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MEMORABLE GAME

Nov 14, 2022: Washington 32, Philadelphia 21

Washington went to Lincoln Financial Field as the lopsided underdog on Monday Night Football against the undefeated Philadelphia Eagles with hopes of getting back on track after a loss to the Minnesota Vikings a week before. But thanks to four turnovers from the Eagles' offense, plus a committed ground attack from the Commanders that included 49 rushing attempts, the Commanders were able to set the tone in the second half. At the end of regulation, Casey Toohill recovered a fumble for a touchdown to make the final score 32-21 in a stunning upset.

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JOSH HARRIS

1ST NFL SEASON / 1ST WITH WASHINGTON

Josh is the Managing Partner of the Washington Commanders and the Founder and Managing General Partner of Harris Blitzer Sports & Entertainment (HBSE).

In connection with the HBSE portfolio, he is the Managing Partner of the Philadelphia 76ers and the Co-Managing Partner, Vice Chairman, & Alternate Governor of the New Jersey Devils. Under his leadership, the HBSE platform has grown to include Top-10 venue, the Prudential Center in Newark, N.J., the \$82 million mixed-use Training Complex in Camden, NJ, the Delaware Blue Coats, the Utica Comets, renowned esports franchise Dignitas, and HBSEv, a venture fund investing in early stage sports technology companies, among other franchises. Additionally, Josh is a General Partner of the Crystal Palace Football Club in the Premier League.

Passionate about strengthening the communities in which the teams operate, Josh, in connection with the Sixers Youth Foundation and Devils Youth Foundation, supports Newark, Camden and Philadelphia by partnering with local hospitals, youth centers, schools and food distribution centers for civic growth and relief. Outside of HBSE, in 2022, Josh founded 26North, a next-generation alternatives platform. Prior to founding 26North, Josh co-founded Apollo Global Management and spent over thirty years building the firm into the world's second-largest alternatives and largest alternative credit manager. Harris was responsible for some of the firm's most successful private equity investments, including the historic Lyondell Basell transaction.

Additionally, Josh and his wife, Marjorie, founded Harris Philanthropies in 2014 to advocate for youth and community development. Across their charitable platform, they have become one of the largest supporters of after-school sports programs, helping 15,000 youth annually across the country.

The Harris family is committed to using a blend of philanthropic giving and impact investment to improve outcomes for underserved groups in areas where they have a deep connection, with a focus on sports and academic programming, championing equity and sustainable wealth creation in Black and other diverse communities and enhancing health, wellness and educational outcomes.

Josh serves on the Boards of Mount Sinai Medical Center, Harvard Business School, the Wharton School at the University of Pennsylvania, the NBA, and the NHL. He holds an MBA from Harvard Business School, where he was named a Baker Loeb Scholar, and graduated summa cum laude from the University of Pennsylvania's Wharton School of Business with a B.S. in Economics.

Josh and Marjorie have been married for 25 years and live in Miami with their five children. A former college wrestler, Josh remains an active athlete, competing in numerous marathons and triathlons.



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JASON WRIGHT

11TH NFL SEASON (7 PLAYING/4 EXECUTIVE) / 4TH WITH WASHINGTON

As President of the Washington Commanders, Jason Wright is responsible for leading the organization's business divisions, including operations, finance, sales, and marketing. In addition to leading a historic transformation of a sports franchise, he is the first Black team president in the history of the NFL and currently is the youngest team president in the League. He is the fourth former NFL player to become president of a team.

Prior to joining the Washington Commanders, Jason was a partner in McKinsey & Company's Washington DC office. His work focused on expanding the value of large, complex organizations through operations and culture transformations. Jason specialized in steering companies through their toughest moments - in crisis and turnaround scenarios. From systemic personnel misconduct to financial distress to COVID-19 response, Jason's tenure at McKinsey supported a range of multi-national, corporation-specific challenges, while also leading the company's global inclusion and anti-racism strategies.

His deep passion for intentional change that profoundly expands opportunities for historically marginalized populations resulted in his work co-founding McKinsey's Black Economic Institute. A research entity that analyzes the racial wealth gap, the Institute today serves as a prominent voice in public discussions regarding racial equity in corporate America. This advocacy, combined with his data and results-oriented approaches, have been sought out by leading organizations, such as The Greater Washington Partnership, where Jason helps lead its Inclusive Growth Strategy Council as co-chair. The Inclusive Growth



Strategy Council is a regional collaborative that dissects and identifies a blueprint for the region to address long-standing gaps in income, services, employment, and access to capital for lower-income populations.

Jason's commitment to faith, family, and community is marked by his service on the Board of Trustees at Union Theological Seminary, where he is helping the institution better equip a changing student body focused on community organizing and social entrepreneur- ship. His leadership, passion for community change, and business acumen have been noted nationally and regionally, with Jason being awarded as a "Top 40 under 40" by Black Enterprise magazine, Sports Business Journal's "Best Hire of 2020," and standing as a member of The Economic Club of Washington D.C., where he serves alongside DC-based executives supporting a range of initiatives in the DMV.

Jason spent seven years as a running back in the NFL and was team captain and NFLPA player representative for the Arizona Cardinals during the 2011 NFL lockout. He has a B.A. in psychology from Northwestern University, where he was an Academic All-American student athlete, a two-time All-Big Ten football selection, and the president of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity and the Fellowship of Christian Athletes. He received his M.B.A. in Operations and Finance with honors, from the University of Chicago-Booth School of Business.



RON RIVERA

HEAD COACH

36TH NFL SEASON (25 COACHING/11 PLAYING) / 4TH WITH WASHINGTON

He was named the 30th head coach in franchise history on Jan. 1, 2020 and led Washington to their first division title since 2015. During the 2020 season Rivera was diagnosed with Squamous Cell Carcinoma (SCC) located in a lymph node and detected from a self-care check. Rivera continued to coach through his treatments and on January 28, 2021, he was declared cancer free. Rivera was selected as the NFC Coach of the Year by the Committee of 101 following the 2020 season.

Through three seasons in Washington, Rivera has accumulated 22 wins and one playoff appearance. His teams have also gone 8-3 in the month of November and oversaw a defense that finished third in the NFL in yards per game and fourth in the NFL in passing yards per game.



Rivera eclipsed 100 total career wins (regular and postseason) with a victory against the Atlanta Falcons in Week 12 of the 2022 season. He eclipsed 100 regular season wins in Week 2 of the 2023 season against the Denver Broncos, becoming the eighth active head coach and the 44th coach in NFL history to accomplish the feat.

A friend of legendary head coach Joe Gibbs, Rivera is a passionate and skilled leader who has earned the respect of his players, coaching staff and the community. He most recently served as the head coach of the Carolina Panthers for nine seasons, where he led the team to three straight divisional titles and an appearance in Super Bowl 50. Rivera was also recognized twice as the NFL Coach of the Year by the Associated Press in 2013 and in 2015 and is the all-time leader in wins for the Panthers franchise.

Rivera inherited a 2-14 Carolina Panthers team as a rookie head coach in 2011 and guided it back to an NFC force with four playoffs ap- pearances since 2013, tied for the second-most playoff berths in the NFC over that six-year period. In that span, the Panthers recorded 58 wins, tied for the most in any six-year period in their franchise history and fifthmost in the NFL.

Hired by the Panthers for his defensive expertise, Rivera did not disappoint as the Panthers put together five top-10 finishes in total defense in seven seasons from 2012-18. Like Rivera, the Panthers' rebound has been steady and solid, starting with six wins in his first season in 2011 and seven victories in 2012 before registering three

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consecutive division championships starting in 2013 when he earned his first Associated Press NFL Coach of the Year award. Laying a foundation that included back-to-back Rookie of the Year award winners in quarterback Cam Newton and linebacker Luke Kuechly, Rivera blended veteran and young talent into productive units on both sides of the ball.

Rivera helped lead a Panthers team that finished among the league's top-10 rushing offenses, including top-five finishes in 2011, 2015, 2017 and 2018. The Panthers recorded 30 consecutive regular season games with at least 100 rushing yards from Week 6 of 2014 to Week 3 of 2016, the longest streak in the NFL since Pittsburgh tallied 43 from 1974-77.

Carolina's run defense ranked in the top 10 of the NFL in 2013, 2015, 2016 and 2017. Starting in Week 14 of 2016 through Week 1 of 2018, the Panthers went 21 consecutive games without allowing a 100-yard individual rusher, setting a franchise record.

In 2018, Rivera coached two players to All-Pro selections. Panthers running back Christian McCaffrey earned AP All-Pro second-team honors as he helped the Panthers lead the NFL in rushing yards per carry (5.1). McCaffrey also recorded 107 receptions, the most by any running back in a season in NFL history and broke Steve Smith's franchise record for single-season receptions by any player. He ran for 1,098 rushing yards, becoming the third player in NFL history with over 100 receptions and 1,000 rushing yards in the same season. McCaffrey accumulated a franchiserecord 1,965 scrimmage yards, ranking third in the NFL.

Linebacker Luke Kuechly earned his sixth-straight Pro Bowl selection and fifth AP All-Pro first-team honor, tied for the most among active players. Kuechly tied for third in the NFL with 20 tackles for loss. In 2017, the rushing attack helped propel the team to an 11-5 record and a Wild Card berth by averaging 131.4 yards on the ground, good for fourth in the league.

In 2015, Rivera was named NFL Coach of the Year for the second time in three seasons as his team earned its third consecutive NFC South title and claimed the top seed in the NFC for the first time in Panthers franchise history. The Panthers became just the seventh team in the Super Bowl era to post a 15-1 or better record in the regular season. Carolina started 2015 with 14 consecutive victories, which, combined with four wins to close the 2014 regular season, gave the Panthers an NFC-record 18-game winning streak. Carolina won its second NFC Championship in franchise history, third consecutive NFC South division title and appeared in Super Bowl 50. Carolina finished the season with a franchise-best 17-2 record, including home playoff victories over Seattle in the divisional round and Arizona in the NFC Championship game.

Rivera's Panthers went 12-4 and won the NFC South in 2013, Carolina's first division title since 2008. The Panthers then recovered from a 3-8-1 start in 2014 to win four in a row and capture a second consecutive NFC South crown. Prior to Rivera's arrival, Carolina had never reached the postseason in consecutive years, and no team had captured the NFC South twice in a row.

Rivera arrived in Carolina with a reputation for hard work, attention to detail and preparation. Those were also the qualities he exhibited in his first campaign as the Panthers tripled their win total from the previous season. Rivera did not even meet his team until they reported to training camp and, despite a slow start, held it together to finish with four wins in the final six games.

Rivera has shined as a coach and player during his 30-plus years in the NFL, serving as defensive coordinator for the San Diego Chargers' top-ranked defense in 2010 and playing



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linebacker for the Chicago Bears' top-ranked defense and Super Bowl XX championship team in 1985. In 23 seasons as a coach and nine as a player, he has been with teams that have reached the playoffs 19 times, including nine conference championships and three Super Bowls. The mentality of the Chargers defense that Rivera coached and the Bears defense on which he played has stuck with the head coach, and he has transferred it to his teams.

Rivera's character has been influenced by two innovative defensive coordinators. As a player, Rivera was coached by the late Buddy Ryan, the architect of the "46 Defense," which involved blitzing on nearly every down. As a coach, Rivera toiled under the late Jim Johnson, a highly regarded defensive coordinator renowned for his aggressive approach.

Rivera's identity also has been shaped by his family. The son of a U.S. Army officer and the second youngest of four boys, Rivera learned from a young age about chain of command and many of the principles he teaches and expects from his players. "I come from a military family where discipline isn't taught, it's lived. It's expected from day one. I have a philosophy that every player, every coach, everyone who works for this organization, they'll know it day one," Rivera said in his introductory press conference with Washington on Jan. 2.

Rivera worked with the Chargers from 2007-10. He coached inside linebackers before taking over as the team's defensive coordinator midway through the 2008 season. Under Rivera's guidance, the pass defense steadied itself -intercepting nine passes and yielding 229.6 passing yards per game and 11 touchdown passes over the final eight games. Those numbers contrasted to the first half of the season when San Diego notched just seven picks and was victimized for 265.1 yards per game and 14 touchdowns through the air. In Rivera's first full season leading the defense in 2009, the Chargers ranked 16th in total defense and 11th against the pass. Those rank- ings improved in 2010 as San Diego led the NFL with an average of 271.6 total yards allowed per game and gave up a league-low 177.8 passing yards per game. From 2004-06. Rivera oversaw the Chicago Bears defense, engineering the unit to two top-five finishes in the league. Under Rivera's direction, five different defensive players went to the Pro Bowl: linebacker Lance Briggs, safety Mike Brown, defensive tackle Tommie Harris, linebacker Brian Urlacher and cornerback Nathan Vasher.

