plays, he drops an elite anchor. When he is challenged and rocked backwards he shows a consistent ability to reset and re-anchor. His footwork and leverage allows him a little margin for error with his hands, which on his two handed strike can be a little wide and he looks grabby, living on the edge of holding at times. Working with independent hands, he is more accurate with his strike but his outside hand can sometimes whiff and puts him in trouble against the elite speed already mentioned. His hand timing is consistently excellent. He is a high processor at the Tackle position, works out where pressure is coming from and neutralizes the correct threat for the protection set. He plays with good balance and can right himself from awkward positions, also can lay a lick on a defender even when he's in a compromised position. He does an excellent job of reducing time and space with his hand timing and efficient footwork despite having less than ideal arm length for the OT spot.

Run Blocking As with his pass protection, his best attribute is his play strength, as a run blocker, especially on Gap blocks you can see him snap into contact and uncoil that leverage. He also displays his physical toughness and competitiveness. On Drive blocks he demonstrates his explosive strength as he's able to dominate those across from him and lever them off the ball, sometimes burying them in the ground, sometimes taking them several yards of the line of scrimmage. He'll finish through the echo of the whistle. On Down blocks, he positions well and finishes but it won't be as brutal as on Drive blocks, just always functional. He moves well as a puller and locates well but his fit can be inconsistent. This inconsistent fit and finish shows up most often on blocks in space where he positions well and creates a good angle but doesn't bring himself under control to apply his strength effectively. He also stops his feet when he gets to his man in space, and it prevents him from finishing. On combo blocks for Zone blocking, he's able to help seal and chooses the right release point to the second level but it's easier for him to deal with defenders closer to the line of scrimmage. As a reach blocker, he has no problem reaching anything directly across from him or shading outside him, he rolls his hips on contact and finishes. If they are inside him, whether at the line of scrimmage or the second level, it's more of a competition.

#### **PROJECTION & RAVENS FIT**

**Projection** Likely best fits as a starting Guard in the league, has the traits to make the transition, should at some point be given a chance outside.

Ravens Fit Barton is in some ways a very good fit for what the Ravens need, he can play Guard long term and likely best fits at Left Guard. It's not out of the realm of possibility that he makes it as a Tackle. So, you could bring him to replace John Simpson day one and if you see enough, give him a shot to replace Stanley long-term when he leaves. I think in this scenario, worst case is that you have an excellent starting Guard. The only caveat to this is that Barton fits really well schematically, if the Ravens remain a slightly heavier Gap than Zone scheme, if they go heavier Zone then he's less of a scheme fit. Tough guy.



Lots of ways to win as a pass protector and plenty of traits to develop. Lots of technical issues to fix in pass protection. Very good Gap blocker, can't position well in space for Zone blocks

#### **PRODUCTION**

JR: 661 Snaps at Right Tackle SO: 350 Snaps at Right Tackle, 50 Snaps at Left Tackle

INJURY: Various, made 14 starts over 2 years

#### **RAVENS FIT**

ATHLETICISM \$\frac{1}{4}\$

INTELLIGENCE \$\frac{1}{3}\$

VERSATILITY \$\frac{1}{2}\$

GRIT \$\frac{1}{3}\$

SCHEME \$\frac{1}{3}\$

# TYLER GUYTON

OT OKLAHOMA 6-7 322 JR

#60 PERFORMANCE GRADE: 4.00 POTENTIAL GRADE: 4.42 POSITIONAL RANK: 7 ARM LENGTH: 34 1/8"//HAND SIZE: 10 1/4"// 40YD: 5.19 (73%)//10YD: 1.76 (87%) VJ: 34 1/2" (99%)//BJ: 8'11" (74%)//BP: N/A (%)//SS: 4.71 (67%)//3C: 7.50 (90%)

Pass Blocking He anticipates the snap well and has good explosion but there is some inconsistency to how he gets out of his stance despite the athleticism to do so well. His main challenge as a pass protector is his lack of natural bend, it leaves him susceptible to waistbending. When he's patient and times his strike well, the lack of bend doesn't matter, when he's in jump sets and he is more aggressive, he has a tendency to lunge and get out over his skis. In 45 and vertical sets it is less pronounced and he has a good wide base with efficient feet to be able to mirror the rusher. His most effective tactic in 45 sets is his inside hand which, when working with independent hands, is well placed and well timed, allowing him to control the rep. He's also then able to bring in his outside hand and this acts a fail safe if the edge rusher shows good bend and dip, sliding his inside hand up too high on the pad. Then he's able to run the hoop and lean on the defender, using his mass to prevent pressure on the QB. He can also use this the opposite way, locking on with his outside hand first before bringing along the inside hand to guide the rusher upfield, where he turns and runs to use his mass to run the defender past the QB. He moves well in vertical sets, with efficient footwork and adds to this, good hand timing. There are a number of technical issues though that require development as they will be taken advantage of at the next level. Firstly, when he's working against a auv with high motor and active hands, he struggles to re-fit his hands if he misses with his initial strike. He's perpetually hand-fighting through the rep and struggles to re-assert any dominance over the block, in this scenario it always feels like he's living on the edge. He also doesn't have a solid post foot in vertical sets, it comes forward and too close to the edge rusher which opens up his inside and he doesn't yet have a particularly effective power step to counter those rushers with good lateral quickness who use an effective euro step to wrong-foot him. In addition to this, when he faces elite speed off the edge and they bring a lateral move to fake inside, his base widens too much and he struggles to then react to the change of direction. He drops a good anchor with his feet, he can jump backwards and reset his feet when challenged with speed to power or straight power to the chest but it will be nullified if he hasn't got his hands on earlier in the rep, as he can't re-fit his hands.

**Run Blocking** As a run blocker uses his excellent upper body strength to dominate the point of attack as a Gap blocker. He can position, fit and finish as a down blocker taking his man entirely out of the game. He can win with strength and good hand usage on base blocks, bending the defender to his will and he works well as a puller, especially when there are two pullers. If the LB he's blocking is coming downhill he can meet him in the hole and knock him sideways, it's different if he has to go chasing in space. This is the same for when he's Zone blocking, out in space if he has to react and move laterally, he struggles to position himself for the block. He needs more pop and impact as a combo blocker to allow the post man to overtake the block, he's good as the takeover guy. In reach blocks on outside zone, his slide step is too far backwards and he will struggle to position for the block.

#### **PROJECTION & RAVENS FIT**

**Projection** Developmental starting RT in a scheme that runs slightly more Gap than Zone, will win in spite of him to start with but he's a guy you could win with.

Ravens Fit The Ravens need a Tackle that can start immediately on the right side, Guyton can do this but there would be some growing pains. The lack of bend and inability to re-fit his hands are the major issues, the rest is fixable and he does have many ways to win as a pass protector given his upper body strength, heavy hands, and efficient footwork. If the Ravens keep their current rate of Gap runs, he will fit better than if they up their Zone run rate. This is where he has most development to do as a run blocker and he will need ways created for him to move linearly in space to enable him to be most successful.



Frazier is a solid starting
Center prospect in a scheme
that features more Zone
blocking than Gap. Good in
pass protection but with
some things to work on.
Nasty, competitive

### **PRODUCTION**

JR: 806 Snaps at Center SO: 882 Snaps at Center FR: 895 Snaps at Center 2020 Covid: 542 Snaps at LG

INJURY: None

### RAVENS FIT

ATHLETICISM \$\frac{1}{4}\$
INTELLIGENCE \$\frac{1}{4}\$
VERSATILITY \$\frac{1}{2}\$
GRIT \$\frac{1}{4}\$
SCHEME \$\frac{1}{3}\$

# ZACH FRAZIER IOL WEST VIRGINIA 6-2 313 JR

#54 PERFORMANCE GRADE: 4.17 POTENTIAL GRADE: 4.33 POSITIONAL RANK: 7 ARM LENGTH: 32 1/4"//HAND SIZE: 10 7/8"// 40YD: 5.24 (71%)//10YD: 1.81 (72%) VJ: 28 1/2" (74%)//BJ: 8'4" (49%)//BP: 30 (89%)//SS: 4.69 (78%)//3C: 7.85 (65%)

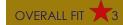
Pass Blocking Quick out of his stance. His initial contact with the defender is very good no matter what pass set or situation. He has excellent punch timing and placement, especially when working with independent hands. He has natural leverage given he is a little undersized but he uses it expertly to stalemate rushers immediately. This means he plays with excellent play strength despite his size but he also has good power in his hands as a pass protector and good upper body strength to deploy. He has efficient footwork in all pass sets and is generally a good mover. Against Defensive Linemen not trying to beat him with a power move, he fights well to re-fit his hands and even defenders with active hands and good hand usage struggle to disengage from him. He has a solid anchor in most situations and has shown that he can reset and re-anchor but against bigger Defensive Linemen with longer arms and good play strength, he can be walked backwards into the pocket and is unable to rest. He has good processing and is mentally alert to stunts and blitzes, re-directing well to the new threat. All of this is true against 0 and 1 techniques but when he has to move more laterally in slide protection and pick up someone further away from him, he can be late to open his hips and will open a door for more explosive rushers with good upfield burst to penetrate.

Run Blocking On Gap blocks he has good positioning and fit but he doesn't finish the block particularly effectively. On Down blocks he gets his hands in the correct position but the defender is able to hold him off and slowly constrict the running lane that block is trying to spring open, the defender can also shed the block and tackle the runner in the gap. As a puller himself he moves quickly and shows off his fluid movement and good foot speed, if he's kicking out the end man on the line of scrimmage he does an excellent job of this. He's also competitive and nasty and will finish through the whistle, especially on these type of blocks. On Drive blocks he can land his hands well on a 0 technique and make the block functional but anything where he has to move at an angle and he can struggle although he will compete and will get his fair share of stalemates. On Drive blocks is where he's most likely to give up a tackle for a short gain in his gap if he's facing a DL with good hand usage. As Zone blocker, when he's reach blocking, he shows his explosion and movement skills to position well for the block but he's slow for his hips to turn on contact and while he often makes the block functional, sometimes by flattening the defender, he too often turns it into a Down block and ends up taking away running lanes for his RB. He can reach a 0 technique and competes with 1 techniques but the above is true for anything outside this. In space, he's a very effective blocker, he positions well understands the power angles at play, and can fit and finish on all types of second level defenders, he's consistently good in this area.

### **PROJECTION & RAVENS FIT**

**Projection** Solid starting Center in a heavier Zone scheme.

Ravens Fit The discussion on Frazier's fit with the Ravens focuses almost entirely on whether you feel he is a Center-only prospect. He clearly wouldn't unseat Linderbaum, they're a similar type of Center except Linderbaum was on a different level entirely as a prospect. Frazier can be a solid starter in the league but I think that will be at Center only. Some of that is due to his size, but most is down to the things that he isn't as good at, which I think would be magnified if he were to play Guard. As the Ravens may move more towards Zone blocking in their run game, he does struggle to make Gap blocks consistently functional and that will continue to be a feature of the Ravens offense.



Has not yet solved the problem at OT of dealing with rushers with length advantage and good hand usage. Otherwise excellent pass protector and excellent run blocker

### **PRODUCTION**

JR: 699 Snaps at Right Tackle SO: 810 Snaps at Right Tackle

INJURY: None

### RAVENS FIT

ATHLETICISM \$\frac{1}{4}\$

INTELLIGENCE \$\frac{1}{5}\$

VERSATILITY \$\frac{1}{5}\$

GRIT \$\frac{1}{5}\$

SCHEME \$\frac{1}{5}\$

# TALIESE FUAGA

OT OREGON STATE 6-5 324 JR

#75 PERFORMANCE GRADE: 5.00 POTENTIAL GRADE: 5.25 POSITIONAL RANK: 1 ARM LENGTH: 33 1/8"//HAND SIZE: 10 1/8"// 40YD: 5.13 (81%)//10YD: 1.77 (84%) VJ: 32" (93%)//BJ: 9'03" (90%)//BP: N/A (%)//SS: N/A (%)//3C: N/A (%)

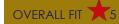
Pass Blocking He starts every rep by getting off the ball with explosion, he times up the snap well and gets a head start almost always without false starting. This puts him in a good initial position on vertical, 45 and jump sets. He has efficient footwork and outrageous upper body strength that help him win consistently as a pass protector. His normal move is to use his outside hand working with independent hands, and this large paw is often enough to hold off even guys with good play strength. He is patient with his hands and consistently times his strike well. His outside hand is almost always accurate, his inside hand is not as consistent but still effective. When he's challenged to the outside, in most situations he has enough hip mobility and foot speed to trace the hoop, and he always has the strength to compete at the apex of the rush to help prevent the rusher from cornering. He excels at shutting down inside moves from all types of rusher, he has loose hips and good reactive athleticism, never panicking. He has an excellent anchor and will normally drop it early into the rep keeping the integrity of the pocket. There are some specific situations where he will compete but lose his fair share of battles. He can over-rely on his play strength and the outside hand he uses can be susceptible to being knocked away by defenders with good length and good hand usage with a cross chop move they can use to defeat him. In this scenario, he will compete to stop the defender finishing on his QB. He will also give ground to those same type of defenders if they use speed to power and come for his chest. In this scenario, he has to reset his feet to re-anchor and is normally able to but defenders with excellent play strength can win. He processes the game at a high level and deals with stunts and blitzes like nothing, able to pass off and pick up guys with very little fuss. He regularly goes looking for work and demonstrates his nasty, making totally unnecessary hits on defenders.

Run Blocking He excels as a run blocker. On Gap blocks, he's able to exert his power and control the point of attack. He has great positioning and fit on down blocks; his hand placement gets him easy wins. He will lever even bigger Defensive Linemen off the ball. On drive blocks, he is always moving his feet, including on contact and the placement and timing of his hands in fitting the block are excellent. On these blocks he shows his aggression and competitiveness. As a Zone blocker he fires off from his stance and gets upfield in a hurry looking for his guy at the second level. He positions extremely well for space blocks, he creates angles to take advantage of when blocking smaller defenders and keeps his feet moving on contact, finishing the block. When he's play-side on Outside Zone and trying to reach a 9 technique, he won't manage it, gets closer to it with 7 techniques but what he will do is ride his guy significantly out of the play to create space for his back. When he's back-side he can slow down a 3 technique but won't get in front of those with burst and good processing. On Inside Zone when he's trying to fan block, he can stand up too quickly and lose leverage against those with good hand usage themselves. On combo blocks, he's excellent at overtaking blocks and times his release to the second level well.

### **PROJECTION & RAVENS FIT**

**Projection** Scheme diverse and likely best fit as a starting Guard, though should also be able to play Right Tackle at a high level with more experience.

**Ravens Fit** Very little chance that Fuaga makes it to 30 but he's an outstanding fit who may be worth a trade up should he fall into the 2<sup>nd</sup> half of the 1<sup>st</sup> round and the price isn't too steep. His traits translate inside even though he hasn't played there. He would likely get a shot at Tackle first, but there would be some growing pains reducing time and space to NFL rushers. If not a Tackle, he walks in as a day 1 starter in one of the Guard spots and holds it down for a decade. Versatility in running Zone and Gap can only help a multiple Ravens rushing offense that might continue to reduce it's reliance on Gap runs.



High-potential LT candidate due to remarkable upper body strength and speed.
Technique deficiencies in pass protection with hand usage and never maximizes his play strength

### **PRODUCTION**

JR: 644 Snaps at Left Tackle SO: 687 Snaps at Right Tackle

INJURY: Minor right leg injury, missed 1 game (2023)

### RAVENS FIT

ATHLETICISM \$\frac{1}{4}\$

INTELLIGENCE \$\frac{1}{2}\$

VERSATILITY \$\frac{1}{4}\$

GRIT \$\frac{1}{3}\$

SCHEME \$\frac{1}{4}\$

# KINGSLEY SUAMATAIA

OT BYU 6-4 326 RS SO

#78 PERFORMANCE GRADE: 3.58 POTENTIAL GRADE: 4.00 POSITIONAL RANK: 10 ARM LENGTH: 34 1/4"//HAND SIZE: 10 5/8"// 40YD: 5.04 (91%)//10YD: 1.73 (93%) VJ: 28" (58%)//BJ: 9'2" (87%)//BP: 31 (95%)//SS: N/A (%)//3C: N/A (%)

Pass Blocking He has remarkable upper body strength that shows up at times but is far too inconsistently applied due to deficiencies in his technique. In vertical sets first, which he uses most often as a pass protector, his hand placement is wildly inconsistent. When he shows patience and waits for the right moment to intersect the pass rusher, he can fire his hands and either knock the defender out of the rep, or latch on and stay engaged through the entirety of the rep. However, this optimal usage of his hands is far too infrequent on his film. What happens most often is that his hand placement is way off in vertical sets, usually wide and sometimes high, and his timing is off as he makes his move far too quickly. When facing edge rushers with good hand usage and solid play strength, they can throw his hands off the block, sometimes emphatically and then he struggles to fight with his hands to re-engage his opponent. What often happens at this point is that his pad level rises, and he gives savvy defenders a few options for routes to the QB. The most concerning of which for a guy with such upper body strength is the way he gives up his chest and gives himself no chance to drop anchor and protect the pocket. He will give up pressure in these instances. His hand placement is much better in 45 and jump sets but he can still struggle to engage initially with defenders who deploy good rush moves that involve swipes and chops. His hand fighting also improves on 45 and jump sets though, when he doesn't have to engage his feet as much at the same time as his hands, he is able to stay engaged. If a hand is not placed well, it is normally his inside hand. When he faces rushers with good lateral quickness, he is liable to give up his inside, the challenge for him to recover with a power step when he does is that the poor hand timing and placement make it difficult for him to effectively deploy his upper body strength. He often chases inside moves so his feet are not rooted to give him maximum play strength. His upper body strength, is so ridiculous that he will often compete in these scenarios when his technique is lacking, but his play strength could be far greater than it is. He doesn't currently process at a high level, doesn't see stunts and blitzers coming.

Run Blocking As a run blocker he is solid as a Gap blocker. He's a really good linear athlete so when he is pulling and kicking out defenders or turning the corner to hit a LB close to the line of scrimmage, he excels and can unleash his strength in a phonebooth. That's true of other Gap blocks including Drive blocks and Down blocks where he positions, fits and finishes these blocks well, meaning he gets to take advantage of all his play strength. The only exception to this is when he faces a defender who tries to penetrate against his drive block and uses lateral quickness to do so. When this happens, he stops his feet and lunges and his block can be easily defeated. In space, he can line up a defender and hit them in the open field but only when he has a corridor to operate in, if he's truly in space, he can't react as well to lateral movement and can whiff on blocks where this happens. In Outside Zone he works well on the back-side on pre-determined bend reads to clear out one side of the line but he wasn't often asked to genuinely reach block anyone lined up inside of him.

### **PROJECTION & RAVENS FIT**

**Projection** Needs time to develop with a good OL coach, should not start immediately but could turn into a solid LT, best fit in a heavier Gap scheme.

Ravens Fit The Ravens are in desperate need of a versatile OL who has high-end starter type traits. Suamataia fits this bill but they are also in need of immediate starters and I'm not sure he is best served by throwing him straight into the AFC North as a RT. There are a lot of deficiencies in technique in pass protection that require refinement. His speed, explosion, and sheer upper body strength are enticing but he needs time to reach his potential. He may be better served starting at Guard where some of his traits will play and see if he can develop into a starting Tackle, he hasn't played Guard yet so it is a projection.



Elite pass protector, rarely in trouble against all types of rusher. Independent hands work is best in class. As a run blocker, he doesn't always fit blocks well when he has to move laterally

### **PRODUCTION**

JR: 874 Snaps at RT SO: 874 Snaps at RT FR: 135 Snaps at RG

INJURY: None

### **RAVENS FIT**

ATHLETICISM \$\frac{1}{4}\$

INTELLIGENCE \$\frac{1}{4}\$

VERSATILITY \$\frac{1}{3}\$

GRIT \$\frac{1}{4}\$

SCHEME \$\frac{1}{3}\$

# JC LATHAM OT ALABAMA 6-5 342 JR

#65 PERFORMANCE GRADE: 4.58 POTENTIAL GRADE: 4.83 POSITIONAL RANK: 5 ARM LENGTH: 35 1/8"//HAND SIZE: 11"// 40YD: N/A (%)//10YD: N/A (%) VJ: N/A (%)//BJ: N/A (%)//BP: N/A (%)//SS: N/A (%)//3C: N/A (%)

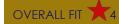
Pass Blocking Has excellent anticipation at the snap and can get out of his stance quickly on pass protection duty. His pass protection is elite and he plays under control at all times. This comes from his elite hand usage, both his timing and placement are excellent. He also fights well with his hands, if a defender does manage to dislodge his grip with either hand, he's able to counter and re-engage quickly. He has excellent, efficient feet and can mirror all types of rushers. He most often uses vertical sets and when he does this, what happens most often is that he works brilliantly with independent hands, gets latched and then traces the hoop well past the Quarterback, maintaining the integrity of the pocket. This is true for outside moves but he will also shut down inside moves, given how much of an easy mover he is but he also sees it coming and starts his power step early, knowing he has such a grasp of any outside moves that they might work back to. He can also stop defenders coming through him in most circumstances. He's thick in the pants and drops his weight especially well, combine that with his excellent hand timing and placement and he stops most power moves, including effective speed to power moves, bull rushers and blitzers coming from distance, in their tracks. In some specific circumstances, when he facing a wide 9 alignment from an edge-rusher who has good hand usage and who threatens an inside move as part of the rep but works back to speed to power and gets two hands into his chest, then he can be rocked backwards. But even in these circumstances he can compete due to his ability to reset and re-anchor. In his pass pro he displays outstanding play strength due to the grip strength in his hands, the technique in both his hands and feet and the way he bends - he plays with leverage at all times, even against squatter, more powerful guys he can still be the low man. He deals with stunts and blitzers with ease and processes the game well.

**Run Blocking** His run blocking is a different story to his pass protection. As a Gap blocker, he will work well with defenders directly in front of him. In this situation facing a 5 technique or a 4i, he will position, fit and finish the block well. When he has to move laterally, either inside to down block a 3 technique or outside to drive block a 7 or 9 technique, he will stop his feet on contact and ends up lunging at the defender, over-balancing, losing the rep emphatically. In space, he will be able to deploy his excellent hands and his power when he has an angle, using traffic and the direction of the run, set up against a guy in space. However, when he has to move further or when he doesn't have an angle that's advantageous, he will once again stop his feet on contact, widen his base and Linebackers who move well laterally will be able to wrong-foot him and get past the block without needing to use their hands. When reach blocking on the backside of Outside Zone, he can reach an undersized DL playing 4i but he can't reach a 3 technique, even though he will make life difficult for him in pursuit. On combination blocks, he could time his release to the 2<sup>nd</sup> level better, he spends too much time at the line of scrimmage helping to seal the block there, and when he's overtaking the block he can require help that prevents a release to the 2<sup>nd</sup> level for his teammate.

### **PROJECTION & RAVENS FIT**

**Projection** Starting OT – haven't seen him play on the left side but has the traits for it in pass protection. Will be best in an offense with a high passing volume.

Ravens Fit The Ravens need starter now at OT. As a pass protector, Latham is perfect, he is rarely in trouble and should be able to run the AFC North gauntlet of pass-rushers with no problem. Where the Ravens might find some trouble is with his run blocking, which is nowhere near as powerful as they would like for when they run Gap, and he struggles to make blocks at the second level functional, except in specific circumstances, for when they run Zone. The pass pro is elite so they might take a chance on developing him as a run blocker. All this is likely moot though as he will almost certainly be gone by pick 30.



Pass protection has technical deficiencies that need fixing. Has upper body strength and power to deploy. Good Zone blocker especially on combo blocks and reach blocks

### **PRODUCTION**

SR: 802 Snaps at RG JR: 807 Snaps at RG SO: 814 Snaps at RG FR: 835 Snaps at RG

INJURY: None

### RAVENS FIT

ATHLETICISM \$\frac{1}{4}\$
INTELLIGENCE \$\frac{1}{4}\$
VERSATILITY \$\frac{1}{2}\$
GRIT \$\frac{1}{4}\$
SCHEME \$\frac{1}{3}\$

# CHRISTIAN HAYNES

IOL UCONN 6-2 317 SR

#64 PERFORMANCE GRADE: 3.75 POTENTIAL GRADE: 4.00 POSITIONAL RANK: 9 ARM LENGTH: 33 1/2"//HAND SIZE: 9"//40YD: 5.03 (94%)//10YD: 1.75 (91%) VJ: 33" (98%)//BJ: 8'6" (61%)//BP: 25 (65%)//SS: N/A (%)//3C: N/A (%)

Pass Blocking He has almost certainly been taught the hands outside technique. This does make sense for him based on his body type - he's thick in the pants and has a broad chest. There are reps where you can see him clamp his hands outside and then work to bring his inside hand into the defender's chest, which always needs to be the case when working with this technique. But it's not consistent. And when he isn't able to do this, there are three deficiencies that rear their head and call into question the tactic for him long-term. Firstly, when he doesn't get a solid clamp with his first strike and he facing DL with good hand usage, he can struggle to re-fit his hands to stay engaged and control the rep. Secondly, he does live dangerously close to holding, this is natural with this technique but part of making it a success is knowing when to let go. It's usually when it starts to look like you're impeding the defender who's trying to make a move, there were too many examples on film of him staying clamped on the outside of the shoulder even as the defender was trying to make a move away from him. Finally, and most crucially, defenders with good play strength can work a bull-rush with him and walk him backwards to the QB, without him being able to re-anchor. This is a problem as NFL coaches will ban the hands outside technique when you're getting bull-rushed. In 45 and jump sets though, he more often chooses to play with his hands inside and it seems to give him more success, the hands are well placed and timed, and they remain latched through the rep. Given how thick he is, he also bends well and maintains leverage in his pass sets. Does show an effective snatch and trap move and has remarkable upper body strength which he can use to throw defenders around. He could stand to get a little more efficient with his footwork as he can pitch his feet up and down a little. He's a good processor, sees stunts coming a long way off, can redirect to pick up the defender. He opens his hips easily, his inside hand is well placed, and he can stay latched through the rep.

