

Chargers OL Jordan McFadden Draft Availability

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On his reaction to receiving the call and being selected by the Chargers:

"I was super excited. I was sitting there and watching, then, all of a sudden, my phone rings. I was super excited. My family, my mother, she was right beside me, so she was super happy for me, as well. Just a very exciting moment for myself and my family."

On if he has been watching the Draft since Thursday:

"Yeah, I was watching pretty closely for some teammates and other friends that I have who I knew were going in those first or second [rounds], the early rounds. I was keeping track of it to keep track of those guys. I've been watching it the whole weekend."

On if he had any 'inclination' that the Chargers would select him:

"It's kind of funny because [Clemson Head] Coach [Dabo] Sweeney, he came up to me a couple of days ago and he was like, 'I think you're going to the Chargers.' I didn't pay him any mind to it or anything. I was just laughing. To get that call and realize that he was kind of right, that just super exciting and really funny to me."

On if Sweeney 'had any intel' or was 'just guessing':

"I think that he might have had a little bit of intel [*laughter*]. In the Draft, you never know what is going to happen, so I just brushed it off, I guess. But, he was right. It was pretty funny."

On his pre-Draft communication with the Chargers:

"I had a Zoom meeting. I talked to them over Zoom. That was pretty much it."

On the potential of 'moving inside' along the offensive front:

"I would say that I've heard a lot of moving inside. I've definitely heard some tackle talk, for sure. But, I would say that the majority of it was moving inside."

On his mentality with the potential of that transition:

"I'm excited. My biggest thing is trying to get on the field and help the team win the best way that I can. Whichever way I can do that, I'm excited."

On his prior knowledge about the Chargers:

"It really kind of funny, I used to play with the Chargers a lot on Madden; [WR] Mike Williams, [QB] Justin Herbert, all of those guys. Definitely a little familiar with them, but I definitely going to have to invest some time and study and learn a little bit more."

On if he knows anyone currently on the Chargers' roster:

"Not really. I'll be around a lot of new faces, new people. Excited for a new journey."

On if he knows former Clemson WR and new Chargers teammate Mike Williams:

"I have not met him. Obviously, I've heard of him and watched him a ton, when I was being recruited to Clemson and things like that. Very familiar with him as a player. Super excited to meet him and get to know him, for sure."

On if he has ever been to Los Angeles before:

"One of my friends had a wedding out there, so I went out there just for a couple of days. But, really, I haven't spent much time out there, honestly."

On moving to Los Angeles:

"I'm super excited just to be in a new place, a new journey. My mom, she was like, 'You are going to be far.' I know that she'll be a little sad when it's time for me to go, but I'm excited."