In his first season as a defensive coordinator in 2004, Rivera presided over a defense that produced nine more takeaways and 17 more sacks than the previous year and scored a franchiserecord and NFC-high six defensive touchdowns. The Bears also thrived on third down and buckled down inside their own 20-yard line, ranking first in the NFL in third-down efficiency (30.5 percent) and topping the NFC in red zone defense (42.6 percent). The following year, Chicago continued to build on the foundation Rivera laid in 2004. The Bears won their first of two consecutive NFC North titles and stood second in the NFL in total defense. In surrendering the fewest points in the league, Rivera's defense went 43 consecutive quarters without allowing more than seven points - the longest streak in the NFL since 1969. During Rivera's last season with the Bears in 2006, the defense paced the NFL with 44 takeaways and finished fifth in the league in total defense and third in scoring defense, helping propel Chicago

to the NFC Championship and an appearance in Super Bowl XLI.

Prior to becoming a defensive coordinator, Rivera spent five seasons from 1999-2003 as the linebackers coach for the Philadelphia Eagles, who advanced to the NFC Championship game in each of his final three seasons. Twice during Rivera's tenure with the Eagles, the team finished second in the NFL in scoring defense and in 2001 held all 16 of its opponents to fewer than 21 points – making them just the fourth team in NFL history to do so.

Rivera gained his first coaching experience with the Bears as a defensive quality control coach from 1997-98. He is just the third Latino head coach in NFL history, joining Tom Flores with the Oakland Raiders from 1979-87 and Seattle Seahawks from 1992-94 and Tom Fears with the New Orleans Saints from 1967-70.

Following retirement from his playing career, Rivera went into broadcasting. He covered the Bears and college football as a television analyst for WGN and SportsChannel Chicago for four years from 1993-96.

Selected in the second round of the 1984 NFL Draft by Chicago, Rivera played all nine of his pro seasons with the Bears. Primarily an outside linebacker, he appeared in 149 games with 62 starts (including 12 postseason contests with six starts) and posted 392 tackles, 8.5 sacks, five forced fumbles, six fumble recoveries, nine interceptions and 15 passes defensed. Rivera was a member of six NFC Central division title teams and a Super Bowl XX championship team in 1985.

As a player, Rivera was known for both his skill and determination on the field and his dedication of time and energy to the community. As a result, he was named the Bears' Man of the Year in 1988 and earned the club's Ed Block Courage Award in 1989. He has carried that same community commitment to coaching, sponsoring a bowling tournament to benefit the Ronald McDonald House, USO and Humane Society. He was a finalist for the 2017 Salute to Service Award, an annual award presented to NFL players, coaches, personnel and alumni who demonstrate an exemplary commitment to honoring and supporting the military community.

Rivera, who lost his brother Mickey to pancreatic cancer in 2015, also serves as a spokesman for the Pancreatic Cancer Action Network. He has twice been the honorary starter for the organization's PurpleStride 5K in Charlotte.

An All-American at the University of California, Rivera finished his career as the school's all-time leader in sacks with 22 and tackles with 336. As a senior in 1983, he set the Bears' single-season record for sacks with 13 and tackles for loss with 26.5.

Born Jan. 7, 1962, in Fort Ord, Calif., Rivera lived in Germany, Panama, Washington and Maryland before his family settled in Marina, Calif. He attended Seaside High School in Seaside, Calif., and was a three-sport star in football, basketball and baseball. Rivera and his wife, Stephanie, have two children, Christopher and Courtney. Stephanie is a former assistant coach for the WNBA's Washington Mystics.

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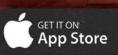
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ERIC BIENIENY ASSISTANT HEAD COACH/OFFENSIVE COORDINATOR 25TH NFL SEASON (24 COACHING/11 PLAYING) / 1ST WITH WASHINGTON

Eric Bieniemy was hired as the team's assistant head coach/offensive coordinator on February 18, 2023.

Bieniemy enters his 25th NFL season and first with Washington after serving as the Kansas City Chiefs offensive coordinator the past five seasons. Prior to being named the offensive coordinator, Bieniemy served as the Chiefs running backs coach from 2013-17.

In 2022, Bieniemy helped lead the Chiefs and their offense to their second Super Bowl championship in four seasons and helped quarterback Patrick Mahomes earn his second MVP in five seasons. The Chiefs led the NFL in total yards per game (413.6), passing yards (5,062), scrimmage touchdowns (59) and total points per game (29.2).

In 2021, Bieniemy continued to lead the Kansas City Chiefs offense to finish in the top five in multiple NFL categories including, third down conversion percentage (1st, 52.2), fourth down conversion percentage (T-1st, 66.7), first downs (1st, 419), yards per game (3rd, 396.8), yards after catch (1st; 2,494), offensive touchdowns (5th, 53) and points per game (4th, 28.2) en route to the team's sixth-straight AFC West title. Quarterback Patrick Mahomes continued to add to his NFL resume, adding 4,839 passing yards on 436 completions and 37 touchdowns. Mahomes has 31 career games with 300+ passing yards, which is the most such games by a player in his first five seasons in NFL history.

In 2020, the Chiefs offense led the NFL in multiple categories including, net passing yards per game (303.4), yards per game (415.8), first downs (397), yards after catch (2,254) and plays of at least 20 yards (79) en route to the club's fifth-straight AFC West title and second-straight Super Bowl appearance.

In 2019, the Super Bowl Champion Chiefs offense finished in the top 10 in total yards per game

(379.2), pass yards per game (281.1), yards per play (6.22) and total points scored (28.2). Mahomes became the fastest QB in NFL history to reach 9,000 passing yards and 75 touchdowns, doing so in only 30 games.

In his first year as offensive coordinator, Bieniemy oversaw one of the most prolific offenses in Chiefs history as the club finished 12-4, earned its third-consecutive AFC West Championship and a No. 1 seed in the playoffs en route to hosting the first AFC Championship Game in team history. Mahomes was named the NFL MVP as he passed for 5,097 yards and 50 touchdowns in his first season as a starting quarterback. Tight end Travis Kelce ranked second among NFL tight ends with 1,336 receiving yards, and WR Tyreek Hill's 1,479 single season receiving yards ranked first in Chiefs history.

In 2017, the Chiefs had a 1,000-yard rusher, with the group logging a combined 1,903 yards on the season. From 2013-15, Bieniemy mentored running back Jamaal Charles. In 2014, Charles recorded 1,000 yards for the fifth time in his career. Charles became the all-time leading rusher in franchise history and finished his Chiefs career with 7,260 career rushing yards. His 5.5 yards per carry average is also the best in Chiefs history.

In 2013 under Bieniemy, Charles led the NFL in touchdowns (19) and first downs (104) and ranked second in yards from scrimmage (1,980 yards). He recorded the most receiving yards by a running back in Chiefs history and led the AFC in rushing (1,287 yards).

Prior to returning to the NFL coaching ranks, Bieniemy spent two seasons (2011-12) at his alma mater Colorado after coaching the running backs for five seasons with the Minnesota Vikings (2006-10). In those five seasons, the Vikings produced a 1,000-yard rusher each year while his stable of running backs broke the 100-yard mark 31 times in 80 regular season games.

In 2006, he coached Chester Taylor, who rushed for 1,216 yards; the next season, Taylor and Adrian Peterson combined for 2,185 yards (1,341 by Peterson, who was All-Pro as a rookie). Peterson set a then-Vikings record with 1,760 yards in 2008, earning the Bert Bell Award as the Pro Football Player of the Year. Overall, Peterson totaled 5,782 rushing yards and 52 touchdowns in four seasons under Bieniemy's guidance.

Bieniemy made the move to the professional ranks after three seasons as the running backs coach at UCLA (2003-05). While at UCLA, Bieniemy tutored former NFL RB Maurice Jones-Drew for three seasons. Jones-Drew earned Freshman All-America honors in 2003, rushed for 1,007 yards in 2004 and was a consensus All-America selection as a kick returner in 2005.

Following his nine-year NFL playing career, Bieniemy served as an assistant at Thomas Jefferson High in Denver prior to securing his first job as running backs coach with Colorado. In his first two seasons coaching the position, CU ranked in the top-10 in rushing. He was a second-round draft pick (39th overall) of the San Diego Chargers in the 1991 NFL Draft. He enjoyed a nine-year pro career with three teams: San Diego (1991-94), Cincinnati (1995-98) and Philadelphia (1999), where he played for Chiefs Head Coach Andy Reid. In 142 career NFL games, he rushed for 1,589 yards and 11 touchdowns while catching 146 passes for 1,223 yards. He appeared in Super Bowl XXIX in his final season with the Chargers.

A letterwinner from Bishop Amat High School in La Puente, Calif., Bieniemy earned second-team All-America honors in football as a senior when he rushed for 2,002 yards and 30 touchdowns.

A native of New Orleans, Bieniemy and his wife, Mia, have two sons Eric III and Elijah.



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Jack Del Rio enters his fourth season as the Commanders Defensive Coordinator in 2023 after being named to the position on Jan. 2, 2020.

In 2022 Del Rio led a defense that finished third in the NFL in yards per game and fourth in the NFL in passing yards per game. Del Rio's defense held opponents to a 31.9 percent conversion rate on third down, the lowest in the league and finished eighth in the NFL allowing opponents to convert 51.9 percent of the time in the redzone. Washington held opponents to a 26:57 time of possession mark, the lowest in the NFL. Del Rio's defense also recorded 15 games allowing 25 or fewer points, the most in the NFL.

In 2021, Del Rio oversaw a defense that featured defensive tackle Jonathan Allen, who set careerhighs in sacks (9.0) and quarterback hits (30). Washington's defense allowed the eighth-fewest rushing yards per game and recorded the best defensive tackle team grade in the NFL according to Pro Football Focus.

In 2020, Del Rio helped lead a defense that ranked in the top 10 in total yards per game (6th), passing yards per game (5th), interception rate (8th), redzone percentage (3rd) and total points per game (7th).

Del Rio has accumulated 35 combined seasons of NFL experience, including 24 as a coach and 11 as a player. He has held head coaching roles with the Oakland Raiders, Denver Broncos (interim) and Jacksonville Jaguars. He has also coached 29 players to a total of 57 Pro Bowl selections.

From 2015-17, Del Rio was the Head Coach of the Oakland Raiders. In 2016, he guided the Raiders to a 12-4 record, marking the franchise's first 12-win season since 2000. The Raiders earned a

postseason berth for the first time since 2002 and landed an NFL-high seven players on the AFC Pro Bowl squad. Del Rio was selected as the recipient of the Maxwell Club's Greasy Neale Professional Coach of the Year Award, becoming the sixth Raiders coach to earn NEL Coach of the Year honors. In addition, he was named the AFC Coach of the Year by Kansas City's Committee of 101.

As defensive coordinator with the Denver Broncos from 2012-14, Del Rio was part of three-straight AFC West titles and helped lead Denver to an AFC Championship and appearance in Super Bowl XLVIII following the 2013 campaign. It marked his second stint under Head Coach John Fox, as the two also spent the 2002 season together in Carolina.

Prior to joining the Broncos in 2012, Del Rio spent nine seasons at the helm in Jacksonville. During his head coaching tenure (2003-11) with the Jaguars, the club ranked sixth in the NFL in yards per game allowed (317.3) and eighth in points per game allowed (20.3).

Under Del Rio, the Jaguars made two playoff appearances in 2005 and 2007, highlighted by the club's first postseason win in eight seasons with a 31-29 road victory against the Pittsburgh Steelers in the 2007 AFC Wild Card Game. During his lone season as a defensive coordinator with Carolina in 2002, he inherited the NFL's worst defense statistically (371.4 vards per game allowed) and turned it into the league's second-ranked unit (290.4 vards per game allowed). Additionally. the 2002 Panthers squad led the NFL in rushing average against (3.7 avg.) and ranked second in third down efficiency (32.9 percent) and sacks (52).

As linebackers coach for the Baltimore Ravens from 1999-2001, Del Rio tutored a talented group that included Peter Boulware, Ray Lewis and Jamie Sharper. Baltimore's 2000 team set the NFL 16-game record by allowing only 165 points while recording four shutouts and forcing a leaguebest 49 turnovers. Lewis was named the NFL's Defensive Player of the Year and the MVP of Super Bowl XXXV that season after a playoff run in which the defense surrendered just one touchdown in four games.

Del Rio began his coaching career with the New Orleans Saints under Head Coach Mike Ditka. serving as an assistant strength coach in 1997 before moving on to coach the linebackers in 1998.

A veteran of 11 seasons as an NFL linebacker, he was selected in the third round (68th overall) of the 1985 NFL Draft by New Orleans and went on to make the NFL's All-Rookie Team and earn the Saints' Rookie of the Year award.

Del Rio was a four-year starter at the University of Southern California, where he earned consensus All-American honors as a senior and was runnerup for the Lombardi Award, given to the nation's best lineman or linebacker.

Del Rio recorded 340 career defensive stops, including 58 tackles for a loss. A standout catcher on the USC baseball team, Del Rio was drafted by the Toronto Blue Jays in 1981. He was inducted into the USC Athletic Hall of Fame in May 2015.

Del Rio was a three-sport star in football, baseball and basketball at Hayward (Calif.) High School. He earned a degree in political science from the University of Kansas while playing for the Chiefs.

Del Rio and his wife, Linda, have three daughters, Lauren, Hope and Aubrey, and a son, Luke, who also works for Washington as an offensive quality control coach and assistant guarterbacks coach.