**Run Blocking** As a run blocker he ran mostly in Zone but you can see some Gap runs to help make that projection. On Drive blocks he won't get too much movement but he can turn his man and wall off the running lane. On Down blocks he doesn't fit his hands well and it can lead to defenders being able to turn him at the point of attack. As a puller he moves well and can use his hip mobility to turn the corner. He's at his best when he has an angle on a guy and doesn't have to travel as far. This is also true for his Space blocking – his success hinges on traffic being present for the defender to navigate, his angle to the defender being an advantageous one and the distance travelled not being too great. In these circumstances he locates, positions, fits and finishes with nasty and competitiveness. But if he's in a lot of space and the defender has good lateral quickness, he can whiff. At the line of scrimmage on combo blocks he helps seal before releasing to the second level with great timing, and is very good at overtaking blocks and making them functional. As a reach blocker in Zone, he can reach anything directly in front of him but when the defender is outside of him, he's more effective at opening up the bang read.

### **PROJECTION & RAVENS FIT**

**Projection** Best fit as a Guard in a heavier Zone scheme, will need to either get better with hands-outside technique or abandon in pass protection.

Ravens Fit Certainly warrants consideration given the holes at both Guard spots. The Ravens run close to an even amount of Zone and Gap and it will only be more Zone that comes into the offense, and his upper body strength suggests he could develop further as a Gap blocker. It just depends how the Ravens see his pass protection. They need a plug and play guy and while I like Haynes, there will be growing pains early as he works out the best strategy for him in the NFL. The Ravens might not have that kind of time, protecting the middle of Lamar Jackson's pocket.



Excellent pass protector, plays with outstanding hand usage and leverage, he makes it very tough to get pressure on the QB. Not great in open space, but can make run blocks functional

### **PRODUCTION**

JR: 710 Snaps at RT SO: 874 Snaps at RT

INJURY: None

### **RAVENS FIT**

ATHLETICISM \$\frac{1}{3}\$

INTELLIGENCE \$\frac{1}{3}\$

VERSATILITY \$\frac{1}{3}\$

GRIT \$\frac{1}{4}\$

SCHEME \$\frac{1}{3}\$

# BLAKE FISHER

### OT NOTRE DAME 6-2 317 JR

#54 PERFORMANCE GRADE: 4.17 POTENTIAL GRADE: 4.25 POSITIONAL RANK: 6 ARM LENGTH: 34 3/8"//HAND SIZE: 10"//40YD: 5.20 (71%)//10YD: 1.81 (68%) VJ: 28" (58%)//BJ: 9'6" (97%)//BP: 22 (51%)//SS: 4.73 (63%)//3C: 7.76 (65%)

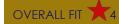
Pass Blocking Gets out of his stance well in pass protection and gets to his landmark quickly. His hand usage is very good. He has consistently excellent placement and timing with his hands, he uses his length well and normally works with his outside hand first, but also has a very good two-handed strike. He has some margin for error with his placement given his 10" hands. He has excellent bend and natural leverage and it means he plays with good play strength when he's protecting the Quarterback. Against elite speed trying to go around him, he will get his big outside paw on first to assert some control over the rep before getting both hands on as he mirrors the defender. If the defender has elite speed and excellent cornering ability he can put him in trouble and get pressure on the QB, but he'll compete even in these circumstances. He has excellent recovery skills and good body control to right himself from compromising positions. As well as these recovery skills he is also very good at re-fitting his ands and fighting with defenders with good hand usage themselves. When he faces an inside move you can see his solid post foot and reactive athleticism come into play as he shuts down most attempts to get through on his inside with an impressive power step. He is particularly good on jump sets when he gets his hands on early with his hands latched and leverage exerted against the edge-rusher. He has an easy anchor against speed to power, and rushers coming from further away as he sinks his hips and keeps his leverage to shut down most different types of rusher in this situation. Two areas where he could improve; firstly when there's a power move into his chest early, either a bull rush or a long arm, his hand placement is a little high and it allows the defender to walk him back to the QB. He can reset and re-anchor in this situation though so will still compete. Only those with excellent counters and play strength can win and get pressure on the QB. His feet are also not the most efficient in the class as he pitches his feet up and down, particularly on vertical sets, losing his connection to the ground and compromising his excellent leverage.

**Run Blocking** He doesn't always get out of his stance as quickly as a run blocker, and he's not a people mover but still makes plenty of blocks functional in the run game. On fan blocks for inside zone, he can get into a position of leverage and wall off the defender from the runner, it's also hard to disengage him and tackle the runner in the gap. On Deuce blocks he climbs to the second level in a timely fashion, when he has an angle and/or the defender is coming downhill and is closer to the line of scrimmage, he can position, fit and finish the block and will show some nasty when he gets on second level defenders, playing through the whistle. When he has to travel further or in open space, he looks a little cumbersome and can't position to even start the process of the block. Both things are also true of him as a puller. As a Drive blocker he stops his feet on contact and so doesn't consistently finish. On Down blocks, he positions and fits well and makes the block functional, walling off the running lane but doesn't open a bigger lane. He does have fluid hips that allows him to roll his hips on contact too.

### **PROJECTION & RAVENS FIT**

**Projection** Starting RT who can play immediately due to his excellent pass protection, can make blocks functional in the run game.

Ravens Fit The Ravens need a starter at RT and that's exactly what Fisher can be in the league. Ideally the Ravens would want more of a mauler at the position, someone who moves people, or who can win in space and that's not what Fisher is. But, he's excellent in pass protection and given his traits, the hand usage, the anchor, and the leverage he plays with, that should translate to the NFL immediately. He doesn't have the ceiling of some of the other prospects in this class but he's more than solid in protecting the Quarterback. And while he doesn't move people in the run game, his blocks are often functional.



Ridiculous ceiling as a pass protector given size and athleticism. Struggles with play strength but does flash potential as a pass protector.
Run blocking is a work in progress with many deficiencies

### **PRODUCTION**

JR: 777 Snaps at LT SO: 901 Snaps at LT FR: 964 Snaps at LT

INJURY: Missed most of 2020 with foot/ankle injury

### RAVENS\_FIT

ATHLETICISM \$\frac{1}{4}\$

INTELLIGENCE \$\frac{1}{3}\$

VERSATILITY \$\frac{1}{2}\$

GRIT \$\frac{1}{2}\$

SCHEME \$\frac{1}{2}\$

# PATRICK PAUL OT HOUSTON 6-7 331 JR

#76 PERFORMANCE GRADE: 3.00 POTENTIAL GRADE: 3.58 POSITIONAL RANK: 11 ARM LENGTH: 36 1/4"//HAND SIZE: 9 3/8"//40YD: 5.13 (81%)//10YD: 1.77 (84%) VJ: 29" (71%)//BJ: N/A (%)//BP: 30 (93%)//SS: 4.71 (67%)//3C: 7.65 (77%)

Pass Blocking He has absolutely ludicrous size for the position including height weight and wingspan. He is not yet an expert at deploying that length in his pass protection as well as mitigating the challenges of being such a tall player in terms of leverage and play strength. He is slow out of his stance and rarely anticipates the snap which means he has to work harder to get to his landmark. When he has more time to do that on vertical sets he is in a better half-man relationship and is patient with his hands, they are therefore better timed. On jump sets he doesn't have to go too far anyway so it's less of a problem. But on 45 sets when he still needs to go some distance, it really messes with his timing and his play strength. It also means he has to chase a little bit, so his footwork is not as consistently efficient as it could be, as he pitches his feet up and down a bit too much. It is unavoidable that he will stand a little tall at times but on vertical and jump sets he will bring a little bit of bend into play. Normally, in these circumstances, his initial strike can be a little high, but this looks purposeful as he can then re-fit his hands and bring them down while torquing his elbows to create his own leverage. He doesn't do this consistently though and sometimes he can't re-fit his hands. This is specifically true against defenders with good length and upfield burst themselves as they don't give him time to re-fit his hands into a position which gives him more play strength. If the can corner too, they can really put him under duress. He can mirror well in vertical sets and despite the footwork deficiency, he uses his quick feet for his size to stay in front of the edge defender. On 45 sets, his timing is better, but his hand placement is far worse as his hands can be either far too high or far too wide. Defensive Linemen with good hand usage and length can get a strong paw into his outside shoulder and jack him up, losing all his leverage. He can also over-balance against more patient rushers and be beaten all ends up as he has to lunge at the defender and then bail to run the arc which he is inconsistent with doing well. He will shut down inside moves with a good power step, and picks up stunts with ease. He has a really easy anchor against all types of competition, even those with better play strength. Much bigger DL can challenge him but he'll compete, reset and stalemate.

Run Blocking His run blocking is enigmatic and seems to be devoid of much aggression or competitiveness. He is a marginally better Gap blocker than Zone blocker, but it's still not good. His attack step on Drive blocks is rarely in the direction it should be. He also can't fit his hands on Drive blocks. On Down blocks the fit is better but there's little finish, he can inconsistently make the block functional but there is so much to work on with his technique. His footwork as a puller is also poor and he can't position for blocks at the second level. This is also true of his blocks when running Zone, he doesn't move well at all in space, he struggles to locate defenders let alone position for blocks. There isn't much explosive strength to him in the running game, he's more of a mass running into people and there isn't much intent or purpose in his blocks. He's slow out of his stance when run blocking too and his footwork on reach blocks is not at all as it should be, he can reach less athletic 5 techniques.

### **PROJECTION & RAVENS FIT**

**Projection** Developmental project with Left Tackle athleticism, size and length but needs to sit and learn how to maximize his play strength and run block.

Ravens Fit The Ravens need a developmental Left Tackle and Paul has all the tools you need to be able to play that position long term. He also flashes the ability to pass protect at a high level now. However, there are too many things NFL rushers could take advantage of for him to be an immediate starter and he wouldn't be nearly functional in the run game to fill any holes for the Ravens on the OL on day one. He's got a very high ceiling as a pass protector and that will always be alluring but I wonder if he will ever be a good enough run blocker to really fit well with the Ravens offense.



Tough eval given his level of competition. Excellent size and reach for the position and has good athleticism. Dominates in pass pro but could have some issues at the next level

### **PRODUCTION**

SR: 234 Snaps at LT JR: 661 Snaps at LT SO: 669 Snaps at LG

INJURY: Missed 6 games (SR) with Quad injury

### RAVENS FIT

ATHLETICISM \$\frac{1}{4}\$
INTELLIGENCE \$\frac{1}{3}\$
VERSATILITY \$\frac{1}{3}\$
GRIT \$\frac{1}{4}\$
SCHEME \$\frac{1}{3}\$

# KIRAN AMEGADJIE

**OT YALE 6-5 323 SR** 

#50 PERFORMANCE GRADE: 3.75 POTENTIAL GRADE: 4.08 POSITIONAL RANK: 9 ARM LENGTH: 36 1/8"//HAND SIZE: 9 5/8"// 40YD: N/A (%)//10YD: N/A (%) VJ: N/A (%)//BJ: N/A (%)//BP: 21 (43%)//SS: N/A (%)//3C: N/A (%)

Pass Blocking Really tough evaluation because he was so much bigger than most of the Defensive Linemen in the lvy League. Big disclaimer that much of this evaluation is based on a small sample size of facing very few guys who look like they have good traits themselves, or by projecting based on his technique in different situations. He gets out of his stance quickly and anticipates the snap. He has efficient footwork in his pass sets, his vertical set especially looks very smooth. There are times in different game situations when he might have had some threat upfield established by the DL that he can rush his kickslide a little and his feet can come too close together. His hands are very good but it's tough to see him take on anyone that physically matches him or has good enough hand usage themselves to challenge him. He looks to have good grip strength and defenders struggle to disengage. What you absolutely can give him credit for is the way he deploys his reach advantage, both working with independent hands and on two handed-strikes, he has very good hand placement and timing. The few times you see someone have a good rep against him with their hands, if it is combined with some lateral explosion, you can see them get to the edge against him and put him under some duress but his physical tools allow him to recover. This is normally when his hands miss which they can when working an inside strike in jump sets. He hasn't faced many good counters, but when he does he is able to re-fit his hands and reengage, he also mirrors well in this situation and maintains the half-man. Projecting a little on inside moves, he may struggle dealing with guys who set up their moves well as they will likely be able to roll through the half-man. He relies so much on his upper body strength to deal with them in college and can get by because of the level of competition but he doesn't open hips quickly enough or have a solid enough post foot to power step. It's also true when he uses an outside strike, which is good but rarely challenged. He has an easy anchor and he drops it quickly when rushers try to use speed to power, definitely thick and powerful enough for this to play at the next level. He could do a better job identifying and passing off stunts.

**Run Blocking** When he's in closer quarters, he can dominate the point of attack. This most often shows up on Down and Drive blocks. In these blocks he can position, fit and finish with remarkable power and drive guys a long way off the point of attack. You want to see him dominate the Ivy League to be a day two prospect and in this phase of his game he certainly does. The initial pop in his Drive block especially is a sight to see and he has real explosive strength to help him hit, lift and drive. For Down blocks he can roll his hips on contact and bend the defender to his will. When he's pulling and is able to round the corner with an angle on the defender he can position, fit and finish. He has good speed and it helps him in space but he doesn't fit the block well when he's out in more space, facing quicker guys who are good moving laterally. He doesn't bring his feet with him and therefore overbalances, waist bends and loses all play strength in the rep. Doesn't run much Zone, footwork needs work on Reach blocks, his slide step is backwards so he's never in control of the rep.

### **PROJECTION & RAVENS FIT**

**Projection** Developmental starting LT who may be able to start early with a steep learning curve given physical tools.

Ravens Fit The Ravens have not been shy of taking perceived "riskier" prospects early, as long as they have the upside that they can develop. Amegadjie has all the tools to make a very good OT. Also, Tackles taken outside the first half of the 1st round are normally more successful if they have a higher ceiling but a flawed game up to this point. Amegadjie is actually more technically refined than some of the other prospects taken on Day 2 recently, we just don't know as well how his play will translate. I would take a flier on him on Day 2, given the OT need and I suspect the Ravens would too.



Right Tackle prospect with a number of deficiencies in pass pro that need attention, specifically his strategy and mixing up his approach. Good space blocker

### **PRODUCTION**

SO: 984 Snaps at RT FR: 951 Snaps at RT

INJURY: None

### **RAVENS FIT**

ATHLETICISM \$\square\$5
INTELLIGENCE \$\square\$3
VERSATILITY \$\square\$2
GRIT \$\square\$4
SCHEME \$\square\$3

# ROGER ROSENGARTEN OT WASHINGTON 6-5 308 RS SO

#73 PERFORMANCE GRADE: 3.83 POTENTIAL GRADE: 4.17 POSITIONAL RANK: 8 ARM LENGTH: 33 1/2"//HAND SIZE: 9 5/8"// 40YD: 4.92 (98%)//10YD: 1.72 (95%) VJ: 30" (80%)//BJ: 9'05" (96%)//BP: 20 (35%)//SS: 4.60 (86%)//3C: N/A (%)

Pass Blocking He's quick out of his stance with some explosion but this results in the first challenge with his pass protection. In vertical sets when he needs to explode from the line to get depth quickly while in his kick-slide, he can over-set and give up his inside to pass-rushers who set up an inside move well, or have good lateral quickness or who can work an inside power move. His main strategy is to 45 set and work a two-handed strike. In this circumstance and on the whole his hand placement is good but his hand timing is not at all consistent. Once he's engaged in 45 sets he will mirror well and has good latch strength to stay engaged against rushers with active hands. Once he is engaged he can pitch his feet up and down a little and can leave him susceptible to power moves. What he normally likes to do is get an initial pop on the defender to send him wide and then get his hands on after this. He does this to play into his strength with his speed and allows him to run the arc with the defender if he needs to. When he does this though his technique goes awry, it isn't controlled mirroring but is chaotic chasing, and more savvy rushers will be able to take advantage of this. With this being his main strategy he is far too one-dimensional and needs to mix up his approach. If he does work with independent hands, it's usually an outside strike but this can leave him open to an attack using a cross chop from defenders with better moves and a good rush plan. He can also get in trouble with longer-rushers where he doesn't have the reach advantage or even parity. It's this reason why you'd like to see him develop more of an inside strike to help him when he doesn't have the length to compete. When he jump sets, his hands are still well placed but they aren't well-timed and that is a problem against Defensive Linemen with good hand usage, he won't get his hands on first and can get into trouble guickly. Finally on the technique deficiencies, when rushers bring speed to power against his vertical sets, his hands can just crumple and the DL is able to get close into his pads and work moves off this. He will work to re-fit his hands and this is a strength of his and he's able to reset and re-anchor when the DL tries to work to a bull rush counter. He's tough, has good power and has some things to work with given his hand placement and athletic ability but needs to work on a lot of smaller areas of his game. Mixing up his approach from down to down will help him a lot. Good processing, sees stunts, passes off and overtakes well.

**Run Blocking** He comes under control well in space and then positions and fits the block expertly when working at the second level. This is true when he's climbing to the second level, out on screen passes or as a puller. He doesn't spend himself getting to his man and leaves enough to bring his feet with him and get latched onto smaller, nimbler defenders. He's often looking to drive people off the ball and off their feet. He doesn't fit Drive or Down blocks as well as he doesn't fit the block by getting his hands on first and can lose at the point of attack as a result. He is powerful though and when he's fan blocking, he can turn the defender to his will. On Reach blocks for Outside Zone either back-side or play-side, his Slide step is good but his footwork after that is a mess and he can't get his hips square to finish.

### **PROJECTION & RAVENS FIT**

**Projection** Developmental RT who will fit better in a heavier Zone scheme but needs development in pass protection technique and strategy.

Ravens Fit With the Ravens need at OT, now referenced several times in this guide, they should consider Rosengarten. The price must be right as he doesn't have the ideal length and mass they look for at the position. Length isn't a problem on its own, it's when that length can be exploited on film and you don't have a strategy to minimize the impact. Both things are true of Rosengarten who must mix up his approach in pass pro. This may be the silver bullet that fixes some of his issues but he has a number to resolve. He couldn't start straight away but the potential with his athletic ability is intriguing.



Long and athletic versatile lineman who could start at multiple positions. Likely multi-year starter at G but could play T if he fixes a number of issues. Unorthodox but solid run blocker. Competes.

### **PRODUCTION**

SR: 465 Snaps at LT, 255 at LG

JR: 997 Snaps at LT SO: 432 Snaps at LG

INJURY: Season-ending injury

in 2020

### **RAVENS FIT**

ATHLETICISM \$\frac{1}{2}5\$
INTELLIGENCE \$\frac{1}{2}4\$
VERSATILITY \$\frac{1}{2}5\$
GRIT \$\frac{1}{2}5\$
SCHEME \$\frac{1}{2}5\$

# BRANDON COLEMAN OL TCU 6-4 313 SR

#77 PERFORMANCE GRADE: 4.42 POTENTIAL GRADE: 4.58 POSITIONAL RANK: 4 ARM LENGTH: 34 5/8"//HAND SIZE: 10 3/4"// 40YD: 4.99 (95%)//10YD: 1.73 (93%) VJ: 34" (98%)//BJ: 9'06" (97%)//BP: N/A (%)//SS: 4.62 (83%)//3C: 7.40 (95%)

Pass Blocking This evaluation is about his ability to play OT, he's played Guard and Tackle at TCU. Many of the issues he faces in his transition to the pros were less pronounced playing inside but he has the body type and athletic tools to play outside. Having said that, there are a number of issues to fix in pass protection he wins at the college level with outstanding competitiveness, hand fighting and recovery skills. In vertical sets, he doesn't bend well and it means that his hand placement can end up high on the defender's shoulders. This opens him up to bull rush counters and to explosive rushers who can get to the edge and corner against him. His feet are quick and he has plenty of explosion and speed to produce a good kickslide in vertical sets but his feet aren't as efficient as they could be as he doesn't maintain his contact with the ground to maximize his play strength when he plays against speed rushers. This is normally out of necessity against more explosive rushers because when he does play with efficient feet, which he has shown he can, he can't get to his landmark to intersect the rusher and resorts to bailing and chasing them up the arc. He doesn't yet deploy the length he does have effectively and longer rushers can get their hands on first and look like they have a reach advantage but he has long levers himself. A well-timed and aimed cross chop can neutralize his outside hand and put the pass-rusher at an early advantage. All of the deficiencies mentioned though are struggles he has initially in the rep, they can, on occasion, turn into a win for the edge guy with pressure on the QB. But they far more frequently end up in a win for Coleman, that's because he competes to stay in the rep constantly. He has outstanding re-fit of his hands so when he is disengaged from early, he can lock on at the second or even third attempt and keep the pocket clean. As part of this he has good recovery skills from uncompromising positions, he can swat away hands with an accurate swipe and immediately engage, and he has an effective snatch and trap move. Many of the challenges he faces are not as amplified when he plays in closer quarters, either inside at Guard or in jump sets.

**Run Blocking** As a run blocker, his footwork is unorthodox and it means he's inconsistent across different types of blocks. His footwork is often chaotic and there is little measure and control with the steps he takes to position and fit blocks. On Fan blocks, Drive blocks and Down blocks, where he's not needing to change direction, his happy feet actually help the block because it means his feet are active on contact and it allows him to finish most of these blocks and make them functional, although he doesn't demonstrate explosive strength, and doesn't uncoil leverage. On Reach blocks, he doesn't execute a good slide step and it hinders his positioning for the block, although it's closer quarters so his upper body strength comes into play. On pulls or in space when he has to turn a more significant corner is when the footwork hurts his finishing. When he moves in a linear fashion at the second level, he's proficient at fitting and finishing blocks on 2<sup>nd</sup> level defenders. He releases too early to the second level on combo blocks and doesn't help enough on the seal at the line.

### **PROJECTION & RAVENS FIT**

**Projection** Versatile starter in the league, can definitely play at Guard and will be scheme diverse, should be given a chance in rookie contract to play OT.

Ravens Fit The Ravens want to walk out of this Draft with multiple Offensive Linemen, and a versatile guy or two would not go amiss. Coleman won't cost a 1<sup>st</sup> rounder and could also make it to the 3<sup>rd</sup> but his testing numbers likely have him slated higher on some teams' boards. He has so many issues to fix in pass pro, but all the kid did was compete his tail off and managed to recover from what looked like many lost causes on film. His issues were far less of a problem when he played inside and he likely starts there immediately but should get a chance outside. His grit and versatility (he's a team captain too) fits the Ravens.



Plug and play Left Guard, good on jump sets, nice inside strike, good anchor in pass pro. Great mover in space and sticks blocks on 2<sup>nd</sup> level defenders. Great puller

### **PRODUCTION**

SR: 728 Snaps at LT JR: 848 Snaps at LG

INJURY: Missed 2 games due to hip injury 2021

### **RAVENS FIT**

ATHLETICISM \$\frac{1}{4}\$

INTELLIGENCE \$\frac{1}{4}\$

VERSATILITY \$\frac{1}{5}\$

GRIT \$\frac{1}{4}\$

SCHEME \$\frac{1}{5}\$

# DOMINICK PUNI

IOL KANSAS 6-5 303 SR

#67 PERFORMANCE GRADE: 4.42 POTENTIAL GRADE: 4.50 POSITIONAL RANK: 5 ARM LENGTH: 33 3/8"//HAND SIZE: 10 1/8"// 40YD: 5.35 (51%)//10YD: 1.85 (52%) VJ: 30" (86%)//BJ: 8'11" (84%)//BP: 26 (71%)//SS: 4.40 (99%)//3C: 7.47 (95%)

Pass Blocking He's an explosive athlete for his size and the position and he gets out of his stance quickly in pass protection. He played Guard and Tackle but does seem more suited to playing inside at the next level given the two different years of tape we have to go on. His best strategy to adopt in pass protection is a jump set working with independent hands and an inside strike. His inside strike is remarkably consistently well placed and well timed allowing him to control his opponent in spite of the counters they might throw at him. He's patient in response to counters and is able to re-fit his hands if the defender disengages from him. He also has a good changeup with his two-handed strike on jump sets where he can shoot his hands inside and demonstrate his grip strength - he is hard for interior DL to disengage him once he gets his hands on. His outside strike can be a little wide with it's placement, it's less frequently used, it can allow DL with better hand usage to threaten his outside but he can bring his inside hand in to help him recover. His recovery skills in general are good, he mirrors well when he is engaged and is able to change direction comfortably - he has excellent reactive athleticism when he has to move laterally. If he's in slide protection and has to move further inside to block a 0 technique, he can drop his head and savvy inside rushers can take advantage of this. When he's reacting to counters, facing a bull rush, facing speed to power or facing speed from distance, he's able to drop a very good anchor and is rarely in trouble with power. One thing that does creep in on jump sets and is more pronounced on vertical sets is his pad level - he doesn't consistently sink his hips and maintain leverage and it puts him in some trouble against better pass-rushers. Speaking of this, when he's in vertical sets, he crosses his feet to make it to his landmark and pitches his feet up and down too much. Against bigger DL with good upfield burst and good hand usage, if they can affect his inside hand with better timing or good placement to prevent him landing it or dislodging him, they can put him in trouble.

**Run Blocking** He excels in space because of his explosion and change of direction ability. He is so patient when getting out to the second level, can create angles for himself and sticks blocks on second level defenders, often finishing and flattening them. He springs big runs because of his prowess in space, and this will be invaluable at the nest level if it can translate, which it should. Staying with Zone blocking, on the back-side of Outside Zone, he can reach a 1 technique, with or without help and wall off from the runner. On the play-side he can reach anything inside of a 5 technique. On Gap blocks, there is exceptional power when he meets a defender in the hole after pulling from the Guard position. He moves so well laterally, locates and positions well. He has an impressive hit rate in making blocks as a puller. He can lift and drive when he meets the defender and at worst makes the block functional. He positions, fits and finishes on Down and Drive blocks. His footwork is technically very good, he won't dominate as a mauler but he will be able to steer the defender at the point of attack and make the block functional.

### **PROJECTION & RAVENS FIT**

**Projection** Should be a long-term starting Guard in the league, will work best in a scheme that features IZ, Duo and Counter heavily.

Ravens Fit Puni is a really good scheme fit for where it feels like the Ravens are heading. He's an exceptional puller and it does seem as though Counter will continue to be a staple of their running game, but he's also really good in space and you can likely count on the Ravens continuing to increase their Zone blocking rate. He has some work to do as a pass protector to be able to mix up his approach against savvier Defensive Linemen but he should hold up well early. Immediate starter on the interior of the Offensive Line, likely at Left Guard, given how good his inside strike is with his right hand.



