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Raiders Sign S Jordan Richards

ALAMEDA, Calif. – The Oakland Raiders have signed unrestricted free agent S Jordan Richards, the club announced Friday.

Richards, a 5-foot-11, 210-pound safety, enters his fifth year in the NFL after spending the 2018 season with the Atlanta Falcons. Before being traded ahead of the 2018 campaign, Richards spent his first three seasons (2015-17) with the New England Patriots after being selected in the second round (64th overall) of the 2015 NFL Draft. Over his first four seasons, Richards has appeared in 59 contests and made 19 starts, compiling 77 tackles (60 solo), six passes defended and two forced fumbles. In five postseason appearances, he has recorded five stops (three) as a rotational player on defense.

In his lone season with the Falcons, Richards appeared in 15 contests and made a career-high 12 starts. Richards also set career highs in tackles and passes defended, tallying 37 and three, respectively.

From 2015-17, Richards played in 41 contests for the Patriots and made seven starts. In 2017, he recorded 22 stops during the regular season and appeared in all three postseason contests, while tallying four stops in the club's Super Bowl LII appearance.

A native of Sacramento, Calif., Richards played in 54 games and made 44 starts over his four years (2011-14) at Stanford, compiling 247 tackles, one sack, nine interceptions including one returned for a score, 24 passes defended and five forced fumbles. As a senior in 2014, Richards was named a team captain and earned All-Pac-12 First Team honors after posting 79 stops, three interceptions and five passes defended.

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