JEFF ZGONINA DEFENSIVE LINE



RYAN KERRIGAN ASST DEFENSIVELINE



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NATE KACZOR SPECIAL TEAMS COORDINATOR

16TH NFL SEASON / 5TH WITH WASHINGTON

Nate Kaczor (pronounced Kat-sir) enters his fifth season as special teams coordinator with Washington in 2023. Prior to Washington, Kaczor held positions with the Jacksonville Jaguars, Tennessee Titans and Tampa Bay Buccaneers.

In 2022, Kaczor led a unit that produced two Pro Bowl players including punter Tress Way and special teamer Jeremy Reaves. Way became the first Washington punter since Matt Turk in 1998 to be selected to the Pro Bowl. Way now joins Turk (1996-98) as the only other punter in franchise history to be selected to multiple Pro Bowls. Way punted 83 times and recorded 3.885 vards and pinned 37 punts inside the 20 yard line. Reaves was selected as a primary special teamer for the NFC. It was Reaves' first Pro Bowl selection and the selection marks the first time that Washington has sent a special teamer to the Pro Bowl since Lorenzo Alexander in 2012.

In 2021, Kaczor led a special teams unit that finished with the sixth-most total return vards in the NFL which was the most by the organization since 2015. The unit also allowed 643 kickoff return yards, the seventh fewest in the NFL. Washington punted for an average of 47.4 vards. the seventh-most in the league.

In 2020, Kaczor helped standout punter Tress Way record the highest single season net punting average [44.3] in franchise history. Way broke his own record from 2019 [44.1], also under the direction of Kaczor. Way also set a franchise record for most punting yards in a single game, punting 10 times for 511 yards against the Rams in Week 5. Washington led the league in net punting vards in 2020 with 3.325.

In 2019, Kaczor helped guide punter Tress Way to his first Pro Bowl selection. Way was also named to the Associated Press All-Pro Second Team. Way finished the season No. 2 in net average (44.1) and No. 2 in punt yardage (3,919) and No. 7 in punts inside the 20 yard line (30). Under Kaczor's guidance, Washington ranked No. 4 in the league in kickoff return average (25.2) and No. 5 in kickoff return yardage (833) despite fielding one of the league's youngest rosters.

Under Kaczor's guidance, Steven Sims Jr. (NFC Special Teams Player of the Week in Week 12) and Tress Way (NFC Special Teams Player of the Week in Week 13) were also the first players in the history of the franchise to receive the honor of NFC Special Teams Player of the Week in consecutive weeks.

During Kaczor's three seasons with Tampa Bay, the Buccaneers were one of the top punt coverage units in the NFL, allowing only 6.6 yards per return, the fourth-lowest mark in the league during that span.

Punter Bryan Anger was a standout during Kaczor's tenure with the Buccaneers. In his first year with the team, Anger set Buccaneers records for both punts inside the 20 (37) and net punting average (42.7), with both of those ranking in the top five in the NFL in 2016. In the three seasons that Anger spent under Kaczor's tutelage, Anger ranked top 15 in the league in punts inside the 20 and net average while only recording 14 touchbacks.

Kaczor came to Tampa Bay having spent the previous four seasons with the Tennessee Titans, the final three as the teams' special teams coordinator (2013-15) after being hired as the assistant offensive line coach in his first season (2012). In 2015, the Titans tied for the NFL lead in special teams takeaways, while in 2013 Kaczor's unit ranked third in the league in opponent punt return average and eighth in kickoff return average.

Kaczor entered the NFL as an assistant special

teams coach with the Jacksonville Jaguars, working there from 2008-11. During those four years, Jacksonville had one of the league's top special teams coverage units, allowing the lowest punt return average in the NFL (6.5) and the eighthlowest kickoff return average (21.8). In each of Kaczor's final two seasons, Montell Owens earned Pro Bowl recognition as a special teams player.

Prior to joining the NFL, Kaczor spent 17 years coaching in college, the final two working as cooffensive coordinator (2007) and tight ends coach (2006) at Louisiana-Monroe. In his only season as co-offensive coordinator, the team ranked second in the Sun Belt Conference in rushing offense and averaged its most points scored since 1993.

Before his time at Louisiana-Monroe. Kaczor spent two seasons (2004-05) as the co-offensive coordinator/tight ends coach at Idaho and four seasons as offensive coordinator/quarterbacks coach at Nebraska-Kearney (2000-03). Kaczor began his coaching career as an offensive assistant at his alma mater, Utah State, working as an offensive assistant for nine seasons (1991-99), helping the team win three conference championships.

A center at Utah State, Kaczor was a team captain, who earned all-conference honors in 1989. A native of Scott City, Kansas, Kaczor is an avid college basketball fan and he and his wife, Angie, have two children, Kaylee and Micah, who had a stint as a pitcher in the Colorado Rockies organization.



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AD ENGLEHA HEAD OF STRENGTH & CONDITIONING

14TH NFL SEASON / 7TH WITH WASHINGTON

Chad Englehart is entering his 14th season with Washington and his seventh as the team's head strength and conditioning coach in 2023 after being promoted to the role during the 2017 offseason. He initially joined the team as an assistant strength and conditioning coach on February 26, 2010.

Prior to joining Washington, Englehart served as the head strength and conditioning coach with the Florida Tuskers of the United Football League in 2009

In 2008, Englehart served as director of strength and conditioning at Xcel Sports Performance

in Louisiana. Before that, he was head strength and conditioning coach in 2007 at HS2 Athletic Performance in Mandeville, La., and at the University of New Orleans in 2006.

Englehart holds a Master's degree in human movement with a concentration in corrective exercise from A.T. Still University. He also holds a bachelor's degree in kinesiology with a concentration in exercise science from Southeastern Louisiana University. He is a certified strength and conditioning specialist with the National Strength and Condition Association and is a Performance Enhancement Specialist and Corrective Exercise Specialist with the National Academy of Sports Medicine (NASM).

Englehart also holds certifications with USA Weightlifting and USA Track and Field, Functional Movement Screen and TRX Suspension Training certifications as well as a Fitness Nutrition Specialist certification from the NASM and a 3DMAPS (3D Movement Analysis and Performance System) certification from Gray Institute.

Englehart and his wife, Lyndsey, have two daughters, Blair and Elise.



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DOUG WILLIAMS SENIOR ADVISOR TO THE PRESIDENT 27TH NEL SEASON

Doug Williams is Senior Advisor to Washington Commanders President Jason Wright. In his role, Doug leverages his vast experience with the team as a player, ambassador, and executive to provide counsel on all matters pertaining to the establishment of a new, modern identity for the team.

Previously, Doug served as Washington's senior vice president of player development. In that role, one of the most celebrated athletes in franchise history helped lead and guide the efforts of the team's player development department.

Doug, a member of the 90 Greatest Washington players and franchise's Ring of Fame, played with the team from 1986-89 and led Washington to a Super Bowl XXII title, which was a 42-10 rout of the Denver Broncos. The first African-American quarterback to play in a Super Bowl, he completed 18-of-29 passes for 340 yards with four touchdown passes to earn Super Bowl XXII MVP honors.

Doug is a veteran of 21 NFL seasons, including nine as a player and 12 in scouting/personnel roles. He spent five seasons as Personnel Executive with the Tampa Bay Buccaneers from 2004-08 before being named the team's Director of Pro Personnel for the 2009 season.

Doug joined the Buccaneers' front office in 2004 following a successful tenure as head coach at his alma mater, Grambling State, and one of the most storied playing careers in league and team history. His responsibilities in Tampa included coordinating the scouting and recruiting of all NFL players, while also monitoring NFL transactions and overseeing player tryouts. In addition, he was in charge of Tampa Bay's evaluating efforts of all other professional football leagues, including the Canadian Football League.

A first-round pick by Tampa Bay in the 1978 NFL Draft (17th overall), he led the Buccaneers to the first three playoff appearances in team history. He propelled the team to three winning seasons (10-6 in 1979, 9-7 in 1981 and 5-4 in 1982). They were the only campaigns in franchise history with a winning record until more than 15 years later, in the 1997 season. He started 67 career games for the Buccaneers and was a two-time team MVP in 1980 and 1981. He ended his Tampa Bay career in 1982 as the all-time franchise leader in touchdown passes, passing yards, attempts and completions.

In 1986, Washington traded for Williams' rights following two seasons with the USFL's Oklahoma Outlaws. In his Super Bowl XXII MVP performance following the 1987 season, he set or tied several Super Bowl passing records, including most TD passes (four), most yards passing (340), longest pass completion (80 yards) and longest TD pass (80 yards).

In six seasons during his first tenure (1998-2003) at Grambling State, Doug brought one of the most storied programs in college football history back to prominence, compiling a 52-18 record as head coach after succeeding the legendary Eddie Robinson, who was at the helm for 57 years from 1941-97 and re-wrote the record books as the winningest coach in the history of college football with 408 career wins.

Williams led the Tigers to three consecutive Southwestern Athletic Conference titles from 2000-02, as they were named National Black College Champions during the same three-year span. He was also named SWAC Coach of the Year in each of those three seasons. Williams was a two-time finalist for The Sports Network Eddie Robinson (Division I-AA) National Coach of the Year. He rejoined the program for three seasons from 2011-13, including earning the SWAC title in his first season back in 2011.

Doug started his college head coaching career at Morehouse College in 1997. He also has previous NFL experience as a scout for the Jacksonville Jaguars in 1995 and as offensive coordinator for the Scottish Claymores of the World League in 1995 and tutoring running backs for Navy in 1994. He also excelled on the high school level as head coach and athletic director at Point Coupee H.S. in New Roads, La., in 1991. In 1993, he was head coach at Northeast H.S. in his hometown of Zachary, La., where he guided the team to a 13-1 record and the state semifinals, including a win over Peyton Manning's Isidore Newman squad in the 1993 state quarterfinals.

As Grambling's quarterback from 1974-77, he had a spectacular college career as he passed for more than 8,000 yards and 93 touchdowns, leading the Tigers to three Black College National Championships and two SWAC titles. He posted a 35-5 record as a starter and finished fourth in voting for the 1977 Heisman Trophy.

In 2005, Doug and Shack Harris established The Shack Harris & Doug Williams Foundation with the function of providing grants for afterschool initiatives, leadership development, mentoring programs and minority higher education assistance for economically disadvantaged youth. In March of 2009, the foundation put on its first annual Washington Football Legends for Charity in Washington, D.C. In 2010, the foundation established the Black College Football Hall of Fame, which will move to its new home in Canton, Ohio in 2018.

After Super Bowl XLII, the NFL honored the 20th anniversary of his Super Bowl XXII victory as Williams was chosen to present the Lombardi Trophy to the New York Giants following their victory over the New England Patriots.

Doug and his wife, Raunda, have eight children: Ashley, Adrian, Carmeleta, Doug, Jr., Jasmine, Laura, Lee and Temessia.





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MARTIN MAYHEW DERS

34TH NFL SEASON (25 FRONT OFFICE/9 PLAYING) / 7TH WITH WASHINGTON

Martin Mayhew enters his third season as General Manager of the Washington Commanders after being hired by the organization on January 22, 2021.

Mayhew joined Washington with 22 seasons of NFL experience as an executive, including eight seasons as the general manager of the Detroit Lions. He returns to the franchise that he played for from 1989-92 and was a member of the Super Bowl XXVI team.

Mayhew spent the previous four seasons with the San Francisco 49ers, most recently as the club's vice president of player personnel. He held the position of senior personnel executive for the franchise from 2017-18. Mayhew assisted first-time general manager John Lynch and was a major contributor to a personnel department that was vital in the team's Super Bowl appearance in 2019.

Prior to joining San Francisco, Mayhew spent the 2016 season as the director of football operations/ special projects with the New York Giants. In his role with the Giants, he worked on all aspects of the salary cap, CBA compliance and player contract negotiations.

Prior to his time in New York, Mayhew spent 15 years (2001-15) in the Detroit Lions organization, including the final seven as the team's general manager. He took over as the general manager following Detroit's winless season and oversaw the building of a roster that resulted in a 10-win season in 2011 and an 11-win season in 2014.

During Mayhew's tenure as Lions general manager, he was responsible for the draft selections of Pro Bowlers QB Matthew Stafford, DE Ezekiel Ansah and DT Ndamukong Suh. Suh was a four-time Pro Bowler and three-time First Team All-Pro selection with Detroit and was the 2010 NFL Defensive Rookie of the Year. Mayhew was also responsible for signing WR Golden Tate and S Glover Quin in free agency, both of whom went on to earn Pro Bowl honors in Detroit.

Mayhew first joined the Lions organization in 2001 as the senior director of football administration/ staff counsel and was promoted to senior vice president of football administration/staff counsel in 2003. Mayhew was appointed senior vice president and assistant general manager in 2004. In 2008, Mayhew was promoted to general manager.

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SENIOR VICE PRESIDENT OF FOOTBALL ADMINISTRATION

Mayhew played nine seasons in the NFL and was originally selected by the Buffalo Bills in the 10th round (262nd overall) in the 1988 NFL Draft. During Mayhew's nine-year career, he appeared in 118 games (107 starts) for Buffalo (1988), Washington (1989-92) and Tampa Bay (1993-96) and notched 473 tackles, 21 interceptions, 1.0 sack and four forced fumbles. He started at cornerback for the Super Bowl XXVI champion Washington Redskins.