Efficient feet in pass pro, good hand placement. Must work on hand timing, but is a good pass protector with a good anchor. Solid run blocker – better in Gap. Versatile iOL

### **PRODUCTION**

SR: 819 Snaps at LG, 103 at RT

JR: 919 Snaps at LG SO: 734 Snaps at LT FR: 373 Snaps at RT

INJURY: None

### RAVENS FIT

ATHLETICISM \$\frac{1}{4}\$
INTELLIGENCE \$\frac{1}{4}\$
VERSATILITY \$\frac{1}{5}\$
GRIT \$\frac{1}{4}\$
SCHEME \$\frac{1}{4}\$

# COOPER BEEBE IOL KANSAS STATE 6-3 322 SR

#50 PERFORMANCE GRADE: 4.33 POTENTIAL GRADE: 4.50 POSITIONAL RANK: 6 ARM LENGTH: 31 1/2"//HAND SIZE: 9 1/4"// 40YD: 5.03 (94%)//10YD: 1.74 (93%) VJ: 27 1/2" (63%)//BJ: 9'1" (91%)//BP: 20 (28%)//SS: 4.61 (88%)//3C: 7.44 (96%)

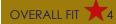
Pass Blocking The first thing you notice about Beebe's pass protection is his efficient feet. He maintains contact with the ground and keeps a good, wide base; it helps him play with consistently good play strength. He has quick feet too and he's always in control, and always plays with leverage. He isn't the quickest out of his stance. He's patient in pass protection and very rarely over-commits, even when he is at an athletic disadvantage. When he's in a vertical set he's able to take advantage of his footwork and he mirrors even more athletic linemen with ease. In 45 sets, he stops his feet after the two kicks and ends up compromising the half-man against savvier pass-rushers, if they have lateral quickness and good hands, they can take advantage of it. His hand placement is very good on two-handed strikes as well as when he's working with independent hands and using an inside strike. When he works with his inside hand, he is able to latch and steer the defender, he stays well in control of reps using this strategy. He has inconsistent hand timing however, he isn't always first to make contact, and when it happens against Defensive Linemen with good hand usage, he loses his great body position and waist-bends. Against better pass-rushing interior defenders who can deploy more effective moves against him, he can have his outside hand dislodged by a good club-rip move or cross-chop. He'll compete at the top of the rush though with his foot speed and play strength to keep the QB clean. When he's challenged by a bull rush from an NFL level interior defender and put in some trouble early in the rep, he can get his hands relatched, keeps his wide base, can reset his feet if needed and drops a good anchor. He can also do this against speed to power or blitzing defenders coming from a distance. His recovery skills are generally good, both in re-fitting his hands when he gets challenged by defenders with good hands but also with his body control and foot speed to get back square when he's in a compromising position. He works well in combination with other linemen in pass protection, he's a good processor, facing down DL with good plans, he can bait them to help him get his hands on with good timing. He's tough, he's nasty and he looks for work.

**Run Blocking** As a Gap blocker he's excellent on Drive blocks, he can position well with good footwork, his fit is excellent and he can lift and steer the defender, often ending up several yards off the line of scrimmage. This is also true on Down blocks where he's able to drive the defender well off the ball. As a puller he's good when he comes across the formation and makes a hit at the line of scrimmage, he's not quite as consistent with his positioning if he has to turn the corner and round deep into the second level. He has very good acceleration when getting out to block in space. If he has an angle initially or is moving straight up to block a LB at the second level then he can position, fit and finish, looking to drive smaller defenders off their feet. When he's working a combination block, he needs to be more aware of Linebackers coming up to the play the run and release earlier to make his second level block. He can reach a 3 technique in Outside Zone, gets his hands on early and can work around him.

### **PROJECTION & RAVENS FIT**

**Projection** Starting Guard, best fit in an offense that runs more Gap than Zone, will also work in a scheme that runs 50/50 or not much more Zone than Gap.

Ravens Fit With the Ravens likely to run more of a Zone offense, Beebe won't be as good a fit as he was under Greg Roman but it's hard to imagine a complete flip of the script where the Ravens offense becomes so Zone heavy that Beebe would be a bad scheme fit. On top of this, he's extremely versatile, he was often moved around the Offensive Line in-game at Kansas State, including from left to right side, without much drop-off in play. I doubt he could play Tackle at the next level but he could play all three positions on the interior if needed and they will value that with holes at both Guard spots.





### DEFENSIVE LINE

Having just paid Justin Madubuike, the Ravens are unlikely to invest in a high pick on the interior Defensive Line, or are they? It was only two years ago that they drafted Kyle Hamilton after they signed Marcus Williams to a big deal in Free Agency, in addition to the presence of Chuck Clark as a leader of the defense at the Safety position.

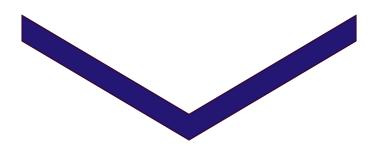
The reason the Ravens countenanced the move for Hamilton though, was because of his precipitous fall in that Draft, given he was one of the best players in the class. That won't be true at pick 30, they are cut too far adrift of the top prospects in the class, but, the top members of the interior Defensive Line class might fall to 30.

The interior Defensive Line class is talented at the top, with role players throughout. T'Vondre Sweat is my highest ranked interior Defensive Lineman but that's mostly for his skills as a 0 technique, I would say he's worth pick 30 but isn't the ideal scenario because of the positional value. Johnny Newton though, is a different case and his pass-rush upside might be a high risk-high reward pick at 30.

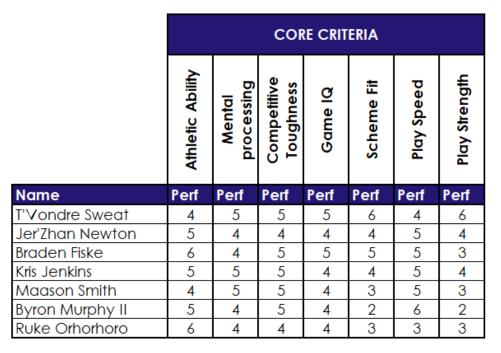
Current Spending: 9.55% of Cap//Ranks 27<sup>th</sup> in the NFL Returning Players: Brent Urban, Justin Madubuike, Broderick Washington, Michael Pierce, Travis Jones, Bravvion Roy, Rayshad Nichols

Defensive Line Rankings: (Perf = Performance, Pot = Potential)

Name	School	Total Perf	Total Pot
T'Vondre Sweat	Texas	4.67	4.75
Jer'Zhan Newton	Illinois	4.50	4.75
Braden Fiske	Florida State	4.42	4.83
Kris Jenkins	Michigan	4.33	4.50
Maason Smith	LSU	4.08	4.42
Byron Murphy II	Texas	4.08	4.33
Ruke Orhorhoro	Clemson	3.50	4.17

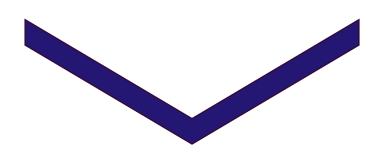






Detailed Defensive Line Criteria Grading (Position Criteria applies to DL/Edge only)

	DL CRITERIA									
		Uptield Burst	Pass Rush		vs. Run		Use of Hands (UoH)		Pursuit	
Name	Perf	Pot	Perf	Pot	Perf	Pot	Perf	Pot	Perf	Pot
T'Vondre Sweat	4	4	4	4	5	6	6	6	2	2
Jer'Zhan Newton	5	6	5	6	4	5	6	6	4	4
Braden Fiske	6	6	3	5	2	4	4	5	5	5
Kris Jenkins	4	4	2	3	4	5	5	5	5	5
Maason Smith	6	6	3	5	4	5	3	4	4	4
Byron Murphy II	6	6	4	5	2	3	4	5	5	5
Ruke Orhorhoro	3	5	3	5	3	4	2	4	4	5





Scarily explosive interior passrusher who has a devastating cross-chop, effective counters and elite finish on the QB. Good backside run defender, could use power more effectively vs run

### **PRODUCTION**

JR: 8 Sacks, 7 QB Hits, 33 Total Tackles, 2 FF SO: 4 Sacks, 19 QB Hits, 37 Total Tackles

INJURY: None

### **RAVENS FIT**

ATHLETICISM \$\frac{1}{4}\$
INTELLIGENCE \$\frac{1}{4}\$
VERSATILITY \$\frac{1}{2}\$
GRIT \$\frac{1}{4}\$
SCHEME \$\frac{1}{3}\$

# JER'ZHAN NEWTON

### DL ILLINOIS 6-1 304 JR

#4 PERFORMANCE GRADE: 4.50 POTENTIAL GRADE: 4.75 POSITIONAL RANK: 2 ARM LENGTH: 32 3/8"//HAND SIZE: 9 1/2"//40YD: N/A (%)//10YD: N/A (%) VJ: N/A (%)//BJ: N/A (%)//BP: N/A (%)//SS: N/A (%)//3C: N/A (%)

Context Plays 4i with a handful of snaps at 3 and 1 tech, as a one-gap penetrator.

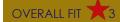
Pass Rush He has outstanding upfield burst, he reads run/pass well in most situations and gets off the ball scarily quickly. He has very good explosion and puts Offensive Linemen in immediate peril with his speed off the ball. He has outstanding hand usage and combines with an excellent pass rush plan to be a dangerous interior rusher. His rush plan is not multi-faceted, but it is refined and the limited pitch-mix he employs is hugely effective. His fastball is undoubtedly his cross-chop, which is devastating. When Offensive Linemen begin to over-compensate to protect themselves against the cross-chop, which they must do, he has effective counters where he's able to take advantage and turn blockers. His hand usage is technically excellent, something he utilizes well in both phases of the game. As a pass-rusher he uses it to employ an effective bull-rush which he's able to execute despite the lack of ideal size in his frame because of the leverage he's able to exert as a result of his precise hand placement. His hands are also fast and violent and he's able to push-pull Offensive Linemen when he needs to. The most impressive part of his pass rush is his finish. He regularly controls the upper arm and shoulder of the blocker, with an effective rip and swim move to finish. He also understands body mechanics and that great interior pass-rushers turn their hips and shoulders well to corner and affect the QB. A real threat on stunts.

Vs Run He has equally good upfield burst against the run, even on neutral downs. His explosion and ability to penetrate quickly and bench press the Offensive Linemen is the way he is most destructive against the run. His hand usage is the main reason for this, he strikes fast and with remarkable accuracy adjusting his aiming point to the height of the blocker. When facing straight up 1-on-1 gap blocks he's able to control the point of attack with his hand usage and maintain gap discipline. When facing double teams, he can get pinned and fails to occupy the blockers and prevent vertical movement from the blockers. Against more complex Gap runs, he struggles to diagnose blocks quickly and it affects his play strength in these scenarios. When he's play-side and facing zone runs he doesn't diagnose quickly enough and so his hands are neutralized and he can't lock out to gain leverage, so could play with more torque through his lower body in those situations. Has great pursuit on the backside of zone runs.

### **PROJECTION & RAVENS FIT**

**Projection** Starting disruptive 4i pass-rusher in a one-gap penetrating scheme.

Ravens Fit Rewind a few years ago and the Ravens would only have considered Newton if he fell considerably and represented outstanding value. Justin Madubuike and Mike McDonald's versatile scheme has changed that. They have found a way to get the best out of Madubuike's talents and Newton is arguably more polished coming out than Madubuike. He is undersized but he knows how to create leverage and the Ravens would back themselves to get the best out of Newton by fixing some of the challenges he currently faces in playing the run. All the potential is there to be a good run defender, you see him control the point of attack. His ceiling as a pass-rusher is special.



Massive DT who won't look out of place as a penetrating 3 tech as well as run-stuffing, two-gapping nose. Immoveable in the run game with some potential as a pass-rusher

### **PRODUCTION**

SR: 2 Sacks, 3 QB Hits, 44 Total

Tackles, 2 FF

JR: 4 QB Hits, 33 Total Tackles

INJURY: None

### RAVENS FIT

ATHLETICISM \$\frac{1}{4}\$

INTELLIGENCE \$\frac{1}{4}\$

VERSATILITY \$\frac{1}{5}\$

GRIT \$\frac{1}{5}\$

SCHEME \$\frac{1}{5}\$

# T'VONDRE SWEAT

**DL** TEXAS 6-4 362 SR

#93 PERFORMANCE GRADE: 4.67 POTENTIAL GRADE: 4.75 POSITIONAL RANK: 1 ARM LENGTH: 33 1/4"//HAND SIZE: 10 1/8"// 40YD: 5.27 (31%)//10YD: 1.80 (46%) VJ: 26" (26%)//BJ: 8'2" (19%)//BP: N/A (%)//SS: N/A (%)//3C: N/A (%)

Context Plays 3, 2 and 1 technique, very rarely, if ever plays as 0 technique.

Pass Rush In obvious passing situations he has excellent upfield burst given his enormous size, he can match, if not beat other defenders off the ball in comparison across the line. He's actually also excellent at softening angles to roll through the half man against the Guard when lined up as a three technique. What helps him come into his own as a pass-rusher, despite his size, is his hand usage, which is exceptional. He has remarkably powerful hands, that are always well placed and well timed. From there he can turn his blocker due to his sheer play strength but more often than not he will engage a solid rush plan. He marries his hands and feet well to create space and gives even fleet-footed interior Offensive Linemen trouble when facing him one-on-one. He has an excellent jump-chop move that he can use to win quickly and has enough bend to get to the edge. When at the edge, he can use a swim or rip to finish the move and will throw his hand back to make a more efficient turn to the Quarterback. He does have limited hip fluidity so when he does turn the corner, he will only lay a finger on the QB if he's unable to step up in the pocket. If the QB is mobile, has good pocket awareness and slides up in the pocket, he's not able to round the corner again and chase him down from behind. He doesn't look to simply push the pocket as a passrusher, he wants to win with his hands and has enough foot speed and good lateral movement to clear his counterpart and affect the passing game.

Vs Run He is an excellent run defender and is often near-immoveable at the point of attack. He continues to use his excellent hand placement as well as the power and torque in his hands to dominate all types of Offensive Linemen. He diagnoses most types of blocks and can beat them quickly. He is tremendously difficult to cut-block and uses his foot speed and hands to stay clean and make plays on the ball-carrier. Against double teams, he's able to both reset the level of the first blocker to engage with him as well as use the corkscrew technique to reduce his surface area. In either instance he will consistently occupy double teams, preventing vertical movement and more often than not, he will split the double team and make a play on the ball carrier at the line of scrimmage or in the backfield. His play strength in this regard is remarkable, as he's able to even lose his technique somewhat and still remain resolute against two blockers. If the OL do get some semblance of a seal on him at the line of scrimmage, the man releasing to the second level has to time it perfectly or Sweat will end up with a two-way go on the man left blocking him. He always has his eyes in the backfield to make a play on the ball carrier. He's extremely tough to down block as he sees it coming and his sheer mass and play strength is very difficult to move for even the strongest OL matched up with him. Sometimes against trap blocks and vs gap runs where pullers overtake him, he can get pinned inside but it's a huge compliment that you have to scheme so hard against him in the run game. Physically tough, competitive, and high motor.

### **PROJECTION & RAVENS FIT**

**Projection** Starting DT, scheme diverse, doesn't play much true Nose at Texas but undoubtedly could do it, would not be out of place in a one-gap scheme.

Ravens Fit It's no secret that the Ravens had some interest in Jordan Davis two years ago, so they haven't abandoned their pursuit of behemoth Defensive Linemen. Davis hasn't entirely worked out yet in Philadelphia, Sweat is not quite as athletic as Davis was but he's just as intriguing as an immoveable object against the run and somewhat of a force as a pass-rusher. He has outstanding hand usage in both phases and could be a genuine pass-rusher at the next level as well as a demon run defender. The heir to Michael Pierce and could be worth a high pick due to the potential impact on the passing game.



If he can unlock more of his power with better technique, the ceiling is really high due to his explosion/athleticism. Needs some work with more complex run schemes

### **PRODUCTION**

SR: 5 Sacks, 4 QB Hits, 19 Total **Tackles** 

JR: 3 Sacks, 3 QB Hits, 18 Total

Tackles, X FF

INJURY: SO - Knee Meniscus Surgery (Missed 8 Games)

### **RAVENS FIT**

ATHLETICISM 75 INTELLIGENCE 73 VERSATILITY 73 GRIT 74 SCHEME 73

# RUKE ORHORHORO

DL CLEMSON 6-4 294 SR

#33 PERFORMANCE GRADE: 3.50 POTENTIAL GRADE: 4.17 POSITIONAL RANK: 7 ARM LENGTH: 34"//HAND SIZE: 9 3/8"//40YD: 4.89 (94%)//10YD: 1.67 (96%) VJ: 32" (89%)//BJ: 9'8" (97%)//BP: 29 (81%)//SS: 4.50 (87%)//3C: 7.39 (90%)

Context Over his final season averages more time at 3 technique but did play up and down the line from 0 to 7. Clemson set their line differently across the season.

Pass Rush Orhorhoro is a really tough evaluation because of how differently Clemson set their defensive front from game to game, he was asked to do many different things and it affected his play in different facets of the game. He's extremely athletic with elite explosion and good speed for his size, that means he has one ingredient to give him elite upfield burst. You also need mental processing to complete your play speed on this, and in some games against different opponents, you can see him demonstrate his ability to do this. But when he was dealing with a more complex offense, more complex assignment and facing more threats on the other side of the line, his game slowed down. He's got a good second and third step and can roll through the half man when he gets off well. His upfield burst and his pass rush were generally better when he was playing from a wider alignment, normally 3 technique or further outside. This is because he's able to time his strike on the Offensive Linemen more effectively, when playing further inside at 0 technique, in closer quarters, his engages too quickly and lets the OL into his body. He consistently has good placement with his strike but he's inconsistent with his ability to play with leverage. He struggles to lock out, playing with his elbows bent, a high pad level and consequently less play strength than he should. He started to develop a more effective plan as his Senior season went on, mainly he was able to marry his feet and explosion with his hands more effectively, deploying his best weapon in his athleticism. He also began to develop and effective cross chop when deployed from those more outside alignments, as well as his signature club swim move. He has some power when bull-rushing but he doesn't maximize it because of his play strength deficiency. He could certainly still stand to use his hands more as a pass rusher and continue to use his lateral explosion to keep the OL off-balance. He has a pretty good batting average in getting QBs to the ground and can finish on most types of QB.

Vs Run When he faces more idiosyncratic Zone blocking schemes, he can get off the ball quickly and get into position to take away the primary rush lane without compromising the integrity of the unit. He can read the play quickly and use his explosion to beat reach blocks and double teams, though if you latch on a double team to him he won't easily occupy it. Against more complex running schemes with more Gap blocking, he doesn't read the play as quickly and the challenges with his hand usage and play strength come back into it. But his explosion and brute force make him a weapon as a penetrator against the run.

### **PROJECTION & RAVENS FIT**

**Projection** Can be a starter with a high ceiling as a 3 technique in a 1 gap defense where you can get creative on stunts and alignments.

Ravens Fit The Ravens have many things they look for in a player, one thing they prioritize now is harder to measure on film; a growth mindset and the ability to get better, which you must do as a prospect once you get to the league. It's likely better measured through old-fashioned scouting or interviews but you can see it sometimes on tape. Orhorhoro is one of those guys who you see develop across his senior season, especially when Clemson set their front differently that accentuated his skills. There are other things that fit the Ravens, and while he needs a lot more development, at the right cost, the Ravens will be interested.



Pass rush potential is scary because of explosion and violent, active hands. Run defense needs a lot of work, doesn't play with ideal play strength. Athleticism gives him a high upside

### **PRODUCTION**

SR: 6 Sacks, 3 QB Hits, 22 Total

Tackles

JR: 1 Sack, 2 QB Hits, 33 Total

Tackles

INJURY: None

### **RAVENS FIT**

ATHLETICISM \$\square\$5
INTELLIGENCE \$\square\$4
VERSATILITY \$\square\$3
GRIT \$\square\$4
SCHEME \$\square\$2

# BYRON MURPHY II

**DL** TEXAS 6-0 297 JR

#90 PERFORMANCE GRADE: 4.08 POTENTIAL GRADE: 4.33 POSITIONAL RANK: 6 ARM LENGTH: 32 3/8"//HAND SIZE: 10 1/4"//40YD: 4.87 (95%)//10YD: 1.69 (92%) VJ: 33" (94%)//BJ: 9'3" (85%)//BP: 28 (76%)//SS: 4.50 (87%)//3C: 7.50 (81%)

Context Splits time between 0 technique and 2/3 technique.

Pass Rush Has frightening athleticism, particularly his vertical explosion, combined with a good ability to read run-pass and he's quite consistent in the exceptional upfield burst he shows from down to down. His 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> step are equally good and it allows him to roll through the half-man. When he gets to the Offensive Linemen, he has well timed, well placed and remarkably violent hands that he can use to turn his blocker. He has a good plan for setting the OL up and keeping him off-balance, using his footwork and lateral explosion to keep the OL guessing and getting him to over-commit before winning emphatically with his hands. He's able to get onto the back shoulder of Offensive Linemen with alarming regularity, even the better OL he faced in college struggled to deal with his explosive ability and the power in his hands. His most effective move is his club which is powerful and knocks Offensive Linemen off balance. He's also able to convert speed to power and does have a straight bull rush but this can be countered by those OL with the ability to reset and re-anchor at a high level. But the his change of direction with his feet combined with his violent, fast, active hands are his fastball and they're a handful. He moves like someone 50lbs lighter and this works particularly well on stunts where he can be too quick for Tackles as well as interior Offensive Linemen and he can corner well once he gets round the edge of the blocker, he has good finish to disengage and come free to the Quarterback but he's more likely to pressure Quarterbacks than get a hit or a sack as QBs are able tom escape him in the pocket. He is relentless and has a high motor. OL that match his athleticism and process the game well are able to compete with him.

Vs Run As a run defender, it's a different story. His upfield burst is still good and as a 1-gap penetrator, he can end a running play in the blink of an eye. But he is a work in progress against most type of blocks. Against Gap blocks, he only reads the play quickly if the puller vacates across from him, in other situations, he won't see down blocks coming and exposes his numbers to get washed completely out of the play. Against Zone blocking, he can get reached even by OL playing inside of him. When facing double teams, he shows the beginnings of the technique to occupy double teams but when he corkscrews his leg, he still gives up too much of his surface area to block and can collapse under the weight of the two blockers. The main challenge he has is with his hand usage, while he still places and times his strike well, when he locks out to gain leverage, he doesn't have the core strength to hold up against Offensive Linemen with solid play strength.

### **PROJECTION & RAVENS FIT**

**Projection** 1 gap penetrating 3 technique who will need time to develop into an everyday starter because of run defense deficiency.

Ravens Fit Once upon a time the Ravens would never have touched Murphy because of the struggles he had when two-gapping. However, they are now happier to take guys who require more development as a run defender on the Defensive Line but show out in terms of their athleticism. Murphy certainly ticks that box but I'm concerned that his run defense is so far away that he will be down the Ravens board, quite significantly. He may become value for them if he falls far enough but the pass rush potential is so enticing that a team with a more suitable defensive front will take him earlier than the Ravens would.



Excellent processing, hand usage and play strength against the run. Athletic for his size but does not turn that into pass rush production. Needs to add more moves and a better rush plan

### **PRODUCTION**

SR: 2 Sacks, 36 Total Tackles, 1

INT

JR: 2 Sacks, 2 QB Hits, 56 Total

Tackles

INJURY: High Ankle Sprain (SR) Missed no games

### **RAVENS FIT**

ATHLETICISM \$\frac{1}{4}\$
INTELLIGENCE \$\frac{1}{4}\$
VERSATILITY \$\frac{1}{4}\$
GRIT \$\frac{1}{4}\$
SCHEME \$\frac{1}{3}\$

# KRIS JENKINS

### DL MICHIGAN 6-2 299 SR

#94 PERFORMANCE GRADE: 4.33 POTENTIAL GRADE: 4.50 POSITIONAL RANK: 4 ARM LENGTH: 34"//HAND SIZE: 9 3/8"//40YD: 4.91 (92%)//10YD: 1.70 (89%) VJ: 30" (72%)//BJ: 9'7" (95%)//BP: 29 (81%)//SS: 4.78 (39%)//3C: N/A (%)

**Context** Plays 3 technique most of the time but also moves further outside in heavier fronts, sometimes playing at 7 technique in a four-man front.

Pass Rush He has a solid get-off, his athleticism helps him to gain ground quicky to the Offensive Lineman. He has outstanding hand usage, specifically in the timing of his strike. He has demonstrated that he can put together a rush plan as a pass rusher but it needs to be more consistent and more refined. He has a club rip that he tries to work the majority of the time and he likes to use his hand usage to get to the back shoulder of the Offensive Lineman, but for it being his go-to move, it isn't successful enough. In terms of a plan you can see him work moves off this, with an excellent spin move which, when well timed as part of the gameplan, can allow him to come free inside quickly. He also has impressive lateral explosion which he can use to his advantage on inside moves and is often too quick for interior linemen. However, most savvy linemen aren't threatened enough by his outside moves to open a gate for him on the inside. He does have the ability to push the pocket, especially given his hand usage and the play strength he plays with, however those OL with a good anchor, can reset and re-anchor against him and keep him from getting pressure on the QB. He is dangerous on stunts and games as he's able to use his good speed for his size and his lateral quickness, as well as the solid bend he has for his size to get pressure on the QB. He doesn't often finish on the QB and will rarely get hands on any level or type of competition, he will normally only get pressure that forces the QB to make an adjustment. You can see him trying other moves like a cross chop but they aren't consistently effective yet. He is relentless and his motor is always running, he has active hands and actively tries to counter when his first move is defeated.

Vs Run He is an excellent run defender. It starts with his ability to diagnose different types of run, as well as his superior hand usage. You can see him diagnose Zone blocking quickly, if he's on the back-side as a 3 technique which he is most often, you can see him stay tight to the Guard as he penetrates and holds off the Tackle trying to reach him before flattening into the backfield and pursuing the back from behind, making tackles in the backfield. When front-side against Zone, he refuses to be reached and will string out the run to the sideline before making the play himself, he's remarkably consistent in shedding blockers and tackling the ball. He can get moved off the ball when facing double teams, he is a handful and can often find himself shedding one of the blockers and being in position to make a play but he won't hold his ground and the play he makes will normally be a number of yards back from the line of scrimmage. You can see him flash the ability to penetrate against double teams and reset the Offense's levels. He's equally good diagnosing Gap blocking, he sees smoke and mirrors blocks like traps and pullers coming and takes them on with aggression. He meets down blocks with impact and leverage and constricts the running lane.

### **PROJECTION & RAVENS FIT**

**Projection** Rotational D-Lineman who can play the run exceptionally on early downs and might turn into a functional pass-rusher with some development.

Ravens Fit The Ravens are always looking for depth on their line. Jenkins is, on the surface, a nice fit for the Ravens. He is an effective run defender and has the athleticism to suggest some upside to his pass rush that just isn't there yet. However, he doesn't routinely occupy double teams and it's unlikely the Ravens could accommodate another guy who needs to play primarily as a penetrator next to Madubuike. The other issue will be cost of acquisition, the Ravens like to find their rotational, good run-defending linemen later on in the Draft. Both things add up to the Jenkins match with Baltimore as being unlikely.



Athletic freak at the position but it also translates as he gets off the ball remarkably quickly. Some pass rush potential but lots to work on including a plan. Penetrator as a run defender

### **PRODUCTION**

SR: 6 Sacks, 3 QB Hits, 36 Total Tackles

JR: 8 Sacks, 5 QB Hits, 54 Total Tackles, 2 FF

INJURY: None

### **RAVENS FIT**

ATHLETICISM \$\frac{1}{25}\$
INTELLIGENCE \$\frac{1}{24}\$
VERSATILITY \$\frac{1}{24}\$
GRIT \$\frac{1}{24}\$
SCHEME \$\frac{1}{24}\$

# BRADEN FISKE

### DL FLORIDA STATE 6-3 292 SR

#55 PERFORMANCE GRADE: 4.42 POTENTIAL GRADE: 4.83 POSITIONAL RANK: ARM LENGTH: 31"//HAND SIZE: 9 3/8"//40YD: 4.78 (99%)//10YD: 1.67 (96%) VJ: 33 1/2" (96%)//BJ: 9'9" (98%)//BP: 26 (65%)//SS: 4.37 (97%)//3C: N/A (%)

**Context** Plays mostly the 3 technique for Florida State but transferred from Western Michigan where he also played mostly at 3 technique but also played more in the A gap and outside.

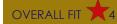
Pass Rush Ridiculous athleticism that starts at the snap with his upfield burst, which is exceptional for his size. He's able to explode out of his stance and it doesn't matter down or distance. His second and third step are also lightning fast, it's this and his lateral explosion that helps him to roll through the half-man. He also has good hand usage, his hands are well placed and timed but he does not consistently play with leverage and he far too quickly stands up when he's rushing the passer, he sends all of his power upwards rather than at the pocket. His rush plan isn't well developed yet. He's relentless and has a high motor and always looks to counter when his initial move is stopped but he doesn't often select the right move or set up his best move particularly well. His counters and hand usage can be a little chaotic. He's twitched up and it means he has wicked change of direction and can use his lateral quickness to work an inside move that's tough to stop. He doesn't set it up well but it's still effective. He has a cross-chop that he tries to work with quick hands but the chop is directed well and there is little power in his hands with this move. He has good hand placement and timing with his bull-rush and can get initial push back into the pocket but savvy OL can force him to raise his pad level and can then find it easier to anchor against him. When he gets his hands on well, and maintains his leverage, he can also work an effective push-pull move. When he does get free towards the QB, he can get home with his speed and explosion to make sacks at a good rate. He's also a tough guy to block on stunts given his athleticism, as well as having the savvy to open a lane for his teammate.

Vs Run As a run defender he also gets off the ball quickly and gets into his blocker. When he's facing double teams he doesn't use this upfield burst as much as he could, he doesn't get his hands into his blocker quickly and try to reset the levels for the offense. He will try to occupy and is a nuisance to seal at the line of scrimmage. He can prevent vertical movement but it's not with the best technique, he's shown the beginnings of being able to corkscrew the leg and reduce his surface area but it's usually deployed too late into the play to be effective. He reads Gap runs quickly and can get upfield into the backfield to make a play. He can on occasion try to go through gaps that aren't there and get blocked. He sees Down blocks coming from interior OL, he can use his quickness to get in the running lane and then hold position with leverage. He won't see Down blocks coming from further away. Against most run blocks he can use his athleticism to get around blocks and penetrate but he isn't a guy how can take away running lanes by getting into the OL early and using leverage/play strength to constrict running lanes. What he can do is shed the blocker and make a play on the ball-carrier, this is normally much further downfield than you would like but his pursuit is relentless and so he will pick up tackles downfield.

### **PROJECTION & RAVENS FIT**

**Projection** Fits best in a penetrating defense as a 3 technique and given time to develop could be a dangerous pass-rusher. Could play in a 2-gap defense.

Ravens Fit The Ravens have become fans of athletic freaks on the DL and Fiske is certainly athletic. He shows willing to do the dirty work too though, he's a nuisance against double teams and does his best to occupy them even if he's not yet consistently successful. There's some pass rush upside to work with too and the Ravens are a good unit to get the best out of his skillset with the way they creatively deploy talent on defense. The biggest problem is the intersection of need and value, an athletic penetrating DT would be a luxury for a team with other needs, given you will need to take Fiske in the first two days.



Huge with ridiculous arm
length for the interior. Crazy
quick off the ball vs both run
and pass. In the backfield as
a run defender. Needs better
technique as a pass-rusher
but high ceiling

### **PRODUCTION**

SO: 3 Sacks, 2 QB Hits, 22 Total

Tackles

FR: 4 Sacks, 14 Total Tackles

INJURY: Torn ACL, Left Knee missed all but one series ('22)

### **RAVENS FIT**

ATHLETICISM 3
INTELLIGENCE 4
VERSATILITY 4
GRIT 4
SCHEME 3

### MAASON SMITH

DL LSU 6-5 306 RS SO

#0 PERFORMANCE GRADE: 4.08 POTENTIAL GRADE: 4.42 POSITIONAL RANK: 5 ARM LENGTH: 35"//HAND SIZE: 8 1/2"//40YD: 5.01 (80%)//10YD: 1.75 (73%) VJ: 31" (82%)//BJ: 9'0" (73%)//BP: 21 (30%)//SS: 4.69 (57%)//3C: 7.62 (70%)

Context Plays 3 technique but also lines up over Tackle at 5 technique and as the Nose.

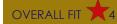
Pass Rush Everything that's good about his pass rush stems from his upfield burst which is elite. He gets off the ball lightning fast no matter the down or distance and game situation, he reads run pass very well. When you pair this with his lateral guickness, he's able to roll through the half-man against most competition on the interior Offensive Line. That lateral explosion is also used in his footwork as a pass-rusher and it can get linemen to open up lanes for him that he can then capitalize on with his hands. His length is the other natural ability he has to win as a pass rusher, it gives him a margin for error in his pass rush - when he misses on his club swim, he can land his swim on the back shoulder of the blocker and turn him to get into the pocket. His hands are quick, explosive and powerful and he has plenty of upper body strength. His moves though, are from polished and need to be refined for the next level. He has an accurate cross-chop but he isn't able to finish with that move. The club swim already mentioned is his go-to move and he can also work a bull-rush. His hands are active and he has a high motor but a bit chaotic. He doesn't put his moves together in an effective rush plan. He's not creative with his counters and could make better choices when his initial move is stopped, especially when he's facing OL with good anchor and can re-fit their hands. He needs to add refine his current moves or add more moves to his pass rush and string them together better across a rep and a game. He also needs to resolve his pad level, he has a natural disadvantage given his size but he rarely plays with leverage and far too often stands up too quickly. He can be dangerous when he loops outside and when he gets a chance, he corners well with some bend and dip for his size. He's deadly on stunts because of his upfield burst and lateral explosion.

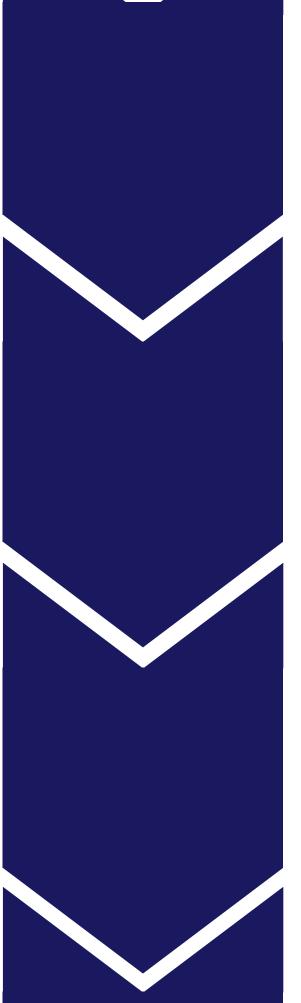
**Vs Run** He is off the ball just as quickly as he is as a pass-rusher. It helps him to reset the levels of the Offensive Line when he's facing double teams and gets him into the A gap against Outside Zone runs when he can target the A gap and gets into the backfield. He also has a ridiculous reach advantage against most interior Offensive Line and he deploys it well, getting his hands on first. He will lock out to gain leverage but he isn't consistent with this, sometimes the OL can collapse his hands and often his pad level issue will rear it's head as he loses leverage by standing up himself. He does have remarkable upper body strength and power in his hands and can throw the OL around at the point of attack. He doesn't see Gap blocks coming as well as Zone. When the puller vacates his gap, he's better at reacting to the Down block, but even in this situation he struggles to hold up and constrict the running lane. He works to slow down OL releasing to the 2nd level on combo blocks with his hands and has begun to add other technique like corkscrewing the leg but it's inconsistent. His explosive ability as a penetrator and lateral quickness can make him highly disruptive against the run but it's inconsistent due to his technique.

### **PROJECTION & RAVENS FIT**

**Projection** Will best fit as a 1-gap penetrator, will need to learn how to maximize his play strength given his height, if he does, he can be a real difference-maker.

Ravens Fit Smith's intriguing natural tools mean he will be a day 2 pick and the Ravens may not want to spend day 2 capital on the interior DL but paying top dollar at a position in the off-season has not stopped them adding a talented player in the Draft at the same position if the value is right. If Smith drops some, the Ravens will consider him. They have historically loved guys with the size and arm length he has, add the explosive ability and he's made for the Ravens DL tendencies. After the Ravens have shown they can accommodate a penetrator like Madubuike, Smith could be someone they consider.





### EDGE DEFENDER

Like Wide Receiver, Edge seems like a perpetual need for the Ravens, although in previous years they have managed to patch together a pass rush using a combination of cheap vets and scheme, not to mention the emergence of Madubuike on the inside.

In recent years, the Ravens have moved off their obsession with production at the position and have drafted athletic freaks who require some development. Their two young pass-rushers have two different paths to relevance for the 2024 Ravens.

Ojabo needs to stay healthy and Oweh needs to get home on the QB more often. Ojabo has shown potential, Oweh has played well and got pressure on the QB at a regular enough clip, just without the sack production.

Despite Ojabo and Oweh, the intriguing Tavius Robinson and the re-signed Kyle Van Noy, the Ravens will likely add to their stable of pass-rushers again this year and there are many options up and down the board.

Current Spending: 4.45% of Cap

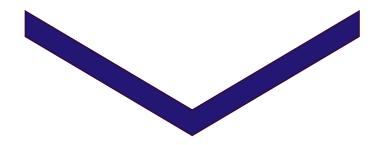
Returning Players: Kyle Van Noy, Odafe Oweh, David Ojabo, Tavius Robinson, Malik

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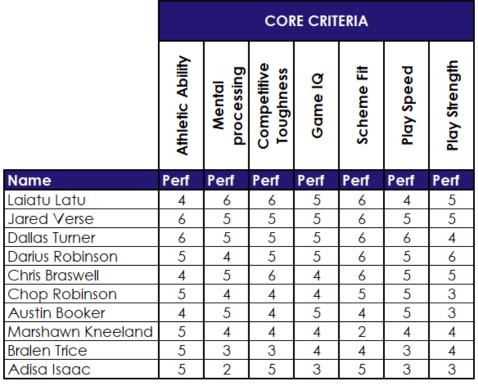
Edge Defender Rankings: (Perf = Performance, Pot = Potential)

Name	School	Total Perf	Total Pot
Laiatu Latu	UCLA	5.25	5.42
Jared Verse	Florida State	5.25	5.42
Dallas Turner	Alabama	5.08	5.17
Darius Robinson	Missouri	5.00	5.25
Chris Braswell	Alabama	4.83	4.92
Chop Robinson	Penn State	4.25	4.50
Austin Booker	Kansas	4.00	4.17
Marshawn Kneeland	Western Michigan	3.75	4.08
Bralen Trice	Washington	3.50	4.25
Adisa Isaac	Penn State	3.42	4.08

The final player in the Edge Defender reports is Edgerrin Cooper from Texas A&M. In the Projection and Ravens fit section, I make clear that he could be a traditional Linebacker at the next level, but that if the Ravens pick him, he will be asked to do far more and be a versatile defender. One of the roles he will be asked to play is on the Edge and he could be an interesting developmental project for the Ravens to give to coach Chuck Smith. This is why he appears here and not in a separate Linebacker section.

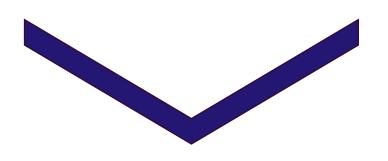






Detailed Edge Defender Criteria Grading (Position Criteria applies to DL/Edge only)

		DL CRITERIA										
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Name	Perf	Pot	Perf	Pot	Perf	Pot	Perf	Pot	Perf	Pot		
Laiatu Latu	4	5	6	6	5	6	6	6	6	6		
Jared Verse	5	6	5	6	5	5	6	6	5	5		
Dallas Turner	5	5	4	5	4	4	5	5	6	6		
Darius Robinson	4	5	4	5	5	6	6	6	5	5		
Chris Braswell	4	4	4	5	5	5	5	5	5	5		
Chop Robinson	5	6	4	5	3	4	4	4	5	5		
Austin Booker	3	4	4	5	3	3	4	4	4	4		
Marshawn Kneeland	3	4	2	4	5	5	3	4	5	5		
Bralen Trice	3	5	3	5	3	5	2	5	5	5		
Adisa Isaac	2	5	2	4	4	5	2	4	5	5		





Stupidly athletic, but can convert his speed to power, has an excellent long-arm move. Dangerous passrusher and good run defender – good processor and elite hand usage

### **PRODUCTION**

JR: 11 Sacks, 11 QB Hits, 35 Total Tackles, 2 FF SO: 5 Sacks, 11 QB Hits, 32 Total Tackles

INJURY: None

### **RAVENS FIT**

ATHLETICISM \$\frac{1}{2}5\$

INTELLIGENCE \$\frac{1}{2}5\$

VERSATILITY \$\frac{1}{2}4\$

GRIT \$\frac{1}{2}5\$

SCHEME \$\frac{1}{2}5\$

## DALLAS TURNER

### EDGE ALABAMA 6-2 247 JR

#15 PERFORMANCE GRADE: 5.08 POTENTIAL GRADE: 5.17 POSITIONAL RANK: 3 ARM LENGTH: 34 3/8"//HAND SIZE: 9 7/8"//40YD: 4.46 (100%)//10YD: 1.61 (91%) VJ: 40 1/2" (100%)//BJ: 10'7" (98%)//BP: 20 (43%)//SS: N/A (%)//3C: N/A (%)

**Context** Plays almost exclusively outside most often as a 7 technique mixing between a 3 and 2 point stance.

Pass Rush He Is twitchy and explosive and it shows up in a big way in how he gets off the ball and challenges the OL within the first few steps of his rush. He has outstanding acceleration and speed and he deploys it in getting upfield guickly. His second and third step are guicker than his first step and he accelerates into contact. He has great bend and hip mobility so he's able to dip his shoulder and take the edge as well as soften angles to roll through a half man. He keys the ball well and it doesn't matter greatly the down and distance or game situation. He has the beginnings of a good pass rush plan but he can make some mis-steps and pre-meditate a move that will clearly not work once the rep starts, he needs to be more flexible in-game to respond to what the OT is showing him. He also has a tendency to keep going back to the well on a move that worked for him early in a game, even when the OT appears to be adjusting to it, he could be quicker to move off it and keep the OL off balance. He also won't always select the best counter when his initial move doesn't hit like he intends it to. But these are all small detail improvements that he can make at the next level. He was a very successful pass-rusher in college, and the foundation for it are his excellent hands, which are quick, well-timed and have remarkable power in them. But for a smaller guy, he plays with exceptional pad level and therefore leverage, maximizing his play strength. This isn't better showcased than in his long-arm move which is deadly. He shoots his hand like a piston and then can lever the OT off the ground with it and finish at the apex of the rush by turning the OT and flattening to the QB. He does have a good bull and pull as well as a solid speed to power move. He can work a jump chop and cross chop to get him around the outside but it's actually his power moves that are more effective and his go-to move. He marries his feet with his hands well and utilizes his lateral explosion to set up his outside and inside moves. He has outstanding bend and corners very effectively.

**Vs Run** Against the run he also gets off the ball well no matter the situation, and he continues to showcase his excellent hand usage. Again, the leverage he plays with, as well as his hand placement, timing and power, helps him to set a solid edge. He reads both Zone and Gap runs equally effectively. When he's play-side against Zone, he can constrict running lanes against those OL with solid play strength and compete/hold his own with those bigger OTs with more play strength. He can also disengage and tackle the ball in his gap. On the backside of Zone plays, he will deploy his speed and relentless pursuit to make plays near the line of scrimmage from behind – he's a nightmare on the backside for heavier Zone teams. When he sees Inside Zone or Duo, he makes calculated gambles and gets off his block to get inside and make a play on the ball. He sees pullers coming his way in Gap runs and can defeat the block to make a play on the ball. His pursuit is outstanding.

### **PROJECTION & RAVENS FIT**

**Projection** Starting Defensive End or OLB, likely scheme diverse but will get the full range of outcomes using him as a versatile chess piece that you move around in a multiple defense.

Ravens Fit While there are other pure pass-rushers that I prefer in this Draft, if the Ravens were in position to take Turner, he might fit best with their defense and the style of player they usually look for. He has outrageous athleticism but he's also polished and tough. You likely get the most out of him using him creatively both standing up and with his hand in the dirt and he has enough athleticism to drop in coverage. He fits so well and would start immediately for the Ravens but they have very little chance to acquire him.



Frightening, near unblockable edge defender in certain situations, equally good vs pass and run, intelligent with only minor things to work on to improve his game

### **PRODUCTION**

SR: 11 Sacks, 15 QB Hits, 38 Total Tackles, 1 FF JR: 9 Sacks, 2 QB Hits, 32 Total Tackles

INJURY: None

### **RAVENS FIT**

ATHLETICISM \$\frac{1}{2}5\$
INTELLIGENCE \$\frac{1}{2}4\$
VERSATILITY \$\frac{1}{2}4\$
GRIT \$\frac{1}{2}4\$
SCHEME \$\frac{1}{2}5\$

# JARED VERSE

### **EDGE** FLORIDA STATE 6-4 254 RS JR

#5 PERFORMANCE GRADE: 5.25 POTENTIAL GRADE: 5.42 POSITIONAL RANK: 2 ARM LENGTH: 33 1/2"//HAND SIZE: 9 7/8"//40YD: 4.58 (98%)//10YD: 1.59 (95%) VJ: 35" (85%)//BJ: 10'7" (98%)//BP: 31 (97%)//SS: 4.44 (64%)//3C: 7.31 (61%)

**Context** Plays outside as mostly the 7 or 9 technique, saw lots of protection schemed against him in Senior year.

Pass Rush His get-off is excellent no matter the situation, as with most elite pass rushers, there's an extra gear of danger reserved for obvious passing situations from a wide 9 alignment and three point stance, when all the conditions are perfect, but he doesn't need it to be to have a consistently very good first step. He wins with his vertical explosion which is scary, and his processing which is also very good, allows this to be consistently deployed to gain ground quickly at the start of the rep. He has the beginnings of a very good rush plan. He is patient, marries his feet with his hands and is expert at getting the OL to compromise the half-man relationship. He has some go-to moves that work well for him, including a cross-chop and a long-arm. He also converts speed to power exceptionally well and can put Offensive Linemen in real trouble with this ability. That ability to go through or around an OL is good but you'd like to see more of an inside move developed and to work on effective counters when facing an OL with excellent play-strength who is able to reset and re-anchor after initially giving ground to him. This all is effective due to his outstanding use of hands - they're not remarkably powerful but they are lightning fast, and impeccably timed in all situations. This excellence in his hand usage allows him to control the upper arm and the shoulder of the Offensive Lineman with alarming regularity and makes most potential moves prone to being successful. He attacks with explosive strength and clears his hands quickly. He has solid bend and cornering ability when he gets to the edge and can quickly get free to the QB. He saw a lot of double teams with blockers lying in wait for him, or OL turning to his guy when looking for work, so it's tough to effectively evaluate him off his numbers alone. When he had more advantageous matchups in terms of numbers he was consistently getting pressure on QBs and finishing, even on mobile QBs. He is so often on the attack as a pass-rusher, using his explosion, hand technique and aggression to put OL under immense pressure.

Vs Run He is aggressive and physically tough and plays so in the run game. He sets a hard edge as a run defender and actively constricts running lanes to limit the running game. He's on the attack as a run defender which is enabled by his processing as he's able to quickly read even complex running games. He will win as a penetrator but he can also stay gap disciplined on the outside, get off his block and make a play on the ball carrier in his gap. He uses his excellent hand placement, timing and play strength to set the edge well. He diagnoses Gap as well as Zone and defeats blocks in both schemes. Where he can have some trouble is when facing a Gap -style run with multiple pullers coming at him, he is liable to abandon gap integrity in these instances. He also could stand to filter through traffic more effectively when defending a Zone run from the backside but on the whole is pursuit is relentless and excellent.

### **PROJECTION & RAVENS FIT**

**Projection** Immediate starting scheme diverse edge defender who you will win because of in short order in his career.

Ravens Fit Hard to envisage a better fit as a pass-rusher than Verse, there was a time when his likely better fit with a penetrating defense might have given the Ravens pause but not this Ravens defense, that prides itself on getting the most of talented pieces placed in the role that works for them. Verse is as explosive as they come as a pass-rusher which the Ravens now covet in their pass-rushers but he's also polished as an all-around edge defender and would start immediately for the Ravens and likely be the snap-leader at Edge quickly. No chance he gets to the end of the 1st round, would need a trade-up scenario.



Scary speed, more like a missile at the Quarterback.
High upside but lacks polish – needs a rush plan and a bigger repertoire of moves.
Needs more experience playing the run

### **PRODUCTION**

JR: 3 Sacks, 5 QB Hits, 10 Total

Tackles, 2 FF

SO: 5 Sacks, 9 QB Hits, 16 Total

Tackles

INJURY: Undisclosed (Likely Head) Injury – Missed 2 Gms

### **RAVENS FIT**

ATHLETICISM \$\frac{1}{\sqrt{5}}\$

INTELLIGENCE \$\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}\$

VERSATILITY \$\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}\$

GRIT \$\frac{1}{\sqrt{4}}\$

SCHEME \$\frac{1}{\sqrt{4}}\$

# CHOP ROBINSON

### EDGE PENN STATE 6-3 254 JR

#44 PERFORMANCE GRADE: 4.25 POTENTIAL GRADE: 4.50 POSITIONAL RANK: 6 ARM LENGTH: 32 1/2"//HAND SIZE: 9 1/8"// 40YD: 4.48 (100%)//10YD: 1.53 (100%) VJ: 34 1/2" (81%)//BJ: 10'8" (99%)//BP: N/A (%)//SS: 4.25 (92%)//3C: N/A (%)

**Context** Plays mostly the wide 9 technique but also spends time at 7 and 5 technique as well as occasionally rushing inside.

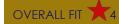
Pass Rush Really special quick-twitch athlete off the edge who goes on the b of the bang. The explosion off the ball is only half of the headache for Offensive Tackles when he rushes from the wide 9 position, as he turns that explosive start into frightening speed. He puts most Offensive Tackles in trouble quickly, compromising their half-man positioning after just a couple of steps. He uses his hands effectively but currently with a simple, speed rush technique with chop rip, speed rip or club swim to clear the Offensive Tackle's hands. He has the beginnings of a long arm move but it is underdeveloped. His hands are very accurate and with the speed he brings when rushing the passer, he doesn't need much to disengage and immediately turn the corner, which he can do at a seemingly impossible angle. He bends exceptionally well and can bend and dip as he runs the arc, he has outstanding flexibility, particularly ankle flexion to get him as close to perpendicular to the ground as seems humanly possible as he turns the edge to finish on the Quarterback. In his matchups with more athletic Offensive Tackles, those with excellent footwork as well as good play strenath, he is less consistently disruptive as he has not yet developed counters or a particularly effective rush plan. Many Offensive Tackles in college don't have an answer for his speed but those who can get their hands on him and have good play strength can shut him down and turn his bend round the edge into losing his footing. You'd like to see him more consistently convert speed to power and add a lot more strings to his bow in terms of moves to have more success against better blockers. He has a consistent motor and is physically tough. When rushing inside he finds less success, but he does use his bend to create leverage and keeps his feet moving to affect the middle of the pocket.

Vs Run As a run defender he is a work in progress. Against reach blocks and backside cut-off blocks, he is more than capable of deploying his explosive ability and speed to get into the backfield and into the runner's path. He's an excellent backside defender with good pursuit and a good motor. He can beat Offensive Linemen to the punch and they don't get a chance to get his hands on them. When facing Duo or Inside Zone, he can set a hard edge, he does have accurate hands and can squeeze his gap through locking out to gain leverage. He's able to adjust his aiming point based on the pad level of the Offensive Lineman and he has good play strength in this situation as he can keep his feet moving. When he's play-side against Outside Zone, or facing pullers coming at him on a Gap run, the outcome is less consistent as he is not able to set as powerful an edge when is more circumspect, he can't afford to attack as he has to be more patient and it compromises his play strength. He can work through the trash and often plays standing up so can make plays against ball carriers all over the field.