Mayhew is a native of Tallahassee, Fla. and graduated from Florida State University with a degree in business management and also holds a law degree from Georgetown University. At Florida State, he lettered in both football and track. Mayhew interned for Washington's personnel department in 1999 while in law school at Georgetown. He also held labor and legal department internships with the NFL League Office before joining the Detroit Lions.



Rob Rogers enters his 29th season in the NFL

in the role of Senior Vice President of Football

development of player budget parameters, roster

strategies and salary cap management. Rogers also

oversees the club's football analytics department

Prior to coming to Washington, Rogers held the

title of executive director of player finance and

football research for the Carolina Panthers. In

this role, he worked closely with the Panthers

general manager on the development of player

proposals, negotiation strategies and salary

football analytics department and worked on

research and analysis of player contracts and

statistics. He directly conducted the majority of

budget parameters, roster management, contract

cap management. He also oversaw the Panthers

along with being one of the main liaison's between

management, contract proposals, negotiation

and third with the Washington Commanders

Administration. In this role, Rogers works for

the football senior leadership team on the

the football and business operations.

contract negotiations with player representatives during his time in this role.

29TH NFL SEASON / 4TH WITH WASHINGTON

Before gaining the title of executive director of player finance and football research, Rogers was the director of football administration for 11 years (2008-18). He negotiated contracts for all of the Panthers first round and other draft selections during a 16-year span (2003-19) along with numerous free agents. He also worked with the front office on issues dealing with the NFL Collective Bargaining Agreement and as the club's liaison to the NFL Management Council, he kept the Panthers in compliance with all NFL personnel, contract and labor-related issues.

Starting in 2013, Rogers worked on developing efforts in analytics, football research in personnel, opponent analysis and self-scouting along with sports science and next gen statistics. He developed the in-house salary cap management database and also designed the current pro scouting system in Carolina and in the mid 90s worked with in-house developers to design and implement the initial opponent analysis and selfscouting system. Rogers worked extensively with Coach Rivera in Carolina on on-going efforts to develop game management analysis and practices.

Rogers is also a member of the NFL Club Services Committee, which is a group made of various front office executives from around the league, tasked with providing guidance and feedback on technology integration initiatives to the development staff of the NFL Management Council. He has served on the committee since 2002.

Rogers joined the Carolina Panthers in 1995 and worked as a quality control assistant along with helping out on the in-house business analytics team. He is a 1993 graduate of Harvard University and holds a degree in government.

Rogers and his wife Clair have two children: daughter Emma and son Brady.



MARTY HURNEY EXECUTIVE VICE PRESIDENT OF FOOTBALL/PLAYER PERSONNEL

32ND NFL SEASON / 3RD WITH WASHINGTON

Marty Hurney enters his third season as Executive Vice President of Football/Player Personnel of the Washington Commanders after being hired by the organization on January 22, 2021.

Hurney joined Washington with 29 seasons of NFL experience as an executive and rejoined the franchise where he started his NFL career as a member of the team's public relations department.

Hurney was named the Carolina Panthers General Manager in 2002 and held the position until 2012. He was then brought back as the club's interim general manager in 2017 and maintained the official role from 2018-2020. During Hurney's tenure as general manager, the Panthers appeared in the postseason four times, with two NFC South titles, two trips to the NFC Championship game and an appearance in Super Bowl XXXVIII.

Hurney has had a strong number of draft selections in the first round. Most notably, he selected both QB Cam Newton and LB Luke Kuechly in the first round of consecutive drafts in 2011 and 2012. Newton went on to win NFL Rookie of the Year in 2011, NFL MVP in 2015 along with setting nearly every passing and rushing record in franchise history. Kuechly won NFL Rookie of the Year in 2012 and NFL Defensive Player of the Year in 2013 and was a seven-time Pro Bowl selection. Carolina was just the fourth team in NFL history to have consecutive players win rookie of the year honors since the awards inception in 1967.

Hurney's other notable first round selections include DE Julius Pepper (2002), T Jordan Gross (2003), CB Chris Gamble (2004), LB Thomas Davis Sr. (2005), RB DeAngelo Williams (2006), RB Jonathan Stewart (2008), WR DJ Moore (2018) and DE Brian Burns (2019). Peppers was selected to the Pro Bowl nine times, was the NFL Rookie of the Year in 2002 and is the Panthers' all-time leader in sacks. Gross started at tackle for the Panthers for 11 consecutive seasons, made three Pro Bowls and is the Panthers' all-time leader in games started. Gamble started at cornerback for the Panthers for nine seasons and is the all-time franchise leader in interceptions. Davis Sr. was selected to three Pro Bowls along with gaining First Team All-Pro honors in 2015 and is the Panthers alltime leader in tackles. Stewart and Williams went on to compile 7,318 rushing yards and 6,846 rushing yards, which are No. 1 and No. 2 in Panthers' history, respectively. Moore has led Carolina in receiving and posted 1,000-plus receiving yards in consecutive seasons and was selected to the PFWA All-Rookie Team in 2018. Burns ranked No. 4 among rookies in sacks in 2019 and led the Panthers with 9.0 sacks in 2020.

During Hurney's tenure as Panthers GM, he also had considerable success in free agency and through trades. Hurney executed trades for TE Greg Olsen and long snapper J.J. Jansen who were both Pro Bowlers. Olsen holds the franchise record for receiving yards among tight ends and ranks No. 3 overall in receiving yards in franchise history. He also acquired RB Stephen Davis, QB Jake Delhomme, LB Mark Fields and G Mike Wahle via free agency. All four players were named to Pro Bowls during their time with Carolina. Delhomme ranks second behind only Cam Newton as the franchise's leader in passing yards and passing touchdowns.

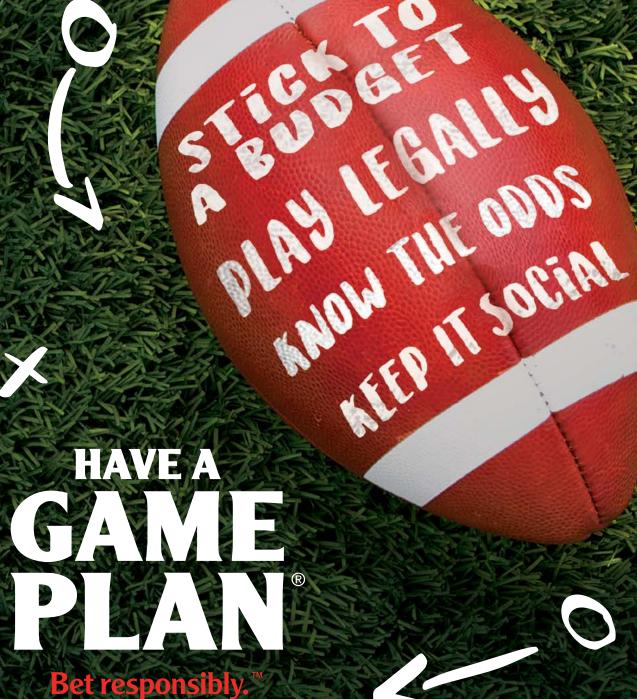
Prior to being named general manager of the Panthers in 2002, Hurney held the position of coordinator of player operations from 1999-2001 and director of football administration in 1998. Before joining the Carolina Panthers organization, Hurney held the role of coordinator of football operations with the San Diego Chargers under Pro Football Hall of Fame and Washington Ring of Fame executive Bobby Beathard.

Hurney began his career as a reporter covering Washington in the 1980s. After developing relationships with Owner Jack Kent Cooke, General Manager Bobby Beathard and Head Coach Joe Gibbs, Hurney joined Washington's public relations department in 1988.

Hurney is a native of Wheaton, Md. and attended Catholic University in Washington D.C. Before joining Washington's public relations department, he worked for the Montgomery Journal, Washington Star and Washington Times.



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ERIC STOKES

SENIOR DIRECTOR OF PLAYER PERSONNE 26TH NFL SEASON (22 FRONT OFFICE/4 PLAYING) / 4TH WITH WASHINGTON



Eric Stokes is entering his fourth season with Washington and his third as Washington's senior director of player personnel after serving as the director of pro personnel in 2021. In this role, he oversees the day-to-day operations of the personnel department.

Stokes joined Washington after spending five seasons with the Carolina Panthers in a variety of roles, including director of college scouting, regional director of college scouting and southwest area scout.

As the director of college scouting for the Panthers, Stokes oversaw a college scouting staff that was tasked with targeting and tracking drafteligible prospects, as he worked with area scouts. He was responsible for the pre-draft evaluation process at the NFL Combine, pro days and visits by draft-eligible players.

Prior to joining Carolina, Stokes spent two seasons (2014-15) as the assistant general manager of the Miami Dolphins. In his role, Stokes assisted in all aspects of player evaluation and acquisitions at the professional and collegiate levels, including the daily management and makeup of the Dolphins roster as well as guiding the team's preparation for the annual NFL Draft.

From 2012-13, Stokes was the director of college scouting for the Tampa Bay Buccaneers. Prior to joining the Buccaneers, Stokes spent 12 seasons as a member of the Seattle Seahawks scouting staff, working as an area scout (2000-01, 2005-09) and pro personnel assistant (2002-04) before serving as assistant director of college scouting from 2010-11. In that role, Stokes was instrumental in bringing in defensive standouts safeties Earl Thomas and Kam Chancellor, linebacker Bobby Wagner and cornerback Richard Sherman.

Stokes played two seasons as a safety for the Seahawks after being selected in the fifth round of the 1997 NFL Draft. He was selected by the Cleveland Browns in the 1999 expansion draft before an injury cut his career short.

Stokes graduated from the University of Nebraska with a degree in sociology. He and his wife, Tisa, have three daughters, Erisa, Payton and Madison.

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L**COLM B**I SENIOR DIRECTOR OF PLAYER DEVELOPMEN

29TH NFL SEASON / 17TH WITH WASHINGTON

Malcolm Blacken is entering his third season as Senior Director of Player Development after serving seven seasons as Director of Player Development for Washington. Blacken was named to the elevated position on January 9, 2020.

Blacken's hiring served to start his third stint with Washington after having previously served as a strength and conditioning coach for Washington on two occasions (1996-2000 and 2010). In his last season in Washington in 2010, Blacken was responsible for assisting with all aspects of the Redskins' strength and conditioning program.

In his current role, Blacken guides the development and education of Washington players as it pertains to both their personal and professional lives. His guidance covers topics including but not limited to: financial education; healthy and unhealthy relationships; total wellness and mental health; league policies on substance abuse, performance enhancing drugs and personal conduct; social responsibility; social media; decision making; stress and time management; team history and tradition; and the expectations of being a player in the National Football League.

In addition, Blacken works hand-in-hand with Washington 's Charitable Foundation and was a principal figure in instituting the team's Rookie Community Club, which annually takes the team's

rookies and immediately integrates them into the Washington, D.C. area community through a series of service efforts. He also provides assistance with continuing education and offers guidance for players' academic pursuits.

From 2011-12, Blacken served as Director of Speed, Strength & Conditioning for the University of Colorado. He worked directly with the football program on a day-to-day basis while overseeing the speed, strength and conditioning needs of all 16 of Colorado's varsity programs.

In between his first two stops in Washington, Blacken spent nine years as the Detroit Lions' strength and conditioning coach from 2001-09. Blacken was an assistant strength coach for the University of Virginia's football program in 1995 and worked with all other sports in the Cavaliers' athletic department as well. For three years (1992-94), Blacken served as the head strength and conditioning coach for George Mason University, where he oversaw the program for all of the university's varsity sports.

Blacken began his coaching career at the University of South Carolina in 1990-91 as the football program's assistant strength and conditioning coach.

Blacken graduated from Virginia Tech in 1989 with bachelor's degrees in art and physical education.

21ST NFL SEASON / 3RD WITH WASHINGTON

DIRECTOR OF FOOTBALL OPERATIONS

He was a Hokies running back from 1984-88 and was a four-time letter winner. While at Virginia Tech, Blacken was a two-time winner of the Super Iron Hokie Award (1987-88), which is given yearly to the football program's strongest player at each position.

Off the field, Blacken is an accomplished artist whose paintings have been displayed across the country. Recently, he participated in the 2016 NFLPA Smocks and Jocks art auction in Houston for Super Bowl LI and the 2019 NFLPA Smocks and Jocks art auction in Atlanta for Super Bowl LIII, with proceeds donated to the retired players fund. More about Blacken's art can be accessed by visiting ArtByMalcolm.com.

Blacken currently resides in Ashburn, Virginia, with his wife, Marcy. The couple has two children, Maya and Bo.



ALEXIS DOTSON PLAYER DEVELOPMENT ASST.



Brvan Porter is in his 20th season in the NFL

operations after being hired by the team in 2021.

In his role, Porter directs the football operations

team travel, budget, and supports the day-to-day

Porter was the football operations manager from

2011-17, where he planned and executed all travel,

including bus and hotel contracts, while also and second in Washington as director of football managing training camp operations.

> Prior to his promotion to manager, Porter was the Panthers' football operations coordinator from 2006-11 and operations assistant from 2003-06. He worked as a team equipment intern in 2001 and 2002 after starting as an intern with the public relations department in the spring of 2001.