### **PROJECTION & RAVENS FIT**

**Projection** Should start as a situational pass-rusher as he learns how to play the run and should only play wide 9 to start but could develop into much more.

Ravens Fit Would the Ravens really draft a tools-y, unpolished Defensive End, lacking production from the Big Ten again? They might. Robinson is the kind of high upside pass rusher that can often last to the bottom of the first round because you can't plug and play him from day one. And the Ravens wouldn't have considered this pick a few years ago because of Robinson's lack of sack production but that mantra is well and truly gone and Robinson fits the bill of an athletic freak pass-rusher who needs some polish with more moves and a rush plan, as well as work on his run defense – the Ravens like a project at Edge.



Remarkable hand usage and play strength. Big, long and strong with more than solid athleticism and an already good array of rush moves makes him a starter on the edge with high potential

### **PRODUCTION**

SR: 9 Sacks, 6 QB Hits, 29 Total Tackles, 1 FF JR: 3 Sacks, 6 QB Hits, 29 Total Tackles

INJURY: Calf Strain (SR)

### **RAVENS FIT**

ATHLETICISM #4
INTELLIGENCE #4
VERSATILITY #5
GRIT #5
SCHEME #5

# DARIUS ROBINSON

### EDGE MISSOURI 6-5 286 SR

#6 PERFORMANCE GRADE: 5.00 POTENTIAL GRADE: 5.25 POSITIONAL RANK: 4 ARM LENGTH: 34 1/2"//HAND SIZE: 10 5/8"// 40YD: 4.95 (89%)//10YD: 1.73 (81%) VJ: 35" (98%)//BJ: 9'3" (85%)//BP: 21 (30%)//SS: 4.76 (43%)//3C: 7.87 (40%)

**Context** Played mostly 3 technique prior to Senior year when he moved outside; he now plays mostly as a 7 technique but with some time as a 5 or 4i.

Pass Rush He has a good get-off for his size and is an explosive athlete, gaining ground quickly as a pass-rusher from all the different alignments he plays. He keys the ball well and it doesn't matter down or distance. He's quicker to get off the closer he is to the ball in his alignment, but even from wide of the formation, he's good off the mark. When he gets to the Offensive Lineman to engage, he utilizes his remarkably good hand usage and play strength to win consistently as a pass rusher. He has a solid pass rush plan, you can see him set up different moves off successful moves he makes earlier in the game and down to down he has a good plan to win the rep, you'd like to see him more consistently attack weaknesses across a game but this is development he can do at the next level, and he only played outside in his final year at Mizzou. He has a good variety of moves at his disposal – his straight power to the chest bull rush move is hard to stop, OL with very good play strength can re-anchor and compete but they will lose their fair share of reps too, given the counters he can make when an OL does reset successfully. Off this bull rush he works an impressive push-pull move where he completely controls the shoulder of the blocker and turns him to open the gate to the QB. The reason these moves are successful consistently is the placement and timing from his hand usage. Once they're on, he can work them with power and violence to disengage. He also has an effective club-swim and cross-chop move, when he gets to the edge, even against athletic OTs, he shows his loose hips and turns the corner to the QB. His club swim is most often used as an inside move that he can then work off to make successful outside moves. He has outstanding foot speed and change of direction for his size, and he marries this well with his hands. He does have a jump chop which can backfire on him because all his power comes from his outstanding leverage, which he gives up when he takes off. He will harass all types of QB and his athleticism and relentless motor mean he is able to sack all types of QB too.

Vs Run He is a demon run defender, he holds up in all alignments that he has played in at Mizzou, including inside against bigger blockers. The majority of this is again down to his hand usage and play strength. The play strength against the run comes from the consistent leverage he plays with by always locking out after engaging with such precision and power with his hands. Against gap blocks when he's in a straight up fight with the man opposite he will ragdoll even bigger Offensive Linemen and maintain a two-way go, while always maintaining gap discipline. You'd like to see him make more plays on the ball carrier in the hole. Against double teams, he can hold up and prevent vertical movement for a second, he will also then win quickly making the perfect release for the OL to the second level a necessity. He sees backside cut offs, trap blocks and kick-out blocks coming and takes them on with aggression and power.

### **PROJECTION & RAVENS FIT**

**Projection** Scheme diverse, starting 7 technique who will thrive most if moved along the Defensive Line with a good portion of reps at 4i/5 tech

Ravens Fit Robinson is a remarkably good fit for the Ravens. There was a time when the Ravens routinely took long productive pass rushers in their draft classes, but they have moved to more of an athletic profile in recent years. Robinson is nice middle ground between the two paths, he is plenty explosive for his size and has prodigious length with over 34.5" arms but he does bring that something different on the edge that the Ravens don't have out of their homegrown guys in his size at 280lb+ and an impressively productive year against an array of victims in the SEC.



Advanced pass-rusher with an other-worldly feel for what the OL is trying to do.
Explosive and productive.
Good processor vs Zone runs.
Immediate impact starter that will impact the QB

### **PRODUCTION**

SR: 15 Sacks, 11 QB Hits, 38 Total

Tackles, 3 FF, 2 INTs

JR: 12 Sacks, 8 QB Hits, 25 Total

Tackles, 3 FF, 1 PBU

INJURY: Neck Injury (2020): retired, returned in 2022

### **RAVENS FIT**

ATHLETICISM \$\frac{1}{4}\$

INTELLIGENCE \$\frac{1}{4}\$

VERSATILITY \$\frac{1}{5}\$

GRIT \$\frac{1}{5}\$

SCHEME \$\frac{1}{5}\$

# LAIATU LATU

### EDGE UCLA 6-4 259 SR

#15 PERFORMANCE GRADE: 5.25 POTENTIAL GRADE: 5.42 POSITIONAL RANK: 1 ARM LENGTH: 32 5/8"//HAND SIZE: 9 5/8"// 40YD: 4.64 (94%)//10YD: 1.62 (89%) VJ: 32" (55%)//BJ: 9'8" (68%)//BP: N/A (%)//SS: 4.34 (83%)//3C: 7.09 (86%)

**Context** Plays across the line but mostly as a 5/6/7 technique, he will kick inside and rush from a wide 9 at times.

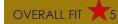
Pass Rush He is explosive and has a good get-off, in obvious passing situations he uses his explosion and times the snap to get off even quicker. He's very good at softening angles to roll through the half man, but he can also compromise the half man relationship with the way he pairs his feet and his hands in his pass rush. He has an outstanding rush plan from down to down. He moves around so much that he's facing different Offensive Linemen throughout a game, but he has a very good plan for all the different opponents he faces throughout a game. He has an innate feel for what the Offensive Lineman is trying to do and can set up to beat it multiple times throughout a game, expert at getting an OL to over-commit. He also has a knack for understanding the exact moment that the OL has given him an advantage, which he then duly takes. He has this plan and is an outstanding pass-rusher against all types of OL including some of the best he faced in college but it also rarely matters which alignment he is in, although he is more effective the tighter he is to the offense's formation. He has good foot speed and he can use his footwork to set the OL up for both inside and outside moves. His hands are his main strenath as a pass rusher, he has great accuracy and timing, he plays with elite play strength because of his pad level as a pass rusher. He does have an array of moves he can call upon to execute his exceptional rush plan and take advantage of his superior hand usage. This includes a wickedly fast cross-chop, which isn't especially powerful but is quick, well-timed, accurate and therefore effective in setting up his finish. He has a jump chop which can be a move that OL can take advantage of but he times it so well that it gives him the edge to begin cornering. Due to his hands and play strength he also has an effective move with straight power to the OL's chest. Against better competition if his initial move was shut down, he didn't always have a counter to go to midrep but you would see him find another way through the OL on a future down. He doesn't always convert speed to power and could stand to add a long arm move to his repertoire, but that's hyper-critical. His cornering is exceptional, he has good ankle flexion and continues to use his hands as he rounds the edge. He flattens to the QB and finishes with a hit or a sack at an alarming rate for offenses. He is a weapon on stunts and games because of his explosive ability, he's too dynamic for interior Offensive Linemen to deal with when he's coming from outside to in. He has outstanding pursuit and a relentless motor. He's physical and competitive.

**Vs Run** He diagnoses Zone Blocking schemes very quickly and gets into great position using his hands and his leverage to constrict running lanes, reset the level of the OL and disengage to tackle the runner in his gap. He is less quick to diagnose Gap running schemes and so he is less able to exert his leverage, but he will still set an edge and make a play on the runner.

### **PROJECTION & RAVENS FIT**

**Projection** Immediate scheme-diverse starter, may have some immediate issues defending the run, but I think he will iron it out. Dynamic pass-rusher from day 1.

Ravens Fit If he is available at pick 30, the Ravens will need to run up the card. He is an explosive and productive pass-rusher, one of the most advanced pass-rushers I've ever graded in college. He will become a game-wrecker quickly, he would fill a Clowney sized hole on the Defensive Line at a much cheaper rate for five years. He was however medically retired in 2020 due to a neck injury and so the Ravens will need to clear him medically. If they do, there is always the chance that other teams don't that precipitates a fall. His talent doesn't deserve one though, I expect him to be long gone by the time the Ravens pick.



Huge potential with impressive explosive ability and power in his hands.
Processing and technique deficiencies across his game will lead to early struggles at the next level

### **PRODUCTION**

SR: 8 Sacks, 19 QB Hits, 47 Total Tackles, 1 FF JR: 9 Sacks, 15 QB Hits, 29 Total Tackles

INJURY: None

### **RAVENS FIT**

ATHLETICISM \$\frac{1}{4}\$
INTELLIGENCE \$\frac{1}{2}\$
VERSATILITY \$\frac{1}{2}\$
GRIT \$\frac{1}{3}\$
SCHEME \$\frac{1}{3}\$

# **BRALEN TRICE**

### EDGE WASHINGTON 6-3 245 JR

#8 PERFORMANCE GRADE: 3.50 POTENTIAL GRADE: 4.25 POSITIONAL RANK: 9 ARM LENGTH: 32 1/2"//HAND SIZE: 9"// 40YD: 4.72 (84%)//10YD: 1.65 (78%) VJ: 32" (55%)//BJ: 9'7" (62%)//BP: 20 (43%)//SS: 4.19 (96%)//3C: 7.20 (75%)

Context Plays exclusively outside as the 7 or 9 technique.

Pass Rush His upfield burst and ability to gain ground early provides a good summation of Trice's game - he has some athletic ability to him, in this case explosion, but it isn't harnessed well due to technique or processing deficiency, It means he doesn't grade out particularly highly as a player currently but has much higher potential if he can unblock some of these issues. His get-off is normally solid but it's turns far more threatening when in obvious passing situations like 3rd and long or at the end of the half. The improved get-off in these situations sets up the rest of his pass rush well, but ordinarily he will not get after the Offensive Linemen as quickly as required given some of the other deficiencies in his pass rush. His pass rush plan will take advantage of poor play from Offensive Linemen, for instance he is able to take full advantage of an over-set and a compromised half-man relationship from the OL. However, he has not yet put together a pre-meditated plan to beat even a deficient Offensive Linemen, he is relentless early in games and will string together multiple counters, but it feels like he's throwing moves out without much plan or thought. Some of the reason he has to deploy so many counters are the deficiency in his hand usage. Time and space are the enemy of Offensive Linemen and how they reduce that time and space is how they are successful, Trice often does that for them with consistently late hands when trying to engage. It leads to him barreling into blockers taking away his advantage. When he stumbles over more optimum hand timing, he does have a dangerous long arm move and can threaten the pocket with straight power to the OL's chest. These moves show the remarkable power in his hands and the strength he could deploy to win consistently as a pass-rusher. However, Offensive Linemen with good anchors can stop him in his tracks and he doesn't have a counter when his power moves don't work. When he does get-off well in the situations described above he can threaten the edge and it allows him to marry his feet and hands far better. When he does get to the corner he has limited ankle flexion and therefore limited bend to get around the edge and get to the QB. When he does come free, he can hurry the QB and get hits on less mobile QBs but more mobile QBs will escape his clutches.

Vs Run As a run defender, it's more of the same story, huge potential but his play strength his hampered by his lacking technique. The same hand usage deficiency with timing applies when defending the run. The lack of ankle flexion also shows up as he's unable to lock out once he does engage with the defender to gain leverage. He will win reps against lesser competition because of the sheer power in his hands but it isn't consistent. When setting the edge, he doesn't constrict running lanes as much as you would like because of this and while he keeps his eyes in the backfield, he struggles to disengage and tackle the runner in his gap against better competition. He does read Zone Blocking well and the quicker reaction, helps everything work better and allow him to make plays on the ball carrier.

### **PROJECTION & RAVENS FIT**

**Projection** Needs to work on his technique and processing to win a starting gig, should be drafted as developmental prospect but returns could be huge.

Ravens Fit Trice misses on a number of the boxes that the Ravens look for in an edge rusher, although he does have the explosive ability and the impressive hand power that we've seen them target before. The Ravens are one of the best placed teams to take a chance on him and see him develop under Chuck Smith, but this is a project and I'm not sure it would behave the team to take another chance on a guy with upside who needs serious improvement to reach his ceiling. If he does get drafted to the Ravens, think one of their slow-play edge rush development jobs that pays off in year 3 or 4.



Twitchy and explosive, likely converts to the NFL as a stand-up rush OLB only. He has technical deficiencies with his hand usage as both a pass rusher and a run defender

### **PRODUCTION**

SR: 9 Sacks, 4 QB Hits, 36 Total Tackles, 1 FF JR: 4 Sacks, 8 QB Hits, 24 Total Tackles

INJURY: Torn ACL (2021)

### **RAVENS FIT**

ATHLETICISM \$\frac{1}{\pi}4\$
INTELLIGENCE \$\frac{1}{\pi}2\$
VERSATILITY \$\frac{1}{\pi}2\$
GRIT \$\frac{1}{\pi}4\$
SCHEME \$\frac{1}{\pi}4\$

## ADISA ISAAC

### EDGE PENN STATE 6-4 247 SR

#20 PERFORMANCE GRADE: 3.42 POTENTIAL GRADE: 4.08 POSITIONAL RANK: 10 ARM LENGTH: 33 7/8"//HAND SIZE: 9 5/8"//40YD: 4.74 (81%)//10YD: 1.63 (86%) VJ: 34 1/2" (81%)//BJ: 10'3" (93%)//BP: 20 (43%)//SS: 4.33 (84%)//3C: 7.01 (92%)

Context Plays exclusively outside at mostly 7 or 9 technique but has rushed further inside too.

Pass Rush He doesn't get off the ball well but curiously is an explosive player, his second and third steps are impressive, but his first step off the ball is routinely slow when in a three-point stance and on neutral downs. It gets marginally better when there is an obvious passing situation, but the improvement isn't drastic until he is in a two-point stance and a little further out in terms of alignment. He doesn't process the game at a high level, and it affects his play speed and technique throughout most reps. He is a relentless pass-rusher with an excellent motor and active hands. He uses mostly a two-handed chop as well as a speed rip and bull rush. None of these are deployed as part of an effective plan and if his first move doesn't work you get the impression, he's throwing counters simply to see what sticks rather than having a plan for what he is doing. The biggest issue outside of the lack of a plan with his pass rush is his hand usage, he struggles to land blows that allow him to complete. His timing with his hands is often late, sometimes a feature of getting off late sometimes as he barrels into the blocker without any technique to speak of. He also has poor hand placement, something that plaques his run defense more but shows up in his pass rush too. He doesn't often marry his hands well with his feet but when he rushes from a two-point stance, he more consistently uses his feet to get the OL off-balance and compromise the OL's half-man relationship with him. Now that he's on the move already, he can deploy his explosion to roll through the halfman and get to the QB. His lateral explosion to cross the Offensive Lineman's face is impressive. This is often on inside moves when he's simply too twitched up for the Offensive Lineman to get a power step in. When he goes for straight power in his pass rush and he hasn't effectively set it up, which is rare, he will lose against Offensive Tackles with good play strength. He doesn't bend the edge very effectively, when he does corner, it's his hands that help him to win and get to the Quarterback where he can finish on most types of QB, even mobile ones because of his burst.

Vs Run He doesn't read run/pass well and struggle to diagnose blocking schemes, except when on the back-side of a Zone run. His main challenge as a run defender is again, his hand usage. His timing is off, as with his pass rush, and it allows the Offensive Lineman a far easier path to fit and finish the block on all types of block both Gap and Zone. He also has poor hand placement, liable to have his hands slip off the top of the OL's pads as soon as they engage. This is a particular problem against Gap blocks. He is effective as a penetrator and makes plays in the backfield using his explosion when he lucks into upfield burst against a run and he is a danger to take out any cut-backs in the Zone running game because of he is relentless and explosive. He rarely plays with leverage and his high-pad level means he wasn't asked to set a hard edge too often, more likely to be pointed inside to spill runs for Linebackers to clean up behind.

### PROJECTION & RAVENS FIT

**Projection** Can only play his as stand-up rush LB. Cannot ask him to regularly set an edge, and therefore play, until hand usage is fixed.

Ravens Fit From a schematic perspective he fits the Ravens well and would become a part of their Edge stable as a rotation piece. However, he could only play in obvious passing situations and would need to go into two of their Defensive Line schools – the first being how to consistently play the run with your hands, the second being Chuck Smith's pass rush lessons. His explosive ability and the results he managed at Penn State, despite such technical deficiencies, give a good indication of his potential but it will require skilled coaching and time to unlock it, the Ravens likely need a more immediate contributor.



Refined pass-rusher who knows how to win. Plenty athletic, tough and smart, he sets a hard and physical edge in the run game. Some refinement needed as a pass-rusher, immediate starter

### **PRODUCTION**

SR: 13 Sacks, 10 QB Hits, 36 Total Tackles, 3 FF, 1 INT JR: 4 Sacks, 5 QB Hits, 17 Total Tackles, 1 FF

INJURY: None

### **RAVENS FIT**

ATHLETICISM \$\frac{1}{4}\$
INTELLIGENCE \$\frac{1}{4}\$
VERSATILITY \$\frac{1}{4}\$
GRIT \$\frac{1}{4}\$
SCHEME \$\frac{1}{5}\$

# CHRIS BRASWELL

### EDGE ALABAMA 6-3 251 SR

#41 PERFORMANCE GRADE: 4.83 POTENTIAL GRADE: 4.92 POSITIONAL RANK: 5 ARM LENGTH: 33 1/4"//HAND SIZE: 9 3/8"//40YD: 4.60 (97%)//10YD: 1.58 (97%) VJ: 33 1/2" (71%)//BJ: 9'7" (62%)//BP: N/A (%)//SS: N/A (%)//3C: N/A (%)

Context Plays mostly outside as the 7 technique both hand in the dirt and standing up.

Pass Rush Has solid upfield burst, his take-off isn't elite but he has a very quick second and third step that allow him to accelerate into contact and put the OL in a difficult position early. He's smart so his reaction doesn't change significantly depending on down and distance and game situation. He's more explosive out of a three point stance and seems to keep his leverage better through the rep. As a pass rusher he has a really nice plan which centers around his primary offering - his speed to power move. He can work this successfully against most types of competition. When he does face a 330lb+ Offensive Tackle with good play strength, they can reset and re-anchor to compete with him late in the rep but even they will likely be rocked backwards initially. He also has a bull rush that can be effective and both of these moves he has an effective push-pull counter if his progress is stopped. These attempts to come through the blocker are difficult to stop unless you have better play strength and even then you will need to stay fundamentally sound and not cheat to cover outside moves. He does have an outside move to help him set up the power moves, with a cross-chop that is quick and well-timed but isn't always consistently accurate so isn't always successful. He has the beginning of some inside moves but he could work these secondary offerings more effectively to keep OL off his straight power moves. Specifically, his footwork when pressing outside before coming back inside or through the OL, is not convincing as his feet and hips are always pointed in the direction he intends to go, OL with good processing can neutralize this and bait him too. He's always got another move to go to, has a high motor and active hands, and always gives the OL all they can handle. He's got good bend to corner and continues to work his hands, often getting control of the back shoulder of the blocker which helps him to make the turn to the QB. He can finish on most QB types and his core strength means he can even make tackles on the QB when engaged with a blocker. Most of his prowess as a pass-rusher comes from his excellent hand usage, his strike is always well-timed and well-placed and it acts as the foundation for most of his moves.

Vs Run He reads the run game very well and reads the game at a high level in general. He is aggressive, he sets a hard and physical edge and will constrict running lanes except against those who have very good or elite play strength, but he will compete with them. He sees Gap runs coming early and can take on pullers when they target him. He does this with less fundamentals than he normally does when taking on blocks so struggles to get off the block and make a play on the ball carrier. As a play-side defender against Zone blocking he will be aggressive and he will deploy his hand usage and leverage to set the edge. As a back-side defender he stays disciplined and normally makes a play on a bend read for a modest gain. He hits like a train and will look for opportunities to make big hits without compromising the structure of the defense, he will get off blocks and make plays on the ball carrier in his gap.

### **PROJECTION & RAVENS FIT**

**Projection** Starting Defensive End and likely scheme diverse but likely fits best as a rush LB in an odd front where he can mostly have his hand in the dirt.

Ravens Fit Braswell is a spectacular fit for the Ravens. He would be a departure from the tools-y developmental projects that the Ravens have recently prioritised but he's still plenty athletic. He may not have the ceiling of an Ojabo or an Oweh but he's far more sophisticated as a rusher coming out, with a good plan and knowledge of how he wins best. It will need some development at the next level but it's refinement and development of secondary offerings rather than a ground floor build. He's tough, a scheme fit, intelligent and sets a hard edge against the run. He'd compete for playing time immediately.



Good technical pass rusher who can win with hand usage and processing. Only elite athletic trait is lateral explosion which he uses well. Light in the pants, and so not the most consistent run defender

### **PRODUCTION**

SO: 9 Sacks, 2 QB Hits, 53 Total Tackles, 2 FF

INJURY: None

### **RAVENS FIT**

ATHLETICISM \$\frac{1}{3}\$

INTELLIGENCE \$\frac{1}{4}\$

VERSATILITY \$\frac{1}{2}\$

GRIT \$\frac{1}{4}\$

SCHEME \$\frac{1}{3}\$

# AUSTIN BOOKER

EDGE KANSAS 6-4 240 RS SO

#9 PERFORMANCE GRADE: 4.00 POTENTIAL GRADE: 4.17 POSITIONAL RANK: 7 ARM LENGTH: 33 7/8"//HAND SIZE: 9 1/4"//40YD: 4.79 (72%)//10YD: 1.66 (72%) VJ: 32 1/2" (61%)//BJ: 10'0" (85%)//BP: N/A (%)//SS: 4.47 (58%)//3C: 7.28 (64%)

Context Plays both 7 and 9 technique, with hand in the dirt and standing up.

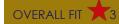
Pass Rush He has average upfield burst in most situations. The way he wins as a pass rusher is most often with his processing, his lateral explosion and his quick hands. Firstly, he has a really good rush plan, he sets up the different moves he has to go to intelligently and keeps Offensive Line guessing and therefore at times, off-balance. He will deploy a speed rip that is not consistently effective but it's often used to threaten the outside before coming back to a deadly inside move he has. He has a quick and accurate cross-chop which does threaten the edge and he does have some success with. This goes too for a two-hand swipe that he doesn't use a lot but has been effective. He also has an inside spin move that has the makings of being a really good pitch for him. He also has good counters that he can work off his initial plan and his motor always runs, he's a handful. His hands are constantly active, they're well placed and timed, but most of all, they are lightning fast and can put all types of OL in trouble. He's a really good hand fighter and it's tough for OL to stay latched even if they think they have won initially on the rep. He has a nice club and can reach the backside of the Offensive Tackle's shoulder. He has solid speed and he can convert that to power, normally getting some initial pocket push because of his technique, including his hand placement and his pad level. So, despite being a little light in the pants, he's able to get some movement backwards against most competition. He'll compete to finish on the QB but will get stalemated by those OL with good play strength and good anchors, who will be able to reset their feet and re-anchor against him. He's also a slippery rusher and picks the right time to reduce his surface area and get through blocks. He's also excellent when he works inside moves, if he threatens upfield with a pressure step, he deploys his body control, hip fluidity and lateral explosion to cross the OL's face and come free up the middle. OL with good reactive athleticism can open hips and redirect him in this scenario as he doesn't always keep a good connection with the ground. He has good bend and dip to corner but the main challenge for his pass rush will be making his impressive hand usage, moves and plan stick by flattening to the QB with good play strength, something he doesn't do nearly consistently enough at the moment. His pursuit is good.

**Vs Run** He's an intelligent run defender but works best as a penetrator. As he's so lean, he struggles when facing Gap blocks; he will get driven off the ball, he does eventually shed the block and pursue to make a play on the ball carrier but this will be after the runner has gained at least 5 yards. He sees pullers coming and will take them on or try to get underneath them, either way he doesn't consistently maintain gap discipline. He doesn't set a hard edge or constrict running lanes against Zone blocking but what he does do is keep his eyes in the backfield and shed blocks, with his fast hands, and is able to make plays in the backfield when he does this. He can get off blocks and tackle the ball in his gap.

### **PROJECTION & RAVENS FIT**

**Projection** Must be drafted by a 1 gap, penetrating front that will maximize his run defense, immediate role as a sub-package rusher, could be a solid starter.

Ravens Fit The Ravens have been setting their front differently over the past two years, so Booker won't be completely off their radar. He is more of a penetrator against the run and still needs to set a better edge to fit in the Ravens defense so he will need to add weight. He does have good play strength though and he's a technician as a pass-rusher with some explosion to him. He's different to what they have but I like adding the variety of a really accomplished rusher into the Edge room. He will need to flatten to the QB more consistently, but he may be worth a day 2 selection to add to the pipeline of talent at Edge.