Porter played football at Guilford College from 1996-99. He earned his undergraduate degree from N.C. State in business management in 2001.

Porter and his wife. Nicki, have two children. Davis and Henry.

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Tim Gribble is entering his 23rd season with Washington and his second as the Director of College Personnel. He was promoted to his current role on Jan. 14, 2020.

Gribble oversees the organization's evaluation of collegiate talent and manage scouting efforts at both the area and national levels.

Gribble previously assisted Kyle Smith and Washington's personnel staff by providing evaluations of collegiate talent at the national level.



Prior to his promotion to assistant director of college scouting in 2017, Gribble spent the previous 11 seasons as an area scout for Washington. He originally joined Washington in 2002 and served as a pro personnel assistant, later adding responsibility as the team's Northeast scout in 2003. He also covered the South and Midwest regions at various points during his first 16 years with the organization.

Before coming to Washington, Gribble spent two seasons with the Pittsburgh Steelers as an assistant in the scouting department. Prior to joining the NFL, he was an assistant coach for his alma mater, Duquesne University. He served as the Dukes' special teams coordinator (1996-2000), defensive line coach (1996-98) and running backs coach (1998-2000).

Gribble was a four-year starter (1992-96) at fullback and team captain at Duquesne. He also played baseball for the Dukes and earned dual degrees in psychology and sociology. He is married to his wife, Jennifer.



Chris Polian enters his third season as Washington's director of pro personnel in 2023. He joined Washington with 24 seasons of NFL experience as an executive and scout, including three seasons as vice president and general manager of the Indianapolis Colts.

Polian was most recently the director of pro personnel with the Jacksonville Jaguars from 2013-2019. He played a major factor in the team's free agency signings in 2017 of DE Calais Campbell, DT Malik Jackson and CB A.J. Bouye who were all Pro Bowl selections during their tenures in Jacksonville. In that offseason, he also helped target S Barry Church who along with Campbell, Jackson and Bouye helped anchor a defense that was ranked No. 2 in the NFL in 2017 and helped Jacksonville capture an AFC South title and appearance in the AFC Championship game. CHRISPOLIAN DIRECTOR OF PROPERSONNEL 27TH NFL SEASON / 3RD WITH WASHINGTON

Prior to his seven seasons with the Jaguars, Polian was an executive scout with the Atlanta Falcons in 2012 and also spent three seasons as vice president and general manager of the Indianapolis Colts from 2009-11. He started his career with Indianapolis in 1998 as the director of pro scouting from 1998-2000. Polian then held the position of assistant director of football operations from 2001-03 and was promoted to assistant general manager/football operations in 2004 and spent five seasons as the vice president of football operations from 2005-09. Prior to joining the Colts, Polian worked with the Carolina Panthers for four years (1994-97) as a personnel assistant.

During Polian's tenure in Indianapolis from 1998-2011, the Colts had a regular season record of 143-81 with playoff appearances in 10 of 14 seasons including seven division titles and a Super Bowl championship in 2006. The franchise also became the only team to win 12-plus games in seven consecutive seasons during that timeframe.

Polian is a native of New York, N.Y. and earned a bachelor's degree in communications from John Carroll University in 1993. His father, Bill, a 2016 Pro Football Hall of Fame Inductee, a general manager of the Buffalo Bills, Indianapolis Colts and Carolina Panthers.

His brother Brian is the special teams coordinator at Notre Dame and his brother, Dennis, was the associate athletic director, football at the University of Arizona. He and his wife, Debbie, have three children, Jack, Caroline and Kate.

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Al Bellamy enters his second season and stint in Washington after spending nine seasons as the director of athletic training for Temple University. While working directly with the football team, he also oversaw all 19 of Temple's intercollegiate sports and also managed the sports medicine staff.

Prior to arriving at Temple, Bellamy spent 25 years in the NFL, including 12 seasons with the Detroit Lions and 13 seasons in Washington. With Detroit, Bellamy helped manage the team's athletic training staff and worked closely with the team's physicians.

Bellamy started his NFL career as an assistant trainer in Washington in 1988. He was a member of Washington's medical staff when the team won



Super Bowl XXVI at the end of the 1991 season. Bellamy worked with 21 members of the Pro Football Hall of Fame including: Morten Anderson, Champ Bailey, Bobby Beathard, Fred Dean, Edward DeBartolo, Joe Gibbs, Darrell Green, Russ Grimm, Charles Haley, Michael Irvin, Ronnie Lott, Bobby Mitchell, Art Monk, Joe Montana, Jerry Rice, Charley Sanders, Deion Sanders, Bruce Smith, Charley Taylor, Emmitt Thomas and Bill Walsh.

Prior to joining Washington for his first stint, he served as an assistant athletic trainer with the University of Miami (FL) football team from 1986-88. He was a member of the 1987 National Championship medical team. Bellamy earned his master's degree in health education in 1987 from Syracuse University. As an undergrad, he attended Michigan State and received his bachelor's degree in health education in 1984. While at MSU, he began working in the NFL when he served training camp internships with both the St. Louis Cardinals and San Francisco 49ers.

Prior to attending Michigan State, Bellamy attended Archbishop John Carroll High School in Washington, D.C.

Bellamy and his wife, Sharon, have two children -- son Chase, and daughter Ashley.



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Mike Bracken is entering his 25th season with Washington and his 21st as the head of the video department in 2023. His responsibilities include overseeing the daily operations, including assisting the coaching and scouting staffs with game tape and player highlights. Bracken conducts the editing of video from all practices and games, produces "cut-ups" of upcoming opponents, and creates highlight tapes for use in meetings

MIKE BRACKEN 25th NFL SEASON / 25th WITH WASHINGTON

throughout the season. He is also in charge of purchasing and maintaining video and digital equipment.

Bracken joined Washington after serving as video coordinator for the University of South Carolina men's basketball team for the 1999-2000 season and the University of Southern California men's basketball and football teams in 1998. He originally entered the National Football League as a video intern with the Philadelphia Eagles (1997-98).

Bracken graduated from Lycoming College where he played defensive back and helped his team to two conference titles.

A native of Clifton Heights, Pennsylvania, Bracken and his wife, Dawn Marie, have three children: daughter, Erin Marie, and sons, Tripp and Aidan. The family resides in Leesburg, Virginia.



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PASSING								
NAME	CMP	ATT	CMP %	YDS	YDS/G	TD	INT	RTG
Sam Howell QB	167	256	65.2	1,749	249.9	9	7	85.2

RUSHING									
NAME	CAR	YDS	AVG	LONG	TD	YDS/G			
Brian Robinson Jr. RB	85	325	3.8	27	4	46.4			
Sam Howell QB	21	119	5.7	20	1	17			
Antonio Gibson RB	18	76	4.2	13	0	10.9			
Chris Rodriguez Jr. RB	14	61	4.4	13	0	12.2			
Curtis Samuel WR	4	20	5	13	1	2.9			
Logan Thomas TE	1	2	2	2	0	0.3			

RECEIVING								
NAME	REC	TGTS	YDS	AVG	TD	LONG	YDS/G	
Terry McLaurin WR	37	51	432	11.7	1	32	61.7	
Curtis Samuel WR	31	39	310	10	2	37	44.3	
Logan Thomas TE	23	32	236	10.3	2	27	39.3	
Jahan Dotson WR	22	39	183	8.3	1	18	26.1	
Antonio Gibson RB	15	19	157	10.5	1	41	22.4	
Brian Robinson Jr. RB	11	14	113	10.3	2	24	16.1	
Dyami Brown WR	6	11	87	14.5	0	35	12.4	
John Bates TE	8	11	83	10.4	0	35	11.9	
Cole Turner TE	8	12	82	10.3	0	21	11.7	
Byron Pringle WR	4	6	45	11.3	0	16	6.4	
Jamison Crowder WR	2	2	21	10.5	0	11	3	

PUNTING				KICKING					
NAME	PNT	AVG	IN20	LONG	NAME	FGM	FGA	LONG	FG%
Tress Way	35	47.8	12	66	Joey Slye	9	13	51	69.2

DEFENSIVE STATS

DEFENSE										
NAME	SOLO	TOT	SACK	TFL	PD	INT	TD	FF		
Cody Barton LB	33	61	0	1	0	0	0	0		
Kamren Curl S	36	58	1	3	3	0	0	0		
Jamin Davis LB	25	44	2	2	2	1	0	1		
Benjamin St-Juste CB	27	35	0	0	9	1	0	1		
Kendall Fuller CB	23	35	0	0	6	2	0	0		
Darrick Forrest S	18	29	0	0	0	0	0	0		
Jonathan Allen DT	15	28	3	6	1	0	0	0		
Montez Sweat DE	18	27	5.5	8	1	0	0	2		
Daron Payne DT	16	23	1	6	3	0	0	2		
Emmanuel Forbes CB	17	19	0	2	5	1	0	0		
John Ridgeway DT	9	16	0	0	1	0	0	0		
Chase Young DE	11	14	5	6	1	0	0	0		
Percy Butler S	6	14	0	0	2	0	0	0		
David Mayo LB	9	13	0	0	0	0	0	0		
James Smith-Williams DE	3	10	1	1	0	0	0	0		
Casey Toohill DE	7	9	3	2	0	0	0	0		
Danny Johnson CB	4	7	0	0	1	0	0	0		
Jartavius Martin S	2	7	0	0	1	0	0	0		
Khaleke Hudson LB	5	6	1	1	0	0	0	0		
Jeremy Reaves S	4	6	0	0	0	0	0	0		
Abdullah Anderson DT	3	5	0.5	1	0	0	0	0		
Christian Holmes CB	1	2	0	0	0	0	0	0		
Terrell Burgess S	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0		
De'Jon Harris LB	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0		
Tariq Castro-Fields CB	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0		
Efe Obada DE	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0		

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JONATHAN ALLEN 93 | DEFENSIVE TACKLE



57 | LINEBACKER



JOHN BATES 87 | TIGHT END



JACOBY BRISSETT 12 | QUARTERBACK



2 | WIDE RECEIVER



32 | SAFETY



PERCY BUTLER 35 | SAFETY



SAAHDIQ CHARLES 77 | GUARD/TACKLE



CAMARON CHEESEMAN 54 | LONGSNAPPER



5AM COSMI 76 | TACKLE



JAMISON CROWDER 83 | WIDE RECEIVER



31 | SAFETY



JAMIN DAVIS



JAHAN DOTSON



EMMANUEL FORBES JR. 13 | CORNERBACK



29 | CORNERBACK



63 | CENTER



24 | RUNNING BACK



DE'JON HARRIS 45 | LINEBACKER



KJ HENRY 55 | DEFENSIVE END



80 | TIGHT END



CHRISTIAN HOLMES 34 | CORNERBACK



SAM HOWELL 14 | QUARTERBACK



KHALEKE HUDSON 47 | LINEBACKER

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DANNY JOHNSON 36 | CORNERBACK



ANDRE JONES JR. 48 | DEFENSIVE END



TYLER LARSEN 69 | CENTER



CHARLES LENO JR. 72 | TACKLE



CORNELIUS LUCAS 78 | TACKLE



JARTAVIUS MARTIN 20 | DEFENSIVE BACK



DAVID MAYO 51 | LINEBACKER



TERRY McLAURIN 17 | WIDE RECEIVER





CHRIS PAUL 75 | GUARD



DARON PAYNE 94 | DEFENSIVE TACKLE



BYRON PRINGLE 3 | WIDE RECEIVER



JOHN RIDGEWAY III 91 | DEFENSIVE TACKLE



BRIAN ROBINSON JR. 8 | RUNNING BACK



CHRIS RODRIGUEZ JR. 23 | RUNNING BACK



CURTIS SAMUEL 4 | WIDE RECEIVER



TRENT SCOTT 73 | TACKLE



JOEY SLYE 6 | KICKER



JAMES SMITH-WILLIAMS 96 | DEFENSIVE END



BENJAMIN ST-JUSTE 25 | CORNERBACH



RICKY STROMBERG 53 | CENTER



MONTEZ SWEAT 90 | DEFENSIVE END



LOGAN THOMAS 82 | TIGHT END



MITCHELL TINSLEY 86 | WIDE RECEIVER



CASEY TOOHILL 95 | DEFENSIVE END



COLE TURNER 85 | TIGHT END



TRESS WAY 5 | PUNTER



ANDREW WYLIE 71 | GUARD/TACKLE



CHASE YOUNG 99 | DEFENSIVE END

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RT ANDREW WYLIE TRENT SCOTT

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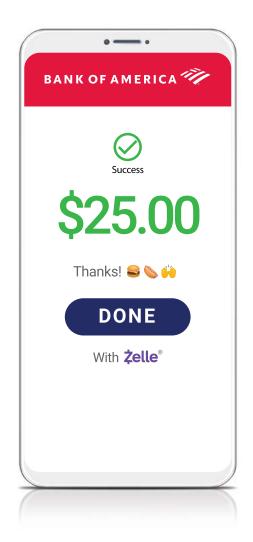
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PLAYERS TO WATCH



A.J. BROWN

11 | WIDE RECEIVER



55 | DEFENSIVE END



D'ANDRE SWIFT 0 | RUNNING BACK



DALLAS GOEDERT 88 | TIGHT END



DEVONTA SMITH 6 | WIDE RECEIVER



FLETCHER COX 91 | DEFENSIVE TACKLE



HAASON REDDICK 7 | LINEBACKER



JALEN HURTS 1 | QUARTERBACK



JAMES BRADBERRY 24 | CORNERBACH



2 | CORNERBACH

JASON KELCE 62 | CENTER



JORDAN DAVIS 90 | DEFENSIVE TACKLE



JORDAN MAILATA 68 | TACKLE

PLAYERS TO WATCH



JOSH SWEAT 94 | DEFENSIVE END



LANDON DICKERSON 69 | GUARD



LANE JOHNSON 65 | TACKLE



MARIO GOODRICH 31 | CORNERBACH



17 | LINEBACKER



OLAMIDE ZACCHEAUS 13 | WIDE RECEIVER



REED BLANKENSHIP 32 | SAFETY



SUA OPETA 78 | GUARD



TERRELL EDMUNDS 26 | SAFETY



ZACH CUNNINGHAM 52 | LINEBACKER



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WR A.J. BROWN JORDAN MAILATA FRED JOHNSON

LG LANDON DICKERSON

C JASON KELCE

RG SUA OPETA TYLER STEEN

RT LANE JOHNSON JACK DRISCOLL

DALLAS GOEDERT JACK STOLL GRANT CALCATERRA ALBERT OKWUEGBUNAM WR OLAMIDE ZACCHEAUS BRITAIN COVEY

WR DEVONTA SMITH

OR JALEN HURTS MARCUS MARIOTA TANNER MCKEE

RB

D'ANDRE SWIFT BOSTON SCOTT RASHAAD PENNY **KENNETH GAINWELL**

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BRANDON GRAHAM DEREK BARNETT

Ð FLETCHER COX MILTON WILLIAMS KENTAVIUS STREET MORO OJOMO

JORDAN DAVIS JALEN CARTER MARLON TUIPULOTU

JOSH SWEAT SAM

HAASON REDDICK NOLAN SMITH PATRICK JOHNSON

NAKOBE DEAN NICHOLAS MORROW CHRISTIAN ELLISS

WILL ZACH CUNNINGHAM

CB JAMES BRADBERRY JOSH JOBE

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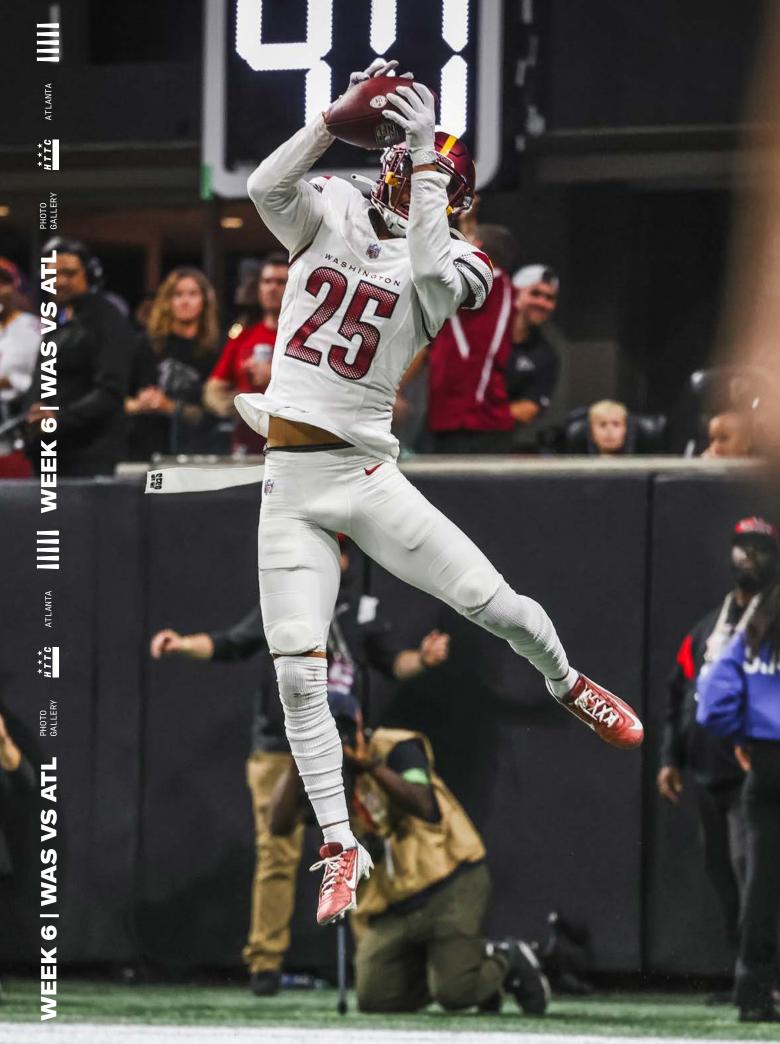




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'IT'S REALLY IMPORTANT FOR US TO BE HERE': CRUCIAL CATCH GAME PROMOTES EARLY DETECTION, HIGHLIGHTS THOSE AFFECTED BY CANCER

By Hannah Lichtenstein

Ahead of the Commanders' Thursday Night Football game, Legends Plaza offered a space for fans to receive cancer awareness education and pay tribute to loved ones who have battled the disease.

"Cancer has had a big part in our lives, so it's just special being able to stand over there and talk to somebody and know that we're not alone," said Charleston, West Virginia, native Chris Patterson. "We have may have lost our parents to cancer, but we're going to see here tonight that we've got family, friends and support around us in the burgundy and gold, so it's gonna be awesome."

That sense of community support around the impacts of cancer was what Week 5's Crucial Catch game was all about. The league-wide initiative, which unfolded in a first-of-its-kind way at FedExField, focuses on promoting early detection, celebrating survivors and highlighting the fight of those currently undergoing treatment.

Specific for the Commanders this year is increased attention on the intersection of cancer and health equity. That aspect of Crucial Catch was top of mind for Nefertari Carver of Robert F. Smith, who was posted up in Legends Plaza.

"It's really important for us to be here because prostate cancer disproportionately impacts Black men and we figured there's no better place to connect with the communities we want to reach then coming to a Commanders game," Carver said.

KEEP FIGHTING

One in 6 Black men will be diagnosed with prostate cancer as compared to 1 in 8 white men. Black men also die at twice the rate as white men from the disease. With these harrowing statistics in mind, the presence of Robert F. Smith, the Prostate Cancer Foundation and the Conference of National Black Churches at an event with a large number of Black male fans in a predominantly Black Prince Georges County could really be seen as having potential life-saving impact.

The attention around prostate cancer that evening represents a larger shift in the Commanders' cancer awareness initiatives. This October, efforts have expanded to include several types of cancers and different communities affected.

Those impacted by pediatric cancer, as another example, were recognized with a handful of touching moments on Thursday, including the ringing of an end-of-treatment bell by Nicholas, a 16-year-old boy who recently finished his treatments for osteosarcoma.

"The end of treatment bell symbolizes being ready to get back to normal life," said Chris Bryant, the co-founder/director of the Hogfarmers Charitable Foundation, which hosted Nicholas. "To watch him do it in front of 60,000-plus fans cheering him on was absolutely priceless."

Nicholas was wearing a yellow/gold shirt when he rang the bell, which was about more than just repping Washington. The NFL's Crucial Catch logo includes yellow/gold (pediatric cancer), navy (colon cancer), lavender (all cancers), pink (breast cancer), teal (cervical cancer), white (lung cancer), purple (pancreatic cancer) and blue (prostate cancer).

All of these colors came together in one of the most powerful displays on the night during halftime. Wearing their respective Crucial Catch colors, survivors, caretakers and those currently undergoing treatment were recognized on the field. The soundtrack to their celebration was "Fight Song" by Rachel Platten, which was sung by ovarian cancer survivor and America's Got Talent semifinalist Caly Bevier.

From delivering surprises and delights to promoting critical education, Week 5's Crucial Catch game created memories that made those affected by cancer feel seen, heard and loved.

"These are experiences I've never had, and I'm so very happy," said breast cancer survivor Janice Johnson. "I'm just overwhelmed with joy today."



















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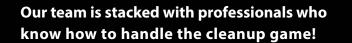






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GRAMBLING STATE NAMES FOOTBALL FIELD AFTER DOUG WILLIAMS AND JAMES 'SHACK' HARRIS

By Hannah Lichtenstein

About a month ago, Washington Legend Doug Williams was sitting on his couch watching TV in the evening when he received a phone call from Dr. Trayvean Scott.

"His name popped up, and I had no idea what he could have been calling about," Williams said. "And that's when he told me."

Scott, the Vice President of Intercollegiate Athletics at Williams' alma mater, Grambling State University, was calling the Super Bowl-winning quarterback to tell him some special news: the football field inside Eddie G. Robinson Memorial Stadium on campus would be named after Williams and fellow GSU legend James "Shack" Harris during this year's Tigers' alumni homecoming weekend.

"It's a big honor, and I don't think it should be taken for granted," Williams said about the field naming decision.

A big honor fit for a man with a big impact on GSU history. As a four-year starter at Grambling from 1974-77, Williams led the Tigers to a 36-7 record and three Southwestern Athletic Conference champions. Other highlights from the quarterback's time in the Black & Yellow included two Black College Player of the Year honors and a fourth-place Heisman finish following his senior campaign.

After his standout college career, Williams went on to make waves in the NFL with both the Tampa Bay and Washington franchises. In 1988, he etched himself into sports history books with Washington's 42-10 win over the Denver Broncos in Super Bowl XXII. The signal-caller was named the game's MVP and became the first Black quarterback to win a Super Bowl.

Considering these accolades, it is no doubt fitting that Williams' name joined that of James "Shack" Harris inside Eddie G. Robinson Memorial Stadium. Harris, another decorated quarterback at Grambling, was also a trailblazer in the NFL. In his rookie season with the Bills, Harris became the first Black player to start a season at quarterback in the history of pro football. Though Williams and Harris did not overlap at GSU, the two forged a great friendship and talk almost every day.

"The last 15-20 years, we've become pretty inseparable," Williams said. "We talked about stuff that not everybody had experienced, and I think that's what made the bond so tight. And we started the Black College Football Hall of Fame, so we've done all that stuff together."

Both players explored other opportunities in football once hanging up their cleats. Williams pursued a career in coaching and found his way back to the campus in Louisiana that meant so much to him. The former quarterback had two stints as head coach of the Tigers from 1998-2003 and 2011-2013. Current Commander Trent Scott had the unique experience of playing under Williams. The offensive tackle said Williams had a "pivotal" influence on him and saw the larger impact William made at Grambling State. "You knew you had a legend walking around campus, but he was still a humble guy, just looked out for everybody. His office was always open to us," Scott said. "I'm excited for him [to have his name on the field], because I was there and got to see how much he loved that school and that program."

The love for and from GSU has always manifested in a larger-than-life way at the several homecoming weekends Williams has been a part of as both a player and a coach. All the memories he has of reconnecting with other Tigers are just as sweet as winning in a packed house are

"I love going down and seeing a lot of guys that come back, a lot of them with their kids, and I get to bear hug them," Williams said with a smile. "You realize you might have helped some young men."

Countless numbers of people Williams has affected in some way were present this weekend inside the stadium when he and James Harris are honored. As for the place and the company, the moment for Williams during the game was unbeatable.

"I think it says something significant when they decide to put your name on the field," Williams said. "As a player and as a coach, that's not something that you go out looking for ... It's an opportunity to leave something for your family, for a legacy."

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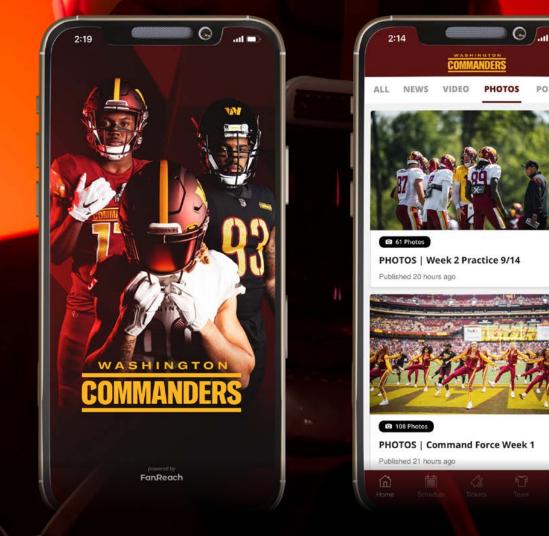


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LOOKING BACK ON WASHINGTON'S OVERTIME LOSS TO PHILADELPHIA

By Zach Selby

It all came down to a toe, or rather, an arm.

The Washington Commanders faced third-and-5 at their own 30-yard line in overtime against the Philadelphia Eagles. Sam Howell, recognizing that the Eagles were in man coverage, aired out a pass to Terry McLaurin near the left sideline. A catch would have put the Commanders in Eagles territory.

McLaurin managed to get one foot down easily enough. On the second step, he landed on Reed Blankenship's arm, resulting in what was called an incompletion on the field.