Excellent run defender, plays with power, processing. Lots of work to do in his pass rush, both his plan and his moves, his hands are inconsistent. His power and raw athleticism will interest a team

### **PRODUCTION**

JR: 6 Sacks, 3 QB Hits, 51 Total Tackles, 2 FF SO: 2 Sacks, 1 QB Hit, 37 Total Tackles

INJURY: Missed 3 games ('22) due to calf injury

### **RAVENS FIT**

ATHLETICISM \$\frac{1}{4}\$
INTELLIGENCE \$\frac{1}{4}\$
VERSATILITY \$\frac{1}{4}\$
SCHEME \$\frac{1}{2}\$

# MARSHAWN KNEELAND EDGE WESTERN MICHIGAN 6-3 267 JR

#99 PERFORMANCE GRADE: 3.75 POTENTIAL GRADE: 4.08 POSITIONAL RANK: 8 ARM LENGTH: 34 1/2"//HAND SIZE: 9 1/8"//40YD: 4.75 (79%)//10YD: 1.65 (78%) VJ: 35 1/2" (88%)//BJ: 9'11" (81%)//BP: 21 (51%)//SS: 4.18 (97%)//3C: 7.02 (91%)

**Context** Plays mostly with his hand in the dirt as a 7 technique but they also mixed in having him stand up and rush inside.

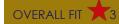
Pass Rush His upfield burst is solid but not spectacular; his processing in the run game is much better than his ability to read run pass and therefore get off the ball quickly. Has measurable explosion so has the potential to get off quicker and threaten the edge quickly but it is not at all consistently shown in game. He has demonstrated that he does have a rush plan with the way he sets up moves but the plan isn't yet well formed and doesn't always result in success as he doesn't often craft a good plan that works. Even down to down, when he's countering after his initial move is stopped, he doesn't consistently select the right counter. He has an array of moves but they are not yet well executed. He has a cross-chop that he uses but it is far too elongated, his hand comes up too high, which gives savvy OL the option to either bait him and get him off balance or to time their own strike as they can see his coming so far out. This is a variation on a theme with his hands not being consistently accurate or welltimed when rushing the passer. He has a long arm move which is initially good and can get him some movement, but better OL can reset and re-anchor against it. It's a similar story on his bull rush but this is more effective when he sets up the move with his footwork. He will counter but his counters aren't often successful as already mentioned, with the exception of a spin move that he can go to after he's got too far into the Offensive Lineman's body. He's not very bendy to corner and can struggle to get around the edge when he has some success getting there. He does have good lateral quickness and change of direction, when he's done a good job threatening the edge first, he can use this to work an inside move and it's currently the best part of his pass rush repertoire. His hand timing is particularly late when he's rushing inside which is something he was asked to do regularly in games. He's very savvy on stunts, he's able to occupy two blockers and set a pick for his teammate but he's also adept at getting into the backfield when the Guard and Tackle try to pass him off.

Vs Run He's a tough, disciplined and powerful run defender. He processes runs quickly and positions himself to maintain gap integrity and make a play on the ball carrier. He has consistently good hand timing and placement and he also works with leverage so maximizes his play strength as a run defender. He's a brilliant backside defender against Outside Zone, he has remarkable power and can flatten the OL trying to make a block against him functional before chasing down the back if they've made the bend read. When he's front-side against Outside Zone he will set a physical edge and stalemate but he won't constrict the running lane, though he will shed and tackle the runner in his gap. This is also true against Inside Zone and Duo, if the runner bounces to the outside he will tackle the ball. Against Down blocks he can see them coming early and wrestle out of them but he could do with processing pullers and TEs coming across the formation to better face down those blocks.

### **PROJECTION & RAVENS FIT**

**Projection** Can start as a Base End immediately but pass rush production will be limited initially and will require some development.

Ravens Fit I think he will provide more value to a team as a more traditional Base End on early downs. Having said that, the Ravens have been taking all different types of Defensive Linemen over recent years and finding a spot for them. Under that context he fits the bill of a developmental Defensive Lineman who will help them in defending the run immediately if he plays his way into the rotation on the DL, and can develop a more effective pass rush over time. He does need work to build a better rush plan and hone his techniques in the moves he does have. He has intriguing power to work with.



Instinctive, intelligent, explosive defender, makes plays consistently against the run. Has some pass rush potential and good in man coverage. Needs better hand usage, more Zone awareness

### **PRODUCTION**

JR: 10 Sacks, 5 QB Hits, 75 Total Tackles, 2 FF, 2 PBUs SO: 5 QB Hits, 63 Total Tackles, 1 FF, 5 PBUs, 1 INT

INJURY: None

### **RAVENS FIT**

ATHLETICISM 

INTELLIGENCE 

VERSATILITY 

GRIT 

5

SCHEME 

5

# EDGERRIN COOPER

### LB/EDGE TEXAS A&M 6-2 230 JR

#45 PERFORMANCE GRADE: 4.67 POTENTIAL GRADE: 4.92 POSITIONAL RANK: N/A ARM LENGTH: 34"//HAND SIZE: 9 3/4"//40YD: 4.51 (98%)//10YD: 1.56 (96%) VJ: 34 1/2" (73%)//BJ: 9'10" (69%)//BP: N/A (%)//SS: 4.27 (80%)//3C: 7.20 (58%)

Context Plays all over the formation, most frequently in the box as the Mike.

Vs Pass He doesn't play in coverage as often as other LBs due to his abilities as a blitzer and a pass rusher, A&M normally turn him loose towards the QB on passing downs or play him as the spy against running QBs. He excels in this role and could have a future as a more regular pass-rusher with more attention paid to his technique and some added weight, he is currently a little light in the pants and doesn't play with good play strength. What he does do is come screaming off the edge with excellent upfield burst due to his explosive ability, acceleration and processing. He can put all types of blocker under duress quickly, plays with elite bend and dip as he's running the arc. Where he struggles as a pass rusher is in his hand usage - he doesn't consistently strike with good placement or timing and there is little power in his hands. He doesn't have much of rush plan or a repertoire of moves to turn to, and he struggles to flatten to the QB when playing off the edge. He can convert speed to power for an initial impact but most blockers, including RBs are able to stalemate him once they re-anchor. He is dangerous on stunts and blitzes because of the lateral movement and speed he has. In coverage, he is smooth, a fluid mover with a good backpedal and solid transitions for the position. In Man, he's able to comfortably cover RBs out of the backfield due to his reactive athleticism and can ensure TEs can't use their play strength to gain separation at the top of the route. He's rangy in Zone coverage but he could be served by adding to his awareness, being able to periph WRs and understand route progressions better as he does allow inbreaking routes behind him without adjusting to prevent a target when he can. He quickly triggers on bubble screens and can make plays on the boundary against good YAC WRs.

Vs Run As a defender against the run he demonstrates outstanding instincts, intelligence, awareness, speed and toughness. He reads his keys at a high level and gets off his spot very quickly. He also reads the type of run quickly and understands how he can make a play against the ball carrier against Gap or Zone. He explodes forward and his first few steps are lightning fast. He can easily get underneath or around bigger blockers coming towards him, he anticipates and clears the block without a hand being laid on him. He also baits OL moving to the 2nd level by varying his speeds and positioning before using his athleticism to leave them in his wake. He also understands how to manipulate the RB, hiding behind blockers to create the illusion of a lane before closing the gap and meeting the Back in the hole. He rarely defeats blocks with his hands, he has flashed an ability to land a strike with good placement and to play with leverage but it's highly inconsistent. He generally takes excellent angles but he can over-pursue when trusting his speed too much. He's a quick trigger against outside runs and regularly tackles the ball for little to no gain or for loss. He's a good tackler and can launch into the ball-carrier but on genuine open field tackles he can over-pursue as he doesn't come under control when he gets to the ball-carrier.

### **PROJECTION & RAVENS FIT**

**Projection** Likely best fits in a defense that prioritizes versatile players that they can weaponize, could start as a traditional Mike LB but would need some work.

Ravens Fit Spending a high pick on a traditional LB given the many other needs the Ravens have, doesn't seem like a wise idea. But with the Ravens, Cooper would become another position-less wonder in their defense that the Ravens could move around the formation and would have the potential to add more to the unit. I think they could put him in the Chuck Smith pass rush development school and weight room and at the other end would come a dynamic and explosive pass-rusher who also has the skills to play off-ball. They love versatile guys, and the first line of his projection should probably just say Ravens.





# **DEFENSIVE BACKS**

Looking at Cornerback first, this is where the intersection of need and value might meet at pick 30. It isn't the biggest need for the Ravens, they have Marlon Humphrey and Brandon Stephens entrenched at the top of the depth chart after Stephens' outstanding season.

But the Ravens need depth at the position, they are never scared to look to the future (Humphrey is entering his age 28 season and the expensive cap hit years on his contract), and they must get better production more cheaply in the secondary.

Geno Stone played a vital role for the Ravens defense a year ago, allowing Kyle Hamilton and Marcus Williams (when healthy) to be deployed in their best roles in the unit. It means Safety is a need for the Ravens and I think important enough to address on day 2, although perhaps more likely on Day 3.

Current Spending: 22.45% of Cap//Ranks 1st in the NFL

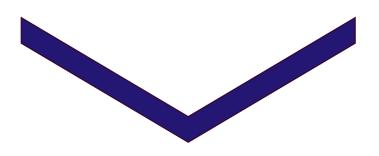
Returning Players: (CB) Marlon Humphrey, Brandon Stephens, Arthur Maulet, Jalyn Armour-Davis, Damarion Williams, Ka'dar Hollman, Christian Matthew, Tre Swilling. (S) Marcus Williams, Kyle Hamilton, Ar'Darius Washington

#### Cornerback Rankings: (Perf = Performance, Pot = Potential)

Name	Pos	School	Total Perf	Total Pot
Terrion Arnold	CB	Alabama	5.08	5.33
Quinyon Mitchell	СВ	Toledo	5.00	5.25
Cooper DeJean	СВ	lowa	5.00	5.00
Max Melton	СВ	Rutgers	4.83	4.92
Ennis Rakestraw Jr	СВ	Missouri	4.83	4.83
Mike Sainristil	SCB	Michigan	4.58	4.75
Kamari Lassiter	СВ	Georgia	4.33	4.42
Nate Wiggins	СВ	Clemson	4.17	4.25
Kool-Aid McKinstry	СВ	Alabama	4.17	4.33
Khyree Jackson	СВ	Oregon	4.08	4.25
Andru Phillips	СВ	Kentucky	3.83	4.08
T.J. Tampa	СВ	Iowa State	3.50	4.00

#### Safety Rankings: (Perf = Performance, Pot = Potential)

Name	Pos	School	Total Perf	Total Pot
Javon Bullard	S	Georgia	4.67	4.75
Jaden Hicks	S	Washington State	4.50	4.67
Tyler Nubin	S	Minnesota	4.50	4.58
Kamren Kinchens	S	Miami (FL)	4.42	4.58

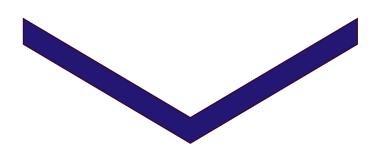




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	Athletic Ability	Mental processing	Competitive Toughness	Game IQ	Scheme Fit	Play Speed	Play Strength	
Name	Perf	Perf	Perf	Perf	Perf	Perf	Perf	
Terrion Arnold	6	5	4	5	6	6	4	
Quinyon Mitchell	5	5	5	5	5	6	4	
Cooper DeJean	5	6	5	5	6	6	4	
Max Melton	5	5	6	5	6	5	3	
Ennis Rakestraw Jr	4	5	5	5	5	5	5	
Mike Sainristil	5	4	6	5	6	4	4	
Kamari Lassiter	3	5	5	5	5	4	4	
Nate Wiggins	5	6	3	4	5	5	3	
Kool-Aid McKinstry	4	6	3	5	5	5	3	
Khyree Jackson	5	4	4	4	4	5	4	
Andru Phillips	5	2	5	3	3	3	5	
T.J. Tampa	3	5	2	5	3	4	4	

S Detailed Core Criteria Grading (Core Criteria applies to all positions)

	CORE CRITERIA								
	Athletic Ability	Mental processing	Competitive Toughness	Game 1Q	Scheme Fit	Play Speed	Play Strength		
Name	Perf	Perf	Perf	Perf	Perf	Perf	Perf		
Javon Bullard	5	5	5	5	5	5	4		
Jaden Hicks	5	5	5	5	6	5	3		
Tyler Nubin	3	5	5	5	6	4	5		
Kamren Kinchens	2	5	5	5	6	3	5		

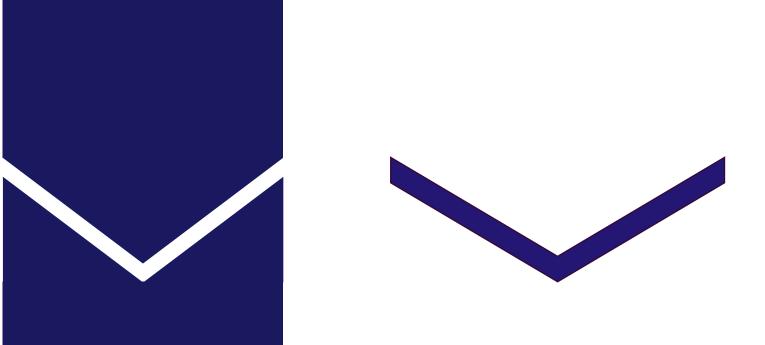




	DB CRITERIA									
	Line of Scrimmage Skills		Man Coverage		Ball Skills		Run Support		Open-field Tackling	
Name	Perf	Pot	Perf	Pot	Perf	Pot	Perf	Pot	Perf	Pot
Terrion Arnold	5	6	6	6	6	6	4	5	4	5
Quinyon Mitchell	5	6	6	6	6	6	4	5	4	5
Cooper DeJean	4	4	5	5	6	6	4	4	4	4
Max Melton	4	4	5	5	4	5	5	5	5	5
Ennis Rakestraw Jr	5	5	5	5	4	4	5	5	5	5
Mike Sainristil	4	4	3	5	4	4	5	5	5	5
Kamari Lassiter	3	4	4	4	5	5	4	4	5	5
Nate Wiggins	4	4	3	4	5	5	3	3	4	4
Kool-Aid McKinstry	4	5	5	5	5	5	3	3	2	3
Khyree Jackson	5	5	5	5	3	4	4	4	2	3
Andru Phillips	5	5	3	5	5	5	5	5	2	3
T.J. Tampa	3	5	4	5	5	6	2	3	2	3

S Detailed Defensive Back Criteria Grading (Position Criteria applies to DB only)

	DB CRITERIA									
		Kange	Man Coverage		Ball Skills		Run Support		Open-field Tackling	
Name	Perf	Pot	Perf	Pot	Perf	Pot	Perf	Pot	Perf	Pot
Javon Bullard	5	5	3	4	4	4	5	5	5	5
Jaden Hicks	4	4	5	5	5	5	4	5	2	3
Tyler Nubin	3	3	3	3	5	5	4	5	6	6
Kamren Kinchens	3	4	3	4	5	5	5	5	6	6



Outstanding cover CB with all the tools needed to play the position at a high level. He has athleticism, technique, smarts, toughness and will be a weapon for the creative play-caller

# **PRODUCTION**

JR: 29 Total Tackles, 2 INTs, 4 PBUs

SO: 62 Total Tackles, 5 INTs, 5

INJURY: Season-ending foot injury in November Jr Year

# **RAVENS FIT**

ATHLETICISM \$\square\$5
INTELLIGENCE \$\square\$5
VERSATILITY \$\square\$5
GRIT \$\square\$5
SCHEME \$\square\$5

# COOPER DEJEAN

**CB** IOWA 6-0 203JR

#3 PERFORMANCE GRADE: 5.00 POTENTIAL GRADE: 5.00 POSITIONAL RANK: 3 ARM LENGTH: 31 1/8"//HAND SIZE: 9 5/8"//40YD: 4.43 (88%)//10YD: 1.54 (84%) VJ: 38 1/2" (89%)//BJ: 10'4" (77%)//BP: 16 (79%)//SS: N/A (%)//3C: N/A (%)

**Context** Lines up mostly as the left CB in lowa's excellent defense, playing both the boundary and the field, mostly in Zone. He has been used in the slot and as a Safety but it's rare.

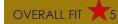
Coverage At the line of scrimmage from press he can match angles with his footwork against all types of receiver, he understands the receiver's plan and knows what he is trying to do with his release and combats it with his own plan and patience at the line. He trusts his athleticism after the release and therefore doesn't commit or allow the receiver to take any advantage of mistakes. When pressing with a jam, you'd like to see him get his hands on the receiver more consistently, he doesn't quite have the reach or the accuracy with his hands to re-route the receiver with his physical toughness and strength – it doesn't generally matter as his footwork is so good and he's too strong to be bullied but this may get taken advantage of more at the next level. In off coverage he has even more time to read what the receiver is doing and react. In bail coverage he is outstanding at reading the QB and can jump routes. In bail and off coverage against comebacks or hitch routes he can stay in the half-turn position too long and has a false step when he breaks on the ball, which does give up some separation. Except in the circumstances just outlined, at the break-point he rarely gives up much separation against many different types of receiver. He's able to win with technique, athleticism and processing. He is fluid but explosive on in-breaking routes, he's able to stay with athletic receivers running square cut breaks but he's also able to defend these routes with his play strength as receivers are unable to clear their hands and get through him efficiently into the rest of the route. He is an excellent processor in man coverage and can read receivers against even those with the best salesmanship, he will not bite on double moves. He has excellent hip fluidity; his turns/transitions are exceptional. In Zone coverage he reads route combinations and the QB at a high level, he's especially good when covering vertical routes in Cover 3 or 4, against complex route combinations designed to put him in conflict. He anticipates at a high level. Even though he is most often in phase because of all the strengths already mentioned, he also has very good ball skills - he has great timing, accuracy and placement with his hands to deflect the pass and he will turn and locate the ball with ease. When given even half an opportunity to make an interception, he will do so demonstrating great hands and excellent body position to make high degree of difficulty catches on the sideline. If he has a chance to the run the route for the receiver vertically downfield, show his ball tracking and over the shoulder catching, he will do.

**Run Support** He uses his physical toughness to set a hard edge as a force player against outside receivers, he doesn't as consistently bench press bigger blockers like Full Backs and Tight Ends but he shows aggression and willingness to try and set an edge. He's an outstanding open field tackler and puts his body on the line against even bigger ball carriers but he can sometimes go too high and be shaken off.

#### **PROJECTION & RAVENS FIT**

**Projection** Starting CB who is versatile enough to cover all-comers and could eventually be deployed creatively as a defensive weapon.

Ravens Fit DeJean is the dream fit for the Ravens. Athletic, technically sound, physically tough, intelligent, and versatile, he would fit this defense like a glove. The unit has a multitude of position-less players who do many different things at a high level; adding DeJean too, at outside CB, would leave QBs needing to account for too many different threats when they come to the line. His ball skills would also add an element at CB that they don't currently have at his high level, he could take the ball away with regularity in the NFL. I don't see how the Ravens get a chance to take him but if they do, they should run the card up.



CB who excels jamming at the LOS and disrupting the route with physicality. Can be a little grabby and will need to adjust at the next level. Really good run support

# **PRODUCTION**

RS JR: 33 To. Tackles, 2 PBUs, 1 FF RS SO: 40 Total Tackles, 1 INT, 10 PBUs, 1 FF

10 Career Return TDs

INJURY: Core muscle surgery (RS JR) Torn ACL (SO)

# **RAVENS FIT**

ATHLETICISM \$\frac{1}{2}5\$

INTELLIGENCE \$\frac{1}{2}4\$

VERSATILITY \$\frac{1}{2}4\$

GRIT \$\frac{1}{2}5\$

SCHEME \$\frac{1}{2}4\$

# ENNIS RAKESTRAW JR.

**CB** MISSOURI **5-11 183** JR

#2 PERFORMANCE GRADE: 4.83 POTENTIAL GRADE: 4.83 POSITIONAL RANK: 5 ARM LENGTH: 32"//HAND SIZE: 8 1/2"//40YD: 4.51 (67%)//10YD: 1.52 (91%) VJ: N/A (%)//BJ: 10'0" (52%)//BP: 13 (54%)//SS: 4.38 (32%)//3C: N/A (%)

Context Versatile CB who plays mostly outside but does play in the slot too.

Coverage He is a physical and aggressive CB with good play strength, so he is more comfortable in press man with a jam. He can get his hands on the receiver and disrupt the route at the line of scrimmage. He has good placement and timing with his hands that allows him to keep the receiver off his stem. Against him, any shorter routes are tough to target as he can keep the receiver pinned to the sideline or severely disrupt the timing of the route. His aggressive temperament in this phase of the route is extremely effective and will allow him to take advantage of the first five yards of the route at the next level. When in soft press he does have good foot speed to match angles and he's patient, however receivers with a very good plan at the line of scrimmage can compete against him. In off or bail coverage he shows his ability to read the receiver and understands very well where routes will break. He then uses his excellent reactive athleticism, but he is also reliant on his physicality here, something he won't be able to use as frequently at the next level. At the break-point he will match most receivers with play strength and competitiveness, as they struggle to clear their hands to disengage. It means he is very sticky at the breakpoint, but he lives on the verge of holding penalties. If he doesn't press with a jam at the line of scrimmage and the receiver is a very good salesman with his routes, and therefore able to keep enough space between them to prevent him using his physicality, then he will give up just over an arm-length of separation on in-breaking, 90 degree underneath routes. In most other circumstances he is able to use his excellent hip fluidity and his reactive athleticism to mirror receivers in a confined area and stay in phase, making it very difficult for the QB to target his guy. He has excellent footwork and his turns are effective. In Zone coverage, he does read the QB well but he could process route progressions more effectively so he can better understand how the offense is trying to attack their coverage. He will drive on the football with explosion and he can find the football well but he doesn't always time his pass break-ups perfectly and it can leave him unable to get his hands on the ball, especially against bigger receivers who understand how to position their body to help prevent him from getting hands on the ball. When he does catch the ball he's a dangerous return weapon.

**Run Support** His physicality, toughness, aggression and competitiveness show up in his run support. He diagnoses the run effectively and is eager to get involved. He will play his role as a force player but he's not just looking to hold up, he wants to constrict the running lane and make a play on the ball carrier. He will insert himself against the run. He takes excellent angles in pursuit to the ball carrier and once he gets there, you can see him deploy his physicality, laying big hits, but he also has outstanding technique, making sure he wraps up. He gets all types of runner to the ground, even far bigger Running Backs. He flies to the football when there is a chance to make a hit on a receiver or running back.

#### **PROJECTION & RAVENS FIT**

**Projection** Starting CB who likely best fits in a heavier man scheme but is likely scheme diverse with some development.

Ravens Fit Rakestraw really does play like a Raven, his physicality and absolute desire to get after ball carriers and make hits reminds me of this current iteration of the Ravens defense. He would fit perfectly as a third front-line starting CB and is versatile enough to be moved around the formation like Marlon Humphrey is too. He would fit in perfectly as another guy who would willingly get involved in run support. He does however require a little bit of development as a Zone defender and the Ravens run far more Zone coverage than they used to under previous DCs, I don't think that stops him from feeling like a Raven though.



Good processor and athletic ability to play the position, allows him to stay in phase on short/intermediate routes against most competition.

Big deficiency vs corner and post routes, must fix

# **PRODUCTION**

JR: 26 Total Tackles, 4 PBUs, 2 INTs, 1 QB Hit, 1 Sack, 2 FF SO: 29 Total Tackles, 1 INT, 10 PBUs

INJURY: Left Knee Bone Bruise (JR)

# **RAVENS FIT**

ATHLETICISM \$\frac{1}{4}\$
INTELLIGENCE \$\frac{1}{4}\$
VERSATILITY \$\frac{1}{2}\$
GRIT \$\frac{1}{2}\$
SCHEME \$\frac{1}{4}\$

# NATE WIGGINS CB CLEMSON 6-1 173 JR

#2 PERFORMANCE GRADE: 4.17 POTENTIAL GRADE: 4.25 POSITIONAL RANK: 8 ARM LENGTH: 30 1/2"//HAND SIZE: 9"//40YD: 4.28 (100%)//10YD: 1.50 (96%) VJ: 36" (68%)//BJ: 10'7" (89%)//BP: N/A (%)//SS: N/A (%)//3C: N/A (%)

Context Has played almost exclusively at outside CB his entire career at Clemson.

Coverage When he presses with a jam at the line of scrimmage, he can get his hands on the Wide Receiver and disrupt the route. Against those with average play strength, he can keep the receiver pinned at the line of scrimmage or to the sideline. Against bigger and stronger receivers, he can compete because of the timing with his hands - he's patient and latches on at the right time. There are times when his hands aren't as accurate as they could be against this type of competition, usually due to the size of the receiver. When he's in soft press, he does have solid footwork and can match angles with solid competition but those receivers with an excellent release plan and a variety of moves off the line, can win when he doesn't jam. Against off or bail coverage, when the receiver eats up the cushion quickly, he can remain a little flat-footed to react to moves from the receiver. He has good processing, and it means he's able to stay in phase on most short and intermediate routes against the competition he saw in college. He can read the receiver's hips and reads route progressions well. When he's in off coverage, he reacts well and can transition to forward movement with explosion to break on the ball, but this must be from a standing start, he has some wasted motion when he transitions to forward movement from his backpedal. Against the better route salesmen he saw, he could struggle as he does rely on his processing ability to stay in phase consistently. He has the athletic ability to recover, and that allowed him to compete against average competition, but he can give up separation at the break point on short and intermediate routes when the receiver has used their stem to manipulate him. On go routes against all types of receiver he is able to stay in phase though he does have a deficiency with his hip fluidity, this doesn't hurt him so much on go routes as it's a straight turn and run. The jerky hip movement does hurt him on post and corner routes, particularly against those receivers with great technique, processing or speed as they are able to manipulate him in the early portion of the route and create separation downfield, he can sometimes turn the entirely wrong way after getting put in a blender by those better receivers. He has excellent ball skills on short and intermediate routes, even bigger receivers struggle to keep him from getting his hands on the football, which he does with good timing and accuracy. On downfield throws he must turn and locate the football with more consistency when he's in phase. I've explained that he is able to stay close on go routes but he then struggles to break up the pass as he doesn't find the ball well.

**Run Support** He doesn't insert himself in the run game as a defender, and will rarely play as a dominant force player on the edge. He doesn't often disengage from blocks and when he is called upon to tackle bigger ball carriers he will dive low and not look to wrap at all. Against receivers, he is a better open field tackler, and has both willing and desire to get his man to the ground, you can see him fly to the line of scrimmage and lay big hits on receivers.

#### **PROJECTION & RAVENS FIT**

**Projection** Has tools to be a starting outside CB in a heavier Zone scheme due to his processing ability but there will be significant growing pains defending deep balls early in his career, he will need to fix this to be a long-term starter.