The refs huddled to review the play. Ultimately, they deemed there were not enough to overturn the call. Washington punted the ball away, and 10 plays later the Eagles kicked a 54-yard field goal to claim the 34-31 victory.

Head coach Ron Rivera shared his disappointment after the game.

"That's a hell of a football team we played out there," Rivera said. "But I think we have a hell of a football team in this locker room."

Washington's performance during its first division matchup of the year was a stark contrast to what it put on the field in Week 3.

Against the Buffalo Bills, Washington could barely put together a series of plays, let alone get itself in scoring position. The story was much different against the Eagles; the Commanders hung with one of the most efficient offenses in the league, scoring 30-plus points for the second time in three weeks.

Much of that is a credit to the bounce back Howell had after what was undoubtedly the worst performance of his career so far. Unlike against the Bills, Howell was efficient with the ball, completing 71% of his passes for 290 yards and a touchdown. The offense moved down the field with ease at times, particularly on the opening drive. Washington put together a 14-play, 75-yard drive that took seven minutes off the clock, and capped things off with a one-yard score by Curtis Samuel.

Also unlike Week 3, the bounces literally seemed to be going Washington's way. After the Eagles responded with a score from D'Andre Swift, who finished with 56 yards on four carries, Washington moved down to the Eagles' 1-yard line with help from an unnecessary roughness penalty on Terrell Edmunds. Brian Robinson Jr. fumbled the ball into the end zone, and McLaurin was there to fall on it and give Washington a 14-7 lead.

After the two teams exchanged field goals to close out the second quarter, it was 17-10 at halftime with Washington in good position to pull out an upset.

The offense stalled in the third quarter, though, and it was the minor details that ended up costing them. An example, on third-and-4, Jahan Dotson had an uncharacteristic drop as the ball slipped through his hands. It forced the Commanders to punt the ball back to the Eagles, who had already cut into the Commanders' lead with a 47-yard field goal to open the second half.

Philadelphia scored 10 points on their next two drives, which saw heavy doses of AJ Brown, who finished the day with nine catches for 175 yards and two scores. It was a tough lesson for rookie Emmanuel Forbes Jr., who was lined up on Brown for most of the game. Forbes had his moments, but they were far too infrequent as Brown managed to get behind him.

"The young man had a rough day," Rivera said of Forbes. "Hopefully, he learns. He's a young guy. Experience is a tough teacher. But that's the kind of stuff he needs."

Washington managed to tie the score with a 15-yard run by Robinson, only for the Eagles to respond with a 28-yard touchdown from Brown with 1:43 left on the clock. Washington had to work fast with only one timeout on the clock, and with some help from back-to-back receptions by McLaurin, the offense moved to the Eagles' 10-yard line with one second left. Howell fired a pass to Dotson, who made the catch in the end zone to tie the score at the end of regulation.

But after the three-and-out by Washington, and the less-than-ideal 29-yard punt from Tress Way, all the Eagles needed to do was bleed the clock and move into field goal range. A nine-yard pass from Jalen Hurts to DeVonta Smith was enough to put the Eagles at the Commanders' 36-yard line, setting up the 54-yard game-winning kick from Jake Elliott.





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TRESS WAY AND ATLANTA PUNTER BRADLEY PINION WERE ON-FIELD FOES BUT TEAMMATES IN FIGHTING POVERTY

By Hannah Lichtenstein

Washington Commanders punter Tress Way faced off against Atlanta punter Bradley Pinion on Oct. 15, but throughout this season, the two players are on the same team helping a cause bigger than football.

"Something that's so special about Punts for Purpose is that it started with the punters," said Ashleigh Alcorn, manager of pro athlete partnerships at Compassion International. "Bradley started recruiting punters to join. Tress has been a part of it since the beginning, and it's in their hearts to use the platform God has given them to give a voice to the voiceless."

The Punts for Purpose initiative has simple parameters, but its impact is huge. Every time Pinion and Way hit a punt that lands inside the 20-yard line this season, the two committed to give \$1,000 to aid organization Compassion International to help fight poverty.

Way and Pinion combined for nine punts that afternoon, meaning Compassion International received \$9,000.

Donations from punts will be used toward funding 500 child survival centers, which will help moms and babies in poverty receive proper prenatal care, nutritious food, clean water, education, access to medical care, a birth assistant during childbirth, and a community of spiritual and emotional support. In just two years' time, these centers could save the lives of 25,000 mothers and 25,000 babies.

Way first learned about the plan for Punts for Purpose last winter when he and his wife Brianna attended The Increase conference with Pro Athletes Outreach. A number of organizations and foundations had a presence at the event, and Pinion, who Way considers a great friend and a "phenomenal dude," shared his story working with Compassion International. The Atlanta punter's words really struck a chord with Way.

"When he said, 'Punts for Purpose' and he and I spoke about it and we got to talk to the team with Compassion, it was just a slam dunk," Way explained. "As a punter, I'm honored to be a part of this. A lot of people say, 'I'll throw my hand in,' and I say, 'I'll throw my foot in on this one.'"

At the core of Compassion's mission is an issue that has long tugged at Way. During his time at Oklahoma, the punter had the chance to travel to Haiti on two occasions and had his eyes opened to many of the ravages of poverty and in particular, its effects on children. Now with three kids of his own, Compassion's efforts resonate with him in a whole different way. "It's definitely the kid factor," Way said. "I look at my kids and you just see the potential for their lives. Whenever you see kids their age in poverty that were just born in an area, born in a time, born in a situation out of their control, it's a gut punch."

According to Compassion International, one million babies in the developing world die on their first birthday every year -- that's nearly the same number of fans who will see a Commanders game in person this season. Both babies and mothers living in poverty die at an alarming rate, often by preventable causes. Compassion looks to link arms with these moms and provide critical support and resources. With that in mind, the pledges of Way and Pinion are set to make a monumental difference.

"These incredible athletes are taking something that's not often thought of as a positive -- a punt -and turning it into life-saving care for some of the most vulnerable in the world," Alcorn said.

"Punts for Purpose is such a cool initiative, and I'm just thankful to be invited and thankful that there's people like Brad in the league and organizations like Compassion that are willing to bring outsiders in to help with anything that they can," Way said.

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HISPANIC HERITAGE NIGHT HONORS AND CELEBRATES HISPANIC TRADITION AND LEADERS

By Kyra Benzing-Plourde

During the Washington Commanders' 2023 Hispanic Heritage Night, culture and celebration coincided for an extraordinary evening that honored local businesses and young Hispanic leaders.

Before fans found their seats at Thursday night's primetime game against the Chicago Bears, they had the opportunity to visit local Hispanic vendors' pop-up shops. The event not only honored Hispanic and Latino business owners who have planted their roots in the DMV area but spread messaging on the Commanders' unification with initiatives recognizing Hispanic heritage.

The market was hosted in Legends Plaza, where the space was filled with numerous items for sale, from jewelry to food to homemade candles. Materials were locally sourced and handcrafted with care and immaculate attention to detail, while simultaneously telling a story that honored Hispanic heritage.

Josue Martinez, the founder and artist behind Corinto Gallery, was one of the vendors featured in the pregame market. Throughout Martinez's transition to the United States, he has found comfort in his artwork and has since made it an



essential aspect of his life and livelihood.

"I was born in El Salvador and moved to Maryland when I was 10, so I've been here most of my life," Martinez said. "I've been doing artwork and t-shirt designs and selling things here and there until I opened my first store in Adams Morgan."

Martinez's artwork has allowed him to connect El Salvador and Washington, D.C. in various designs. In one of his signature prints and most known pieces is a picture of George Washington with a bandana marked with the D.C. flag across his mouth.

"One of the first designs was made around the lack of D.C. statehood," Martinez said. "The mayor has actually worn that shirt, which is a big statement; she calls it the statehood shirt. DC doesn't have a voice, but DC needs a voice. Washington has a bandana over his mouth and can't speak, just like this city can't speak."

Martinez's designs are visions that connect with people throughout the DMV area, and he, too, has had the chance to connect back with the area and bridge D.C. sports with Hispanic heritage.

"I watched the [Commanders] growing up," Martinez said. "My father was a huge fan, and we had season tickets at one time. I gave them to my dad, and it became one of those thing. It's just always been Burgundy & Gold. Growing up with this is important. And being here [at La Plaza Hispana] is a huge deal. I mean, we're beyond honored to be here."

Additionally, it was an honor for the Commanders to be able to host an event that welcomes different cultures and backgrounds.

Gabriela Torrico, the artist and founder behind Inti Phaxsi Gems, felt excited to tie together culture and sports in the nation's capital.

"I support all of the DC sports," Torrico said. "It feels so amazing to be here and represent my country and family here."

Hispanic representation in DC sports is a significant way to increase inclusivity and visibility to all members of the team's fanbase.

In addition to the vendors at the game, the Washington Commanders Charitable Foundation recognized two youth football players, Eleny Nava Pineda, and Chris Marin, as nominees for the Hispanic Heritage Foundation Youth Award.

Part of the NFL and the Hispanic Heritage Foundation's year-long partnership to recognize and celebrate Hispanic and Latino excellence in and around the NFL Community, the annual honor award is bestowed on two standout students for their athletic and academic excellence.

Pineda and Marin were honored during the third quarter of the Commanders' game against the Bears, as they were recognized for their significant

accomplishments and received a round of applause from FedExField.

Pineda is a senior at Benjamin Banneker Academy High School and began playing flag football when she entered high school to stay in shape for her primary sport, soccer.



"I thought I wasn't gonna understand the game and be able to compete because I'd never played football," Pineda said. "And then one day, on my way to class, my coach stopped and told me that the NFL nominated me for the Hispanic Heritage Award. And then I thought, 'How can I go to class and think of anything other than this? How is it possible that I got here when I started with not knowing anything?'"

Pineda pondered how she ended up with that honor. Still, her talent on the field, academic excellence, and overall leadership are all qualities that set her aside as a fantastic role model. Awarded alongside Pineda was Chris Marin, a senior at Mount Vernon High School who ranks as an All-Region punter.

Marin has also been a leader on and off the field. In addition to his extracurricular activity on the football field, he photographs girls' and boys' sports at his high school.

"It felt surreal to walk out onto the field," Marin said of his Thursday night experience. "From where I was sitting, the stadium didn't look as big, but when I walked out there, it felt amazing to just look out at everyone's faces in the crowd."

Marin's chance to walk onto an NFL field paired well with the fact that the next day, he competed in his high school football team's homecoming game and won 56-0.

The two young athletes nominated for the NFL's Young Hispanic Heritage Award signal an essential branch for Hispanic and Latino communities to be represented and celebrated within significant league sports.

Between the ten local vendors at the game and the two young Hispanic athletes, the game was filled with traditions and sentiments on inclusion in sports.



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WHY NOT THIS CAUSE?': CHARLES LENO JR. ADVOCATES FOR GIRLS IN FOOTBALL WITH FREE CLINIC

By Kyra Benzing-Plourde

Left tackle Charles Leno Jr. ran a free flag football camp for girls aged 7-14 on Oct. 7 at OrthoVirginia Training Center with the goal of promoting opportunities for girls in football. No matter their experience level, the campers, which came from all around the DMV area, were welcomed into the environment and left with increased confidence and knowledge of the sport.

"I just want them to walk away confidently knowing that women can play football, too," Leno said. "This is not a game that has to be segregated to only men. They're starting to open avenues for women to play football, get scholarships, and create leagues in flag football or tackle football. So, I just want to make sure these girls can have the confidence to do those things and understand that they can do it as well."

There's no shortage of important charitable causes that deserve time and dedication. Still, when asked about Leno's choice to focus on women in sports, he says it was his family that brought him to this conclusion.

Alongside his wife and three young daughters, Leno recognizes the importance of what it means for women to have the opportunity to compete, especially in football, where women are historically not given as much access to the game as male players.

"First and foremost, being a father of three girls and playing the sport I play, I really wanted to bring it together," Leno said. "I was talking to my wife about it one time and how I'd never heard of someone doing an all-girls flag football camp. I said, 'I wanna do that. Can we do that?'"

And he did. Girls at the weekend clinic were gifted with energy drinks, Nike bags, headbands, T-shirts, and an incredibly valuable experience. After the camp, four middle school girls sat down and talked about how they'd never been given a chance like this. Olivia Homles, Nazareth Eerege, Cadence Hollingsworth, and Kayla Spencer said they've spent so much time on the same cheerleading squad, but the opportunity to play football had never come across their radar.

"I don't think I've ever even touched a football before today," Holmes said. "We're all on the same cheerleading team, and we spend a lot of time together, but this is something we haven't gotten the chance to do."

Without the opportunity to compete in football, young girls cannot pursue the opportunities that come with playing the sport and are expected to be okay with that reality.

Hollingsworth, who led her friends to do the camp, felt extremely accomplished and proud after getting to play flag football.

"Now I get to walk into school and tell all the boys that I played football with NFL players," Hollingsworth said. "Like, how cool is that?" Leno was joined by teammates in the running of the camp, bringing together a fun-filled morning of activities, learning, and growth.

Leno emphasized the importance of girls being able to have an interest in football no matter what and that it shouldn't be a male-dominated activity.

"They should be able to be Taylor Swift fans and get the chance to be involved with this sport," Leno said. "It doesn't have to be one or the other."

The chance for girls to have various interests and passions is critical. Leno's football camp allowed girls to play and enjoy football and meet other young girls along the way.

And at the end of the day, it served as a reminder that football can be a fun activity and doesn't need to be all about pressure.

"This is for sure a much-needed moment of joy for me," Leno said. "We just came off a really tough game. But at the end of the day, I'm a human being, and I want to give back to my community. And this does put a smile on my face after a tough week."

Even though football is now a livelihood for Leno, it all began when it was just a sport he enjoyed playing for fun growing up. The ability to return to those roots and share the passion for football with young girls is an incredible light for Leno and his family.











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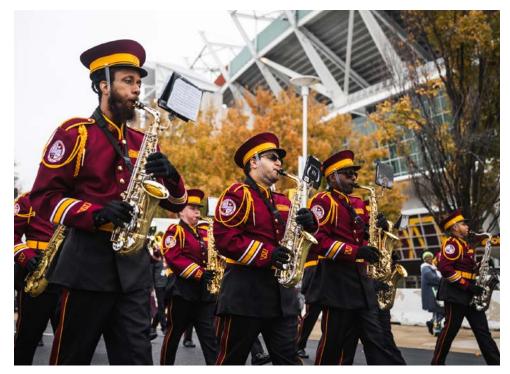


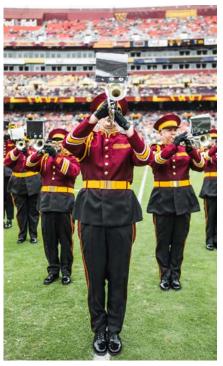
















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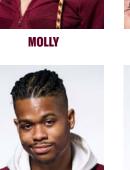
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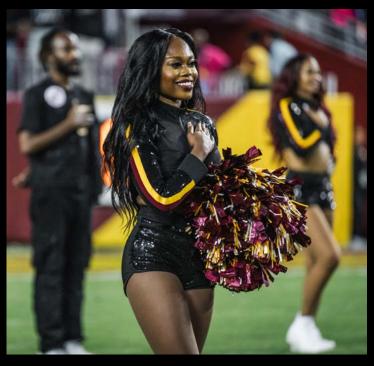
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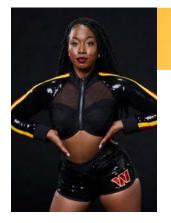


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After retiring from the NFL, I become a Wizard Girl for the NBA's Washington Wizards for three seasons. In the middle of my third season, I took on the role as the In-Arena Host for the Wizards and WNBA's Washington Mystics for four years. I was also the In Game Host for the AFL's Baltimore Brigade and In-Match Host for the NWSL's Washington Spirit.

But I finally made it back home to FedExField in 2019 as the In-Game Host for the Burgundy & Gold!

In addition to sports hosting, I have been in the entertainment and broadcasting industry for over two decades, and it is an honor to now be the prime-time evening anchor of WTVR CBS in Richmond, VA, my hometown. Before moving back home, I was a freelance anchor, reporter and producer for Prince George's County CTV-News. I have also hosted other shows such as "SchoolScene" in Fairfax and Montgomery Counties and "The Sound" of Washington DC. I was also the host of "Operation Rising Star", the United States Army Morale, Welfare and Recreation's annual singing competition for service members and their families for 10 years.

I founded two businesses. Sideline Prep provides individual counseling to young women and men auditioning for professional dance and cheerleading teams. I'm also the owner and lead consultant for GS Consulting & Communications, Inc., which is a BPR (Business Process Reengineering), quality and process improvement company.

And as if that isn't enough, I'm Aunt Nienne to three nieces, two nephews, and seven godchildren.

I would love to connect. Be sure to say Hi or "Hail Yeah" at a Commanders event or on gameday, and please connect with me at GeNienneSamuels on Facebook, X @GeNienneWithaG, or GeNienneWithaG on Instagram.



DJ PREMONITION

DJ Premonition is a 20+ year staple in the DMV area with his energetic mixing style and creative music curation. After getting his start while attending Howard University, DJ Premonition elevated his craft in DC night clubs while also expanding his client base by performing for numerous corporate brands. He became the Washington Commanders GameDay DJ in the 2018 season. He was honored to be selected to represent the NFC DJs in the 2022 NFL Pro Bowl. He also performed as one of the main stage DJ's for the NFL Draft in 2022 (Las Vegas) and 2023 (Kansas City).

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MARK FRATTO

Mark Fratto has been a live sports announcer for 20 years with more than 3,000 live events, sports promos and commercial spots under his belt.

Fratto's experience behind the microphone includes serving as a public address announcer at Capital One Arena for the Washington Wizards, at Madison Square Garden for New York Knicks, college basketball and New York Liberty games, at Yankee Stadium for New York City FC Major League Soccer contests, at Pocono Raceway for NASCAR, at MetLife Stadium in the 2018 preseason for the New York Football Giants, at the Westchester County Center for Westchester Knicks NBA Development League games, at MCU Park in Coney Island for Brooklyn Cyclones Baseball and Brooklyn Bolts Football, at Rutgers University for Sky Blue FC women's professional soccer, and as the announcer for a variety of NCAA Division I intercollegiate contests at the University of Maryland, St. John's University and for a number of other colleges, universities and professional teams.

In 2019, Fratto began announcing Army Football at Michie Stadium and served as the announcer for the historic 2020 Army-Navy game. Fratto has been one of the voices of the popular NBA2K video game for the past three editions.

Fratto was a NCAA National Champion as part of Maryland Basketball's back-to-back Final Four runs in 2001 and 2002, and he served as the lead communications director during the Terrapins' 2004 ACC Title Season. As an announcer, Fratto has a 2021 MLS Championship ring with New York City FC and a 2019 New York-Penn League title with the Brooklyn Cyclones. Fratto was tabbed by the National Basketball Association to announce the 2015 NBA Development League All-Star game, slam dunk contest and 3-point shootout, as well as the FDNY-NYPD-NBA Legends charity game at Barclays Center as part of NBA All-Star Weekend in New York City. He returned to his 13th NCAA Final Four in Houston in April 2023, where he again served as news conference moderator.

Fratto was cast as the MMA main event announcer in the Halle Berry movie "Bruised" and has served as ring announcer for boxing events at Madison Square Garden; The Hard Rock, the Monte Carlo and Thomas and Mack Center in Las Vegas; Boardwalk Hall, the Ocean Resort and the Showboat in Atlantic City; Encore Boston Harbor, House of Blues Boston and MGM Springfield, Mass.; Mohegan Sun and Foxwoods in New England; MGM National Harbor, the Washington D.C. Armory and the ESA in Our Nation's Capital; Turning Stone Resort in Verona, N.Y.; Fantasy Springs Resort and the Pechanga Resort and Casino in Southern Cal; New York City's Hammerstein Ballroom, Webster Hall, B.B. King's Blues Club and Grill and SONY Hall; the 2300 Arena, the Met and Sugar House Casino in Philadelphia; and Wild Horse Pass Casino in Chandler, Arizona, among others.

He has announced for Golden Boy Promotions, Matchroom Boxing, Mayweather Promotions, DiBella Entertainment, K2 Promotions, GGG Promotions, Roy Jones Jr. Promotions, Evander Holyfield's Real Deal Promotions, King's Promotions, Joe DeGuardia's Star Boxing, Murphy's Boxing, Salita Promotions, Hard-Hitting Promotions, Hitz Boxing, Rising Star Promotions, Uprising Promotions, Petra Nemcova's Happy Hearts Fund, the NYPD and FDNY and has called fights on HBO, HBO PPV, Showtime, HBO Latino, ESPN, ESPN2, ESPN Deportes, CBS Sports Network, MSG Network, Facebook and Ring TV.

He has been behind the mic for cards and events featuring Roy Jones Jr., Saul "Canelo" Alvarez, Bernard Hopkins, Gennady "GGG" Golovkin, Miguel Cotto, Gervonta Davis, Ryan Garcia, Michael Buffer, Jimmy Lennon Jr., "The Miracle Man" Daniel Jacobs, Jaime Munguia, Luis "King Kong" Ortiz and Amir "King" Khan, just to name a few.

Fratto - who was a collegiate athletics administrator in the communications departments of St. John's University and the University of Maryland for 15 years from 1999 to 2014 - founded Linacre Media, a full-service digital/ social media, production services and public relations consulting firm, in the Fall of 2014. Linacre Media is an official broadcast partner of the NBA and serves as the primary production partner for the Westchester Knicks of the NBA G League, in addition to packaging numerous other pro/college/high school athletics events for platforms like ESPNU. CBS Sports Network. the Madison Square Garden Network, Comcast Sports Networks, Facebook and Facebook FIGHTNIGHT LIVE, ESPN+, ESPN3 and the Campus Insiders Network/ Stadium. Linacre Media has produced events for the NBA, the BIG EAST Conference, Nike, Jordan Brand, Army, Navy, the American Athletic Conference, the Atlantic 10 Conference, the Ivy League, the Patriot League, the Northeast Conference, the Metro Atlantic Athletic Conference, professional boxing and MMA promoters, the ABA, the FXFL, St. John's University and the CUNYAC.

Fratto lives in Edgewater, MD, with his wife Kristin and their sons, Jackson and Mason.



MARK WRIGHT

Now in my 52nd season as field manager, my primary responsibility is to ensure the entertainment elements – team intros, performers, honorees, and equipment - are safely in place while also starting and finishing on time. Over the years this has involved working with A-list celebrities, elephants, fire trucks, dinosaurs, helicopters, and Frisbee catching dogs. But as a fan my favorite games are when I get to work with Washington legends, our alumni. I was born into Washington football. My father worked with the marching band for 50 years, first as a drum major and later becoming the band and entertainment manager. I was honored to work by his side for 17 years and took over as field manager when he retired in 1988. The family tradition continues for a 3rd generation as my son, Todd, is now in his 18th year working by my side as a field manager.

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CHARLIE JUSTICE RUNNING BACK, 1950, 1952-54

DEXTER MANLEY DEFENSIVE END, 1981-89

BRIAN MITCHELL RUNNING BACK, 1990-99

RICHIE PETITBON SAFETY, 1971-72, DEF. COORD., 1978-92 / HEAD COACH, 1993

> CHRIS SAMUELS TACKLE, 2000-09

JOE THEISMANN QUARTERBACK, 1974-85 CLIFF BATTLES RUNNING BACK, 1932-37

JEFF BOSTIC CENTER, 1980-1993

GARY CLARK WIDE RECEIVER, 1985-92

BILL DUDLEY RUNNING BACK, 1950-51, 1953

DARRELL GREEN CORNERBACK, 1983-2002

> LEN HAUSS CENTER, 1964-77

JOE JACOBY TACKLE/GUARD, 1981-1993

BILLY KILMER QUARTERBACK, 1971-78

CHARLES MANN DEFENSIVE END, 1983-93

ART MONK WIDE RECEIVER, 1980-1993

GUARD, 1960-70

JERRY SMITH TIGHT END, 1965-77

LAMAR "BUBBA" TYER HEAD ATHLETIC TRAINER, 1971-2002, 2004-08 **SAMMY BAUGH** QUARTERBACK, 1937-52

GENE BRITO DEFENSIVE END, 1951-53, 1955-58

> **MONTE COLEMAN** LINEBACKER, 1979-94

PAT FISCHER CORNERBACK, 1968-77

GUARD, 1981-91

PHIL HOCHBERG P.A. ANNOUNCER, 1963-2000

> DICK JAMES RUNNING BACK, 1956-63

EDDIE LEBARON QUARTERBACK, 1952-53, 1955-59

END, 1936-41, 1945

MARK MOSELEY KICKER, 1974-86

JOHN RIGGINS RUNNING BACK, 1976-79, 1981-85

> CHARLEY TAYLOR WIDE RECEIVER, 1964-77

DOUG WILLIAMS QUARTERBACK, 1986-89

MIKE BASS CORNERBACK, 1969-75

LARRY BROWN RUNNING BACK, 1969-76

JACK KENT COOKE OWNER, 1961-97

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CHRIS HANBURGER LINEBACKER, 1965-78

> KEN HOUSTON SAFETY, 1973-80

SONNY JURGENSEN QUARTERBACK, 1964-74

VINCE LOMBARDI HEAD COACH, 1969

BOBBY MITCHELL FLANKER, 1962-68

BRIG OWENS DEFENSIVE BACK, 1966-77

MARK RYPIEN QUARTERBACK, 1986-1993

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	3	Eddie Brown	111	1,150		10.4	
LEADERS	4	Rickie Harris	119	1,005		8.4	
	5	Brandon Banks	100	937		9.4	
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CAREER KICKOFF	1	Brian Mitchell	421	9,586		22.8	
	2	Rock Cartwright	222	5,332		24.0	
RETURN LEADERS	3	Mike Nelms	175	4,128		23.6	
	4	Dick James	155	3,949		25.5	
	5	Brandon Banks	119	2,856		24.0	
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	2	Brig Owens	36	686		3	
	3	Sammy Baugh	31	491		0	
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