Ravens Fit Corner is one of the easier positions to have a good feel for how a guy might play like a Raven. Wiggins, for me, doesn't clearly play like a Raven. He doesn't have the competitive toughness that the Ravens look for in their Defensive Backs. While he has the athletic ability and processing that the Ravens look for, these don't stand out as elite and don't at all make-up for his lack of grit. He's not especially versatile and this would hurt him with the Ravens, if he is the pick, he would need to wait his turn behind Stephens and Humphrey.



Elite starting outside CB, high processor so will be scheme diverse but will work best as a press CB. Great length, hip mobility, speed and explosion. Almost never out of phase, elite ball skills

# **PRODUCTION**

SO: 50 Total Tackles, 1 Sack, 3 Hurries, 5 INTs, 13 PBUs, 1 FF FR: 35 Total Tackles, 1 INT, 7 PBUs

INJURY: 1 concussion SO

# RAVENS FIT

ATHLETICISM \$\frac{1}{2}5\$
INTELLIGENCE \$\frac{1}{2}4\$
VERSATILITY \$\frac{1}{2}4\$
GRIT \$\frac{1}{2}4\$
SCHEME \$\frac{1}{2}5\$

# TERRION ARNOLD CB ALABAMA 5-11 189 RS SO

#3 PERFORMANCE GRADE: 5.08 POTENTIAL GRADE: 5.33 POSITIONAL RANK: 1 ARM LENGTH: 31 5/8"//HAND SIZE: 8 7/8"//40YD: 4.50 (71%)//10YD: 1.52 (91%) VJ: 37" (77%)//BJ: 10'9" (93%)//BP: N/A (%)//SS: 4.24 (62%)//3C: 6.69 (96%)

**Context** Plays the outside CB mainly but has spent some time in the slot against the opposition's most dangerous receiver.

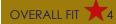
Coverage He has excellent line of scrimmage skills and works especially well in press. He is exceptional in soft press; he has elite footwork to match angles and he reads the receiver's intentions. He has outstanding reactive athleticism and is rarely, if ever, beaten off the line in this scenario. He is patient, he doesn't over-commit, and when the receiver does commit, he can use his explosion and the oiliest of hips to stay in phase through the early portion of the route. When pressing with a jam, he can use his length to his advantage and severely disrupt the route, keeping receivers pinned to the line of scrimmage or to the sideline. In off coverage he can give up separation to elite receivers who can effectively attack leverage and get into his blind spot. When in bail he's able to read route progressions and the QB and break on the football. He has outstanding awareness as a Zone defender. Against the very best competition, he can give up separation from bail and off on 90 degree underneath routes when protecting a lead and keeping everything in front of them but even here he competes with his processing and explosion. In man coverage, he's able to mirror a Wide Receiver in confined spaces and is almost always in phase. His transitions are smooth, yet explosive. Against hard-angle routes he can use his explosion to stay in phase, against vertical routes, speed cuts or square cuts, his hip mobility, acceleration and speed keep him close at all times. He does have an infrequent habit of giving an extra yard of cushion in reaction to a break - he bows his own path slightly away from the WR, this isn't consistent against any particular type of break and is rare but something to watch at the next level. He can also bite on pivot routes and double moves but he recovers quickly with his hips and his speed. Other than those two particular circumstances, he's always in phase in man coverage, he processes at a high level and reads the WRs hips, opponents must be technically excellent to have any chance at gaining separation. He will also compete with physicality at the break-point, it's tough to disengage from him using play strength. His length is also an advantage for his ball skills, where his elite timing and placement allow him to get to balls that he has no right to break up. If he has given up some separation at the break-point, his aggression, explosion and ball skills can allow him to frequently recover and still prevent a reception.

**Run Support** You'd like to see him more aggressive as a force player and look to constrict running lanes, as well as trigger the run more quickly in general. He will take on much bigger ball carriers and bring them down by throwing his body at them.

#### PROJECTION & RAVENS FIT

**Projection** Likely scheme diverse immediate starting outside CB, not as effective in the slot so should limit exposure there for best results.

Ravens Fit One of the very best players in the draft and highly unlikely to be available when the Ravens pick at the end of the round. Having said that, he will be high on the Ravens draft board due to his physicality, processing and athleticism. He doesn't have a great deal of versatility but that doesn't matter too much given how elite he projects to be as an outside CB, he can hold down a CB spot for a team for a decade. He would slot immediately in as a starting CB for the Ravens even with the talent of Humphrey and Stephens. He would stick outside and they could deploy the others in different roles.



Starting CB in a Man heavy scheme at the next level.

Speed, explosion, processing and great ball skills make it very difficult to complete anything on him. Played well when faced higher competition

### **PRODUCTION**

JR: 45 Total Tackles, 1 INT, 14 PBUs SO: 35 Total Tackles, 5 INTs, 13 PBUs

INJURY: None

# **RAVENS FIT**

ATHLETICISM \$\square\$5

INTELLIGENCE \$\square\$5

VERSATILITY \$\square\$5

GRIT \$\square\$3

SCHEME \$\square\$3

# QUINYON MITCHELL CB TOLEDO 6-0 195 JR

#27 PERFORMANCE GRADE: 5.00 POTENTIAL GRADE: 5.25 POSITIONAL RANK: 2 ARM LENGTH: 31"//HAND SIZE: 9 1/4"//40YD: 4.33 (99%)//10YD: 1.54 (84%) VJ: 38" (85%)//BJ: 10'0" (52%)//BP: 20 (96%)//SS: N/A (%)//3C: N/A (%)

**Context** Plays outside CB mostly, both left and right, field and boundary, and most of the time in Off Man.

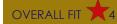
Coverage When in press he has the footwork to match angles with even the most fleet of foot receivers, he is explosive and has excellent hip mobility so it's very hard to get distance from him in the release. His work with his hands when he jams at the line needs some development, he can be liable to hang both hands out, over-extending and receivers with good technique in their release can clear their hands. His footwork is so good, and he is so explosive that they rarely put him in trail, even after having defeated his jam. He's more accurate and has better timing when he uses one hand on his jam but he'll need to find a way to get both hands on more consistently at the next level. In off man, which he's in a lot, he's able to read the intentions of the receiver and only those with a remarkably consistent stem are able to keep him guessing. In bail, he isn't actually as proficient at reading the QB as he is reading receivers so he won't react as quickly. He mirrors will on all types of route. On deep comebacks and hitches, he reads the receiver, anticipates the break and engages his excellent drive mechanics and vertical explosion to either prevent a target or make a play on the ball at the top of the WR's route. His excellent processing of receivers' intentions is also demonstrated when facing routes with a 90 degree angle, he's often taken a step in the direction of the break when the receiver has barely even started to make their own turn showcasing once again his deadly combination of processing and explosive athleticism. On slants, he's able to open his hips quickly and drive on the ball, he'll often make a play on the ball but will almost always at least ensure the receiver is tackled with no gain, this is normally depending on how much cushion the receiver was initially given depending on game situation. On deeper vertical cut routes like posts and corners, he is liable to have his hips turned the wrong way by WRs who are more technically refined and astute in their own processing and therefore able to manipulate his hips, but his athletic ability allows him to recover against even the most athletic receivers he's faced in college. His drive and transition mechanics are elite, he's able to make transitions with complete economy of movement and maximize his already impressive athletic ability. He's compact in his backpedal, everything he does is smooth and precise. He triggers so quickly on the ball that he's able to make all kinds of plays at the catch-point. He has great accuracy and timing to his hands when going for the PBU. He has two types of open-field tackle he deploys. He breaks down well regardless, coming from high to low and using his own lateral explosion to stay close enough to make a form tackle. Except on the sideline against bigger ball carriers when he dives at the runners feet and throws a shoulder. This can result in better running backs using a large paw to hold him off and break his tackle.

**Run Support** Good in run support, good click and close, aggressive, and tough.

#### **PROJECTION & RAVENS FIT**

**Projection** Excellent starting CB in a heavy man scheme where he can use his skills reading receivers to add to his athleticism.

Ravens Fit First things first, it's hard to see him dropping to the end of the 1st round, there is so much to like about him as a player that it will need a significant trade up to get him. If there's a miracle and the Ravens trade that far or he drops, Mitchell has a number of traits the Ravens crave at Defensive Back, he has solid size and length, he has outstanding athleticism, and he plays smart, especially in Man coverage. The Ravens run a lot more Zone than they used to on Defense and he's a far better fit as a Man CB which might be one area he doesn't fit like a glove.



Great in coverage, elite processing, instincts and reactive athleticism without ideal explosion. Good ball skills. Not the most aggressive run defender, some issues with open field tackling

# **PRODUCTION**

JR: 1 QB Hit, 34 Total Tackles, 4 PBUs

SO: 1 QB Hit, 36 Total Tackles, 1 INT, 16 PBUs

INJURY: None

# **RAVENS FIT**

ATHLETICISM 3
INTELLIGENCE 5
VERSATILITY 3
GRIT 2
SCHEME 44

# KOOL-AID MCKINSTRY CB ALABAMA 5-11 199 JR

#1 PERFORMANCE GRADE: 4.17 POTENTIAL GRADE: 4.33 POSITIONAL RANK: 9 ARM LENGTH: 32"//HAND SIZE: 8 1/2"//40YD: 4.47 (79%)//10YD: 1.44 (100%) VJ: 34 1/2" (50%)//BJ: 10'1" (58%)//BP: N/A (%)//SS: N/A (%)//3C: N/A (%)

Context Plays mostly as the Right outside CB regardless of field or boundary.

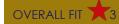
Coverage At the line of scrimmage in soft press or catch-man, he has the footwork and foot speed to match angles with even the most athletic Wider Receivers. He is patient and it is very hard to get him to commit. He can be susceptible to a straight speed release into a vertical route from the most explosive Wide Receivers he's faced but he'll compete even in this scenario. When he presses with a jam, he's not as consistently patient with his hands as he is with his feet. When he times the jam well, he can use his length to disrupt the receiver, as he does place his hands effectively. When he doesn't stay patient, his hand is more of a touch on the shoulder and is easily wiped away by those receivers with solid play strength and a good release package. In off and bail coverage he's difficult to target as he plays with such high intelligence that he will always be able to click and close quickly. His processing, along with his footwork, foot speed, hip fluidity and savvy physicality at the break point are what allows him to stay in phase in man coverage in most situations. He reads route progressions and receivers' posture at a very high level, it allows him to stay in phase despite a lack of ideal explosion for the position. He is not easily fooled by salesmanship on deeper routes with a break like post and corners as he reads progressions so well and knows when a receiver is going to break off their stem and work to the inside on a dig route or the outside on a deep out. On these routes, he is routinely in phase and preventing a target from the QB against all types of receiver. He will make transitions almost instantaneously as the receiver makes a cut. He does also have good movement skills in transition, in his backpedal and on the half-turn in Zone. He has good physicality and play strength at the break point too, he lives on the edge of holding but does it expertly as he wasn't penalized once last season. Stands his ground and is very hard to break through. He's excellent in short areas including on hitch and slant routes – he stays close due to his reactive athleticism. Where he is likely to be out of phase is on broken plays because the WR is freestyling and he can't use his high-level processing. There will likely be an adjustment period at the next level for this as there will be when he is inevitably targeted with option routes, but he has the intelligence to get up to speed with it. He breaks well on underneath routes from Zone coverage, especially bubble screens and anything thrown behind the line, his trigger on this is impressive. When getting to the ball, he has very good ball skills, with good timing and placement in getting his hands on the ball.

**Run Support** He is functional as a force player but he doesn't constrict running lanes, nor does he particularly aggressively get involved in the running game. He will take on Wide Receiver blocks but hangs an arm out instead of going for the tackle on bigger ball carriers, when it's unavoidable he shrinks from contact with bigger backs. As an open-field tackler on lighter receivers, he's far more aggressive but doesn't form tackle well as he doesn't wrap, resulting in missed tackles in the open-field.

#### **PROJECTION & RAVENS FIT**

**Projection** Starting excellent cover CB who has the movement skills to play inside/out but must be a more willing run defender to be truly versatile.

Ravens Fit Watching McKinstry cover some of the best Wide Receivers in this class and prevent targets was a sight to see and any team would want his coverage skills on their defensive unit. I also think he's good enough in short areas that he would add another versatile piece to the Ravens backfield. He's also exceptionally intelligent and plays with a high football IQ at all times with really good play speed. However, the Ravens will likely not be able to get past the absence of aggression and overall willing in the run game. This defense is also now built on outstanding open-field tackling which McKinstry won't add to.



Versatile starting CB, good processor with enough athleticism allows him to stay in phase on most types of routes, competes on verts but some issues in transition.

Excellent ball skills

# **PRODUCTION**

JR: 1 QB Hit, 38 Total Tackles, 5 PBUs

SO: 41 Total Tackles, 2 PBUs

INJURY: None

# RAVENS FIT

ATHLETICISM \$\frac{1}{4}\$
INTELLIGENCE \$\frac{1}{4}\$
SCHEME \$\frac{1}{4}\$

# KAMARI LASSITER

# **CB** GEORGIA **5-11 186** JR

#3 PERFORMANCE GRADE: 4.33 POTENTIAL GRADE: 4.42 POSITIONAL RANK: 7 ARM LENGTH: 30 7/8" // HAND SIZE: 8 7/8" //40YD: 4.64 (28%)//10YD: 1.58 (62%) VJ: N/A (%)//BJ: N/A (%)//BP: N/A (%)//SS: 4.12 (84%)//3C: 6.62 (98%)

**Context** Plays mostly as the outside boundary CB, but did play a lot in the slot to match Luther Burden against Mizzou.

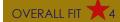
Coverage Easily has the speed and footwork to match angles in press coverage at the line without a jam. When he does jam he has good length and he remains patient but those with good play strength can get a clean release when he jams. In soft press, his patience continues to be a virtue as he waits for the receiver to make a move but those with a varied release package and close the space to him effectively with foot fires or hops, can get him off balance when it converts to a press release. When in off or bail he's able sit back and wait for the receiver, he is able to use his processing to stay in phase through the early portion of the route. On more hard angle routes, either 90 or 180 degrees for digs, outs, hitches etc. he reads the WR and route progressions at a high level and has enough explosion to break when the receiver breaks. He is often in phase at the top of these types of routes and is sticky at the break-point with good physicality. He has good reactive athleticism and will compete against even those savviest receivers with the most consistent stems. When turning and running with more vertical routes, his hips are a little stiff and his footwork can get a little messy, but he turns early as he sees the route coming and has enough speed over 5-10 yards to get back in phase quickly. As the route develops further, those with more elite speed can challenge him downfield but he does compete and stays close enough to deploy his excellent ball skills at the catch-point. Has very good ball skills to break up the pass but isn't often targeted because of how effectively he stays in phase. When he is targeted on deep routes he turns and locates the ball before using his hands to get the PBU with great timing and accuracy. This is also true on shorter and intermediate routes when he swats at the ball with outstanding timing, seemingly always getting there at the same time as the ball. He is a very good open field tackler, he can get most ball carriers to the ground on most types of tackle, whether it be taking on bigger guys head-on or a shoestring tackle on a guy that looks to be escaping upfield. He has great form, hits hard with his shoulder but brings his arms to wrap up too.

**Run Support** He quickly positions himself as a force player, doesn't constrict running lanes but will get off the block and make a play. Excellent click and close and willing to get involved against the run, aggressive and physical toughness.

#### **PROJECTION & RAVENS FIT**

**Projection** Versatile starting CB that will play outside and nickel, scheme diverse.

Ravens Fit Lassiter is an excellent fit with the Ravens on many different fronts. He looks like a Raven with the way he plays the run from the CB position, with an excellent trigger and aggression as well as making form tackles on even bigger ball carriers. He also flies to the football on WR screens. He is intelligent and it keeps him in phase on most type of routes and he has inside out versatility, Georgia deployed him in the slot when facing dangerous weapons there. I don't think he's quite as athletic as the Ravens like but that won't stop them from pulling the trigger on him, I think. The versatility seals it for me as he would enter the CB rotation with Stephens and Humphrey quickly.



Developmental Press Man
CB, could have exceptional
skills at the LOS if he develops
a jam. To play this role
though he will need to
develop more aggression
and toughness as a run
defender

# **PRODUCTION**

SR: 49 Total Tackles, 6 PBUs, 2 INTs

SO: 48 Total Tackles, 1 FF, 8 PBUs, 1 INT

INJURY: None

# **RAVENS FIT**

ATHLETICISM \$\frac{1}{\pi}3\$

INTELLIGENCE \$\frac{1}{\pi}4\$

VERSATILITY \$\frac{1}{\pi}2\$

GRIT \$\frac{1}{\pi}2\$

SCHEME \$\frac{1}{\pi}3\$

# T.J. TAMPA

# CB IOWA STATE 6-0 189 SR

#2 PERFORMANCE GRADE: 3.50 POTENTIAL GRADE: 4.00 POSITIONAL RANK: 12 ARM LENGTH: 32 1/8"//HAND SIZE: 9 5/8"//40YD: 4.58 (45%)//10YD: 1.64 (23%) VJ: N/A (%)//BJ: N/A (%)//BP: N/A (%)//SS: 4.07 (91%)//3C: 6.97 (65%)

Context Plays almost exclusively as the outside CB, converted WR.

Coverage In press he has the size, length and footwork to be the complete press man CB but he hasn't put it all together yet. His footwork in soft press is excellent, he's able to match angles with most types of receiver. There is some tightness in the hips but he is able to flip his hips and run with the receiver downfield when they make their move. He doesn't yet consistently disrupt the receiver with leverage. And the main area for development is when he jams a receiver at the line. He lacks any kind of plan for press with a jam and he has poor hand timing and placement. Given his size and the play strength that shows up at the break-point and the catch-point, he does have the potential to grow this part of his game with more understanding of technique and how to attack a receiver at the line. He's good in bail and off coverage, he works well on the half-turn. In Man coverage, it's first worth noting that he doesn't have ideal long speed and it can affect him against better athletes when running downfield on vertical routes. He has excellent processing and reads his opponent at a high level, allowing him to supplement his quick feet and relatively fluid hips to stay in phase on shorter and intermediate inbreaking and out-breaking routes. On hitches and comebacks there is a small false step in his drive mechanics when he breaks on the ball. Will compete at the break point with subtle hand usage and play strength allowing him to compete, even with bigger receivers like Tight Ends. Despite his lack of experience playing in the slot, he may be a good matchup weapon for NFL teams because of this. He is aggressive at the catch-point and has excellent timing with his hands to break up the pass. As a former receiver, he often sells out to make the interception and on occasion this can mean he misses the more simple pass break-up. In general, while his hand timing is good at the catch-point, his accuracy is not always there.

**Run Support** At times he will shrink from contact in taking on blocks. He will play as a force player but do the bare minimum and won't constrict running lanes. He normally stands his ground rather than attacking blocks when it's appropriate to do so. As an open-field tackler that lack of aggression and competitiveness shows itself again as he makes himself small when facing down bigger ball carriers with little technique. When tackling smaller receivers he will show more willing but can give up a running lane and lunge/leave his feet.

#### PROJECTION & RAVENS FIT

**Projection** Developmental starting Press Man CB who will need to up the ante on his aggression to allow him to be serviceable in run support.

Ravens Fit Feels like a perfect Ravens fit of old, a developmental Press Man guy with good length and size for the position. I don't think he fits particularly well with the new Ravens defense. He is a good processor and certainly has some skills in coverage. And the Ravens are looking for outside CB depth which he would fit the bill for. But the biggest red flag for the Ravens will be his lack of grit and aggression as a run defender as well as the challenges he has as an openfield tackler. They also prioritise versatile defenders now and Tampa's best fit will undoubtedly be as a Press Man CB, once he develops a useful jam.



Slot or outside CB with good athleticism, LOS skills and ball skills. Plays the run hard, with aggression and toughness.

Must improve his processing to stay in phase and his open-field tackling

# **PRODUCTION**

JR: 50 Total Tackles, 6 PBUs SO: 1 Sack, 1 QB Hit, 23 Total Tackles, 4 PBUs

INJURY: Missed 1 game in Senior season

# **RAVENS FIT**

ATHLETICISM \$\frac{1}{4}\$
INTELLIGENCE \$\frac{1}{2}\$
VERSATILITY \$\frac{1}{3}\$
GRIT \$\frac{1}{5}\$
SCHEME \$\frac{1}{3}\$

# ANDRU PHILLIPS

# **CB** KENTUCKY **5-10 190** JR

#23 PERFORMANCE GRADE: 3.83 POTENTIAL GRADE: 4.08 POSITIONAL RANK: 11 ARM LENGTH: 31 1/4"//HAND SIZE: 8 3/4"//40YD: 4.48 (76%)//10YD: 1.60 (47%) VJ: 42" (99%)//BJ: 11'3" (99%)//BP: 16 (79%)//SS: 4.29 (49%)//3C: 6.98 (63%)

Context Plays the field as the outside CB for Kentucky but also played in the slot.

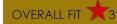
Coverage When he's in press man, he has an excellent plan and is patient when facing even the most athletic WRs, he trusts his own athleticism and technique. He has good foot speed and excellent hip mobility that allows him to match angles with most Wide Receivers when working in soft-shoe press. When he jams, he uses the length he has, which is good for his overall size and good timing and accuracy to disrupt the route early. He has good play strength and it means he works well at the LOS. He can give up too much cushion in off or bail coverage and he has some issues reading the Quarterback and route progressions to quickly break on the football on underneath routes from Off or Bail. He has also played some catchman and can end up flat-footed against savvier WRs who set up their breaks well. When in man coverage he can stay in phase with his athleticism but can give up separation at the top of routes due to his processing deficiency. He is explosive, smooth and there is little wasted movement in his transitions, whether it be exploding vertically to cover routes that call for 180 degree break, or opening his hips to cover in-breaking 90 degree routes. He is however a little slow to react, usually on the drive step on 2 step routes, which means that offenses with good timing can find some joy against him, he will close the cushion he gives up quickly due to his explosion but it's still separation nonetheless. He has excellent ball skills, when he's in phase and running downfield, he can locate the ball and gets his hands on it. He has great timing and placement at the catch-point on shorter and intermediate routes. If a ball is completed on him, he can get overly aggressive in going for the big hit and can get beaten by a savvy YAC-getter who can turn him for extra yards. He will click and close on bubble screens to wide receivers and will move quickly to a ball completed in his vicinity but his open field tackling could see improvement. He comes under control well but when he sets up, he gives the ball carrier an angle that they can exploit. When he does get close enough to tackle, he goes low and hits hard but he's inconsistent in wrapping up so those with good contact balance can brush him off.

**Run Support** Ridiculously aggressive and competitive run defender, will get under, around or through blocks and actually showcases excellent UOH to defeat blocks. Inserts himself against the run and plays with discipline as a force player.

#### **PROJECTION & RAVENS FIT**

**Projection** Low-end versatile starter who you will win in spite of until he improves his play speed, as NFL WRs will take advantage of his small deficiencies.

Ravens Fit Phillips will play in the league early and should he develop in his reading of the game, he could be a valuable starter at slot and maybe outside in the future. He certainly plays the run like a Raven, with reckless abandon. But, this is a sure tackling unit now and that is one of Phillips' weaknesses. He has good versatility which the Ravens covet, but the development curve is likely too steep for them to prioritise adding Phillips, I think the improvement needed as a processor will make him a difficult fit in a defense that now plays complex on the back-end. He also wouldn't beat out re-signed Arhtur Maulet in year one.



Tough, athletic, high IQ Zone defender who makes plays on the football. Ferocious hitter for his size and takes on anyone in the run game. Has some deficiencies in man coverage. Slot-only

# **PRODUCTION**

SR: 2 Sacks, 42 Total Tackles, 2

FF, 6 PBUs, 6 INTs

JR: 2 Sacks, 3 QB Hits, 57 Total

Tackles, 6 PBUs, 1 INT

INJURY: None

# **RAVENS FIT**

ATHLETICISM \$\interligence \frac{1}{\pi}4

VERSATILITY \$\frac{1}{\pi}3

GRIT \$\frac{1}{\pi}5

SCHEME \$\frac{1}{\pi}5

# MIKE SAINRISTIL

# DB MICHIGAN 5-9 182 SR

#0 PERFORMANCE GRADE: 4.58 POTENTIAL GRADE: 4.75 POSITIONAL RANK: 6 ARM LENGTH: 30 7/8"//HAND SIZE: 8 1/2"//40YD: 4.47 (79%)//10YD: 1.54 (84%) VJ: 40" (95%)//BJ: 10'11" (96%)//BP: 14 (63%)//SS: 4.01 (95%)//3C: 6.99 (63%)

Context Plays almost exclusively in the slot and most often in Zone.

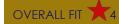
Coverage At the line of scrimmage when jamming in press man, he doesn't have a plan with his hands and just hangs his hands out there, most WRs will quickly clear their hands. However, in press without a jam and soft press, he has excellent footwork and explosion to match angles, it's difficult to win early against him when he's up in your face because of this. He spends the majority of his time in off or bail and ends up in an underneath Zone. He thrives in Zone coverage when he's able to sit back, periph the WRs and read the Quarterback. He trusts his eyes, reacts to danger in his Zone, has great click and close using his processing and explosive ability to move quickly on anything thrown in front of him. When he's mirroring in man coverage, he can use his explosion and his hip mobility to compete against most competition and on most routes. His transitions are very good, he opens his hips to run with the receiver, and his acceleration out of the transition is excellent. He covers most vertical routes with ease thanks to his athleticism. However, he does not read Wide Receivers at a high level in Man, and could react more quickly to the break from the WR on in-breaking routes. He can be set up by Wide Receivers with good salesmanship, especially on intermediate routes where he can be sold on the deep route, and he is also liable to bite on double moves. When in Zone he is a dangerous weapon and as a former Wide Receiver, he's a threat to pick the ball off and to score. He is also an excellent open field tackler and will take on all types of ball carrier in the open field. He's able to come under control and reacts quickly to change of direction. He makes form tackles and will often throw his body at bigger ball carriers with little regard for himself, the only aim being to get the man to the ground which he does at a very high rate. When in Man, his ball skills for pass breakups are good, his hands are accurate and well timed but against savvier WRs with bigger bodies and who know how to use them to protect the ball, his lack of length can mean he doesn't get a piece of the ball, even when in phase. When locked up downfield and the throw is accurate, he needs to do a better job of finding the football.

**Run Support** Ridiculously effective and willing defender in run support. He's quick to read run/pass and gets involved immediately. Sticks his nose in where it's not wanted and goes after the football. He plays with great play strength against bigger blockers and can get under, through or around blocks to make a play on the ball carrier. He often looks like a Linebacker filling the gap in the box. He will shoot into the backfield, is dangerous as a blitzer and can be used as a general defensive weapon.

#### **PROJECTION & RAVENS FIT**

**Projection** Starting slot CB in a Zone heavy scheme.

Ravens Fit The Ravens are always on the lookout for tough and athletic CBs and Sainristil fits this bill perfectly. He's a slot CB only so doesn't have the ideal versatility that the Ravens would look for out of their Defensive Backs and while he would get on the field, at the Ravens he would likely be competing with Kyle Hamilton for playing time, a battle that wouldn't go well for him. He's a great fit for the Ravens apart from his lack of versatility, and certainly has the football IQ, toughness and tackling prowess that they need. But, as he wouldn't likely get on the field in nickel situations, the Ravens would need to spend a Day 2 pick on a guy that wouldn't get enough snaps to warrant the investment.



Will be a very good Post
Safety in the league but is
versatile enough to play
some other spots. Tough,
physical run defender, highspeed processor when
reading the QB

# **PRODUCTION**

JR: 58 Total Tackles, 1 FF, 5 PBUs, 2 INTs

SO: 4 Sacks, 48 Total Tackles, 5 PBUs, 2 INTs

INJURY: Ankle injury, missed 2 games (JR)

# **RAVENS FIT**

ATHLETICISM \$\frac{1}{4}\$
INTELLIGENCE \$\frac{1}{4}\$
VERSATILITY \$\frac{1}{3}\$
GRIT \$\frac{1}{4}\$
SCHEME \$\frac{1}{4}\$

# JAVON BULLARD

**S** GEORGIA **5-10 198** JR

#22 PERFORMANCE GRADE: 4.67 POTENTIAL GRADE: 4.75 POSITIONAL RANK: 1 ARM LENGTH: 30 3/4"//HAND SIZE: 9"//40YD: 4.47 (89%)//10YD: 1.51 (97%) VJ: 33" (34%)//BJ: N/A (%)//BP: 16 (69%)//SS: 3.97 (99%)//3C: 7.00 (69%)

Context Plays both the post safety spot and split safety coverage.

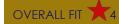
Coverage He has good speed and gets off his spot quickly, so his max range is quite impressive. He can make plays on the ball at the sideline from a split safety alignment and can make plays outside the numbers from the post Safety position. He is on the move remarkably quickly and reads the Quarterback at a very high level when playing in Zone. He reads the Quarterbacks eyes, understands route progressions, and clearly does his pre-game film study as he breaks on routes in front of him over the middle before the Quarterback has even started his throwing motion. This means he is exceptional at preventing intermediate targets over the middle of the field as he's a major threat to pick the ball off. Even on shorter routes, when he's playing between ten and fifteen yards off the line of scrimmage, he can trigger on a slant and make a play, usually a very hard hit on the receiver for about a five-yard gain. From deep, he also has excellent click and close on swing passes and bubble screens. There are rare occasions where he is a little too aggressive and leaves a teammate in a compromising position but this is very rare. In man coverage, he is a fluid mover and has good hip mobility. This means he can cover a lot of the route tree but when he plays catch man, he is liable to sit on the underneath routes, therefore playing a little flat-footed and can get blown past by a receiver with very good athletic ability themselves. He is also liable to turn the wrong way covering deeper routes with a break, giving up separation at the top of the route, taking the long road back to being in phase. He's more comfortable in Zone as the deep safety but you can bring him down to play man to man in a pinch. His ball skills are very good, he's able to get both hands on the ball when he's locked up downfield with a receiver, and he will high point the ball and pick it off on deep shots. He has good timing and accuracy when going for the PBU, when he's a little off on timing and accuracy he makes sure he misses high and rakes down on the football as the catch takes place. As an open field tackler he is very good. Takes good angles on the whole, except when running through traffic in the open field, when he can get stuck behind potential blockers by over-pursuing. He will come from high to low, he hits hard but with perfect form and uses the sideline when he needs to.

**Run Support** He takes excellent entry angles against the run, he is able to anticipate the path of potential blockers and make sure his angle helps him get underneath those blocks. He will take on bigger blockers like heavy Tight Ends with great technique, especially in hand usage and maintain gap discipline. He can also shed and tackle the ball. His open-field tackling prowess extends to tackling bigger Running Backs.

#### **PROJECTION & RAVENS FIT**

**Projection** Starting do-it-all Safety who will likely best fit playing the Post Safety role or as a split Safety in a more Zone heavy defense.

Ravens Fit Bullard's best fit in the league will be in the Marcus Williams role, but the Ravens can still consider him as he is versatile enough to play a role as the third safety in a split safety role to allow Kyle Hamilton to continue to operate in his best fit. As Williams gets more expensive against the cap, they can hope that Bullard can slide into that role in the future. The reason he will get strong consideration is his toughness and the force with which he hits while still being a secure tackler, his intelligence and processing speed, as well as his fit with the scheme. It'll be important that he's not asked to cover man-to-man too often.



Highly intelligent, off his spot quickly and enough athleticism to maintain a good range. Not explosive or twitchy, some deficiencies in Man. Outstanding open-field tackler, tough and aggressive

# **PRODUCTION**

SR: 1 Sack, 58 Total Tackles, 1 FF,

4 PBUs, 5 INTs

JR: 1 QB Hit, 52 Total Tackles, 1

FF, 4 PBUs, 4 INTs

INJURY: Missed 1 game with broken hand, post-season

meniscus surgery

# **RAVENS FIT**

ATHLETICISM \$\frac{1}{3}\$

INTELLIGENCE \$\frac{1}{5}\$

VERSATILITY \$\frac{1}{4}\$

GRIT \$\frac{1}{5}\$

SCHEME \$\frac{1}{5}\$

# TYLER NUBIN

# S MINNESOTA 6-1 205 SR

#27 PERFORMANCE GRADE: 4.50 POTENTIAL GRADE: 4.58 POSITIONAL RANK: 3 ARM LENGTH: 32"//HAND SIZE: 9"// 40YD: 4.59 (71%)//10YD: 1.65 (33%) VJ: 31 1/2" (25%)//BJ: 10'0" (65%)//BP: 10 (15%)//SS: 4.51 (19%)//3C: 7.20 (39%)

Context Plays split safety and single high, rarely in the box.

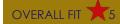
Coverage He has good range derived from his play speed, faster than his measurable speed due to the way he processes the game. This is especially true when he's able to sit back in a deep zone, periph the WRs and read the QB. He easily gets to vertical routes breaking down the sideline from a split safety position and can make plays outside the numbers for deep routes from the deep post, as long as the receiver doesn't have elite long speed and a free release. He will also get to post routes breaking in front of him. Where he can struggle is routes that break all the way across the field in front of him when the WR has attacked leverage successfully. In these situations he doesn't unlock his hips quickly enough and it takes a few clicks of motion for him to unstick himself. He's particularly good when the offense floods his Zone, he stays calm, reads the QB and takes away the most dangerous threat. Generally he's off his spot quickly and breaking on the ball when the QB starts his release. His processing also helps him in man as he's able to read even the most technical receivers and break with them on most types that call for a 2-step break. He also has enough play speed to cover deep routes. When he comes up against more elite athletes at the position, some of the technical deficiencies he has hurt him, his backpedal is high and he is off-balance which makes it easy to gain separation on comebacks and hitches against him. He's not the twitchiest or most explosive guy so relies almost entirely on his processing to get a jump on the ball either in Man or Zone. He has excellent click and close on screens or RBs leaking out of the backfield. His ball skills are impressive, he is a huge threat to take the ball away in the middle of the field using his excellent anticipation and ability to read the QB to jump routes, often by baiting the QB and lying in wait for the throw. Where he can't pick the ball off he can get his hands on the football with excellent timing and placement on the PBU, when in phase with the receiver. He's also great at stripping the ball out just after the catch has been made if he's not quite in position to prevent the catch in the first place. When covering receivers downfield, he needs to locate the ball in the air more consistently.

**Run Support** Inserts himself in the run game and can fly like an Exocet to the football. He can be overly aggressive with his run entry angles at times and can shoot the gap too quickly, only for backs with good lateral quickness and who press their keys to spring away from him and leave him trapped by an outside receiver block. This is normally against Gap runs where he doesn't diagnose the point of attack as well as he does when coming up to play Zone runs. He will throw himself at lead blockers, he's aggressive and competitive. He's an outstanding open-field tackler, he comes from high to low, breaks down and can go in either direction against even those with elite lateral quickness. He has excellent technique, he hits hard with his shoulder but wraps up too. He takes good angles and is physical enough to get all types of ball-carrier to the ground.

#### **PROJECTION & RAVENS FIT**

**Projection** Starting split safety, will work best in a 3-safety look where he has an elite Nickel defender to take away Man coverage responsibilities and an elite Post Safety to play deep.

Ravens Fit Read the projection, it sounds exactly like what the Ravens need; another Safety to help keep Marcus Williams and Kyle Hamilton in their best positions. Nubin processes the game at a high level which the Ravens like and has enough athleticism for what they usually look for at the position. He's a brilliant run defender, playing with aggression and toughness as well as being a ball-hawk, he feels like a perfect fit. The only question will be the cost to acquire him, the Ravens may feel they can fill this hole later in the Draft.



Outstanding run support takes elite angles to the ball. outstanding tackler. He has excellent ball skills and processing, but technical and athletic deficiencies hold him back

# **PRODUCTION**

JR: 1 Sack, 63 Total Tackles, 2 PBUs, 5 INTs SO: 57 Total Tackles, 1 FF, 4 PBUs, 6 INTs INJURY: Head/Neck Injury (Missed 4 weeks '23)

# **RAVENS FIT**

ATHLETICISM \$\frac{1}{2}\$

INTELLIGENCE \$\frac{1}{2}\$

VERSATILITY \$\frac{1}{4}\$

GRIT \$\frac{1}{2}\$

SCHEME \$\frac{1}{2}\$5

# KAMREN KINCHENS

**S** MIAMI **5-11 203** JR

#5 PERFORMANCE GRADE: 4.42 POTENTIAL GRADE: 4.58 POSITIONAL RANK: 4 ARM LENGTH: 31 1/4"//HAND SIZE: 9 3/4"// 40YD: 4.65 (38%)//10YD: 1.63 (35%) VJ: 35" (59%)//BJ: 9'2" (7%)//BP: 13 (41%)//SS: N/A (%)//3C: N/A (%)

Context Plays both split safety and post safety as well as lining up in the box on occasion.

Coverage His maximum range in coverage is a complex mix of two deficiencies and one excellent trait, with one of the deficiencies making more or less of an impact depending what routes he is facing. He is athletically limited, he isn't very twitched up and his first few steps after the top of his drop are adequate at best, his acceleration is not his best trait. He also has technical deficiencies in both his backpedal and his drive mechanics. Backpedal is too high and a little cumbersome, meaning he has to sink his weight as part of his transition. He will also run around the transition at the top of his drop, taking far too many steps to transition into forward motion. This deficiency is worse when covering routes towards the sideline, but far less noticeable when breaking on balls thrown over the middle of the field. Helpfully for his range and play speed, he's a high processor at the position and gets off his spot quickly. All of this means that from the post safety position, he is only able to make plays on routes on the sideline at or just outside the numbers, whereas he's a threat to pick the ball off on balls thrown over the middle into intermediate areas of the field because his drive mechanics are better when he is moving more linearly. Adept at reading the QB, most often breaking on the ball at the beginning of the QB's release. In man coverage, he still has the deficiency in drive mechanics, as well as his footwork looking messy, that ends up hurting him in breaking on the football in a timely manner. But, he also maintains his processing chops and will read receivers' hips giving him a jump on routes and getting him close enough to inphase to have a chance of making a play on the ball when it is thrown. While he is also better at covering routes thrown over the middle of the field in man, the exception to the rule here is post routes. When he faces a savvy receiver who can set him up, he is liable to sit on the possibility of an intermediate route at the expense of being deeper than the deepest. It means he can get beaten badly on post routes run well that freeze him near the break-point. His ball skills are excellent, will pick the ball off over the middle, over ten INTs the last two years tells you all you need to know. He's also a ball hawk and goes for the ball when running into receivers who have caught the ball and can dislodge it. He has good timing and accuracy on his pass break-up attempts. He also turns and locates the ball when covering downfield, able to contort his body to high-point the football, he has good timing to his leaps. He has a quick trigger on WR screens and Running Backs leaking out of the backfield. He is an elite open field tackler, coming from high to low and rarely if ever beaten vs all competition.

**Run Support** Aggressive, tough and competitive in the running game. He makes hard hits on bigger ball carriers and will meet Running Backs hard in the hole. He will also take on bigger OL blockers and while he won't routinely get off the block and tackle the ball, he can affect the runner. He takes outstanding run entry angles and is very rarely wrong with the angle he takes to the ball. He accelerates into tackles, makes form hits with his shoulder and wraps up.

#### **PROJECTION & RAVENS FIT**

**Projection** Starting safety in a split safety role, where he is asked to play forwards more, and most often in run support. Think he could play more of a role in the box than he played in college too, where he was asked to play quite deep.

**Ravens Fit** The Ravens are masters of finding the right role for DBs; I think there is a way that you could weaponize Kinchens in the Ravens defense, especially as a missile against the run. Unfortunately, the role open to him in the Ravens unit would be as the Geno Stone replacement and I think the work needed on his drive mechanics would be a disqualifier for that role early on. The Ravens may bring him in to develop him and use him sparingly in his first season, the intelligence, toughness, and the angles he takes to the ball, will all be alluring.



Excellent in coverage, use in Man when needed. Versatile and intelligent, has good run entry angles and plays the run with aggression. Must improve take-on with hands and open-field tackling

### **PRODUCTION**

JR: 3 Sacks, 2 QB Hits, 81 Total Tackles, 1 FF, 4 PBUs, 2 INTs SO: 1 Sack, 3 QB Hits, 78 Total Tackles, 4 PBUs, 1 INT

INJURY: None

# **RAVENS FIT**

ATHLETICISM 

INTELLIGENCE 

VERSATILITY 

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GRIT 

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SCHEME 

5

# JADEN HICKS

# \$ WASHINGTON STATE 6-2 211 RS SO

#25 PERFORMANCE GRADE: 4.50 POTENTIAL GRADE: 4.67 POSITIONAL RANK: 2 ARM LENGTH: 31 1/2"//HAND SIZE: 9 3/8"// 40YD: 4.50 (84%)//10YD: 1.58 (71%) VJ: 37 1/2" (85%)//BJ: 10'2" (68%)//BP: 16 (69%)//SS: 4.37 (38%)//3C: 6.88 (84%)

**Context** Plays the majority of his time in the box but also some as a Split Safety and some in the slot. Split his time more evenly between the box and the back end his Freshman year.

Coverage He has plenty of athleticism and is a good processor of the game and these add up to a good range that allows him to make plays on the sideline from a split safety alianment. He's not packing the kind of speed and instincts to make plays on the sideline from single high but that's not his game. He is excellent in Zone coverage, he reads the Quarterback well and gets off his spot quickly, often at the beginning of the throwing motion. His drive mechanics are good and he's able to use the explosive ability he has to close on the football from his spot. This is true on swing passes and bubble screens but also true on other crossing routes, slants and RB option routes that break in front of him. He has good mechanics when breaking to the sideline at 90 degrees in Zone. He has a smooth backpedal and most of his transitions are excellent, it means he can easily stay in phase against even the most athletic Tight Ends and you can bring him down to play man coverage on a receiver in certain circumstances. If he's playing man coverage on a receiver running a vertical cut he will need help over the top as he isn't as proficient at opening his hips on post and corner routes. But on underneath routes in Man he does a good job of reading the WR and breaking with them as they reach the top of their route. This is when his excellent ball skills can come into play, he has great timing and accuracy with his hands to break up the ball when a receiver is breaking to the sideline. He also gets his head around and tracks the ball downfield remarkably well, he's really good in contested catch situations because of his vertical leap and the timing of his hands for the break-up or the interception. He is a useful weapon when disguising coverage as he's adept at keeping his intentions hidden from the Quarterback. He's also proficient at recognizing screens and getting underneath the convoy to make a tackle on the receiver before damage is done.

**Run Support** Spent most of his time in the box and has honed his run defense over time. He is competitive, tough and aggressive and inserts himself against the run. He has good entry angles and closing speed to get to the ball carrier. You can see him trigger quickly on inside runs and fire downhill making tackles close to or behind the line of scrimmage. He has shown some ability to use his hands when taking on blocks and he stays much cleaner when he does, but its inconsistent to the point of being rare. What more normally happens is that he takes on blocks with his body and impact, while that works against smaller blockers, he can get stuck on Offensive Linemen, especially when they're climbing to the second level from a combo block. He's inconsistent as an open-field tackler, he often leaves his feet unnecessarily and it can mean he slides of slippery runners in the open field. He can also take bad angles in assessing the athletic ability of open-field runners. He uses the sideline well when tackling and does hit hard but he too often gives runners a lane.

#### **PROJECTION & RAVENS FIT**

**Projection** Starting, scheme diverse split Safety that you can win with.

Ravens Fit The Ravens need a third Safety to allow Kyle Hamilton and Marcus Williams to play their best roles. Hicks would be a perfect scheme fit for the Ravens and can play the role they need him to play as his best fit at the next level. Firstly, he excels in disguise, and will be a good addition if the Ravens continue to hide their intentions in coverage as they have done under Macdonald. He looks comfortable in man and he will be a competent extra defender against the run. He did a lot for the Cougars defense but they played him in the box frequently and I think his best role is as a split Safety in the way the Ravens would deploy him. Needs to improve his open-field tackling though.



Explosion, speed and processing keep him in phase on most routes.
Outstanding footwork in press. Not the greatest play strength. Physical and competitive vs run

### **PRODUCTION**

JR: 1 Sack, 1 QB Hit, 33 Total Tackles, 3 PBUs, 3 INTs SO: 31 Total Tackles, 6 PBUs, 2 INTs

INJURY: Played through broken hand - start JR year

# **RAVENS FIT**

ATHLETICISM \$\frac{1}{2}5\$

INTELLIGENCE \$\frac{1}{2}5\$

VERSATILITY \$\frac{1}{2}5\$

GRIT \$\frac{1}{2}5\$

SCHEME \$\frac{1}{2}5\$

# MAX MELTON

# **CB** RUTGERS **5-11 187** JR

#16 PERFORMANCE GRADE: 4.83 POTENTIAL GRADE: 4.92 POSITIONAL RANK: 4 ARM LENGTH: 32 1/8"//HAND SIZE: 9 1/8"// 40YD: 4.39 (94%)//10YD: 1.55 (80%) VJ: 40 1/2" (97%)//BJ: 11'4" (100%)//BP: N/A (%)//SS: 4.29 (49%)//3C: 6.95 (69%)

Context Plays mostly as the outside CB but they've also used him in the slot a fair amount.

Coverage His footwork in press coverage is elite, he can disrupt at the line of scrimmage through leverage but his main strength is matching angles with even the most elite competition in college and staying in phase through the early portion of the route. He does this through outstanding foot speed and hip mobility. Everything he does on the field is explosive, he's able to match even the most explosive offensive weapons. He has ridiculous reactive athleticism which helps him to deal with all types of moves at the line of scrimmage. He has physicality and aggression but lacks play strength, so when he does try to jam at the line he can whiff through lack of technique or be put in trail quickly on crossers, pivot and out routes. It's in this situation only that he gives up a yard of separation and doesn't prevent the QB from targeting his man. He does however close distance at the catch-point and makes good tackles to prevent any YAC. He makes all transitions with excellent mechanics, fluid hips, explosion and an economy of movement that makes it very hard for receivers to separate from him at the top of their routes. On go routes, he easily has the speed to carry even elite athletes downfield and prevent a target when locked up in man coverage. On deep routes that call for a bam step like posts and corners, he will read the receiver and understand what he's trying to do, it's tough to manipulate his hips to get him going the wrong way, he can then deploy his excellent transition mechanics and explosion to match the receiver stride for stride. He has outstanding reactive athleticism and reacts quickly to 90 degree 2 step breaks for dig routes or deep outs. He drives on the ball with efficiency and explosion and can stay in phase on 180 degree hard angle routes like hitches and deep comebacks. He doesn't have ideal play strength but when he comes up against bigger, physical receivers with good play strength, he competes with aggression and physicality and he doesn't often give up separation at the break point due to this. He has good awareness in Zone and can read the Quarterback, route progressions and periph Wide Receivers to make plays on the ball. He has an incredible leap and can high point the ball to pick it off in Man, but also his processing and explosion allows him to jump routes when in Zone and pick the ball off against QBs who don't have good eye discipline. He has good ball skills otherwise to break passes up but he is inconsistent in turning to locate the football when he's locked up in Man coverage downfield, in phase, even when the receiver turns to track the ball early.

**Run Support** Aggressive and willing in run support, inserts himself where he isn't wanted and makes plays on bigger ball carriers. He will play as a force player but can also shed the block and make a tackle inside. He takes on blocks from FBs and TEs. Highly competitive and takes pride in his run defense. He can over-pursue and take bad angles but on the whole is open field tackling is very good, coming from high to low, keeping a good base before exploding to the receiver/ball carrier, hitting hard with his shoulder and wrapping up.

#### **PROJECTION & RAVENS FIT**

**Projection** Starting outside CB who will fit best in a multiple defense, excels in Zone and Man coverage and plays the run hard.

Ravens Fit If I was a scout in the Ravens war room and had one red star (guy who plays like a Raven) to put on a prospect, it would go firmly on Melton. The best way to describe this is the play that you should show people when you want to describe competitiveness. Against Ohio State he runs with Marvin Harrison downfield, close to the sideline in sticky coverage, but the play goes up the opposite sideline and the RB looks like he's breaking it for a TD. But not on Melton's watch, who sprints the entire width of the field and makes a TD saving tackle. He just looks like a Raven, but he's also a really good too.



Long, tall, athletic CB with only one year of starting experience but with good reason. Very good in man coverage, needs to work on skills at the catch-point, tackling, run defense

# **PRODUCTION**

SR: 2 Sacks, 33 Total Tackles, 8 PBUs, 3 INTs

INJURY: Dislocated shoulder and torn labrum at end of SR season

# **RAVENS FIT**

ATHLETICISM \$\frac{1}{4}\$

INTELLIGENCE \$\frac{1}{3}\$

VERSATILITY \$\frac{1}{3}\$

GRIT \$\frac{1}{3}\$

SCHEME \$\frac{1}{3}\$

# KHYREE JACKSON

**CB** OREGON **6-3 194** SR

#5 PERFORMANCE GRADE: 4.08 POTENTIAL GRADE: 4.25 POSITIONAL RANK: 10 ARM LENGTH: 32 3/4"//HAND SIZE: 9 1/4"// 40YD: 4.50 (71%)//10YD: 1.60 (47%) VJ: 36 1/2" (72%)//BJ: 11'1" (98%)//BP: 11 (37%)//SS: N/A (%)//3C: N/A (%)

**Context** Juco transfer to Alabama, back-up CB for two years, transferred to Oregon for Senior year. 1 year starter, plays the vast majority of his time at outside CB.

Coverage He's excels in any kind of press coverage. He is able to deploy his long levers to make the WR release around him as well as being able to flip hips quickly and stay in phase through the early portion of the route. He is calm and patient in press, he doesn't over-react to WRs' moves off the line generally, he has good foot speed and reactive athleticism when they do make a move. He's also patient with his hands when pressing with a jam and again can use his length to keep the WR at bay. Big WRs who match his length and have good technique can clear their hands initially but he'll fight and can re-engage quickly to continue to disrupt the timing of the route. He has excellent footwork to match angles with even elite competition when he's in soft press. A more emphasized, wider pressure step at the line of scrimmage can get his hips turned when the competition is very good vertically, it normally means he's giving up a step of separation for the rest of the route if the WR is a good athlete. He is an explosive athlete with fluid hips and good mechanics so he competes in man coverage on most type of routes. He can flip his hips easily and turn and run with go routes with relative ease against most competition. Those with elite acceleration can agin separation in the 10-20 yards section of the route but he does have good recovery speed to get back into the rep. His processing in terms of reading receivers and his hip mobility allow him to stay in phase on deep crossers and posts. He reacts well to hitches and comebacks, he's able to drop his weight and has good drive mechanics to stay close at the top of the route. Where he will struggle is against those receivers with a consistent stem, the know-how to attack leverage and are not fearful of stemming right into him, they can gain separation at the top of routes. But it is the most technically gifted receivers that really challenge him. He processes well in Zone coverage and understands route progressions. The blind spot for his processing exists in Banjo coverage when reacting to stack formations, he can be confused by it and it will leave him flat-footed. His ball skills are good, he has good timing to break up the pass but not consistent accuracy. Strangely for a guy his size and with his length, he can be boxed out by savvy receivers with good body control. This is a variation on a theme for him though that while his size and length help him in many areas of his game, he has not yet developed his play strength to enable him to win consistently in different phases of the route against receivers who have very good play strength.

**Run Support** He will insert himself against the run with aggression and physicality. He can explode towards the ball carrier and can make plays because of this. He is lacking in technique though in several areas. He doesn't take on blocks with his hands, he triggers well on bubble screens but can take bad angles and over-pursue, this can also be true in the open field. His tackling is too often with a shoulder thrown in rather than with solid technique.

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**Projection** Likely a starting outside CB in the league given his physical gifts. Should play outside in a heavier Man scheme but is solid in Zone too.

Ravens Fit Jackson is likely on the Ravens radar given their recent history in looking for more upside at the CB position in the Draft and their need for more depth at the position. He is a one-year starter because of being a JUCO transfer and stuck behind outstanding CBs at Alabama. He has shown that he has potential in this year of starting, he is long and has plenty of athleticism. He was very good in Man coverage and solid enough in Zone to fit fine with the Ravens schematically. The challenge is that he's not a great tackler and has some technical deficiencies in playing the run that might disqualify him.

