



HOUSTON TEXANS

2016 NFL DRAFT NOTES

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HOUSTON TEXANS 2016 DRAFT PICKS

Rd	Pick	Ovl	Player	Pos	HT	WT	School
1	21	21	Will Fuller	WR	6-0	186	Notre Dame
2	19	50	Nick Martin	C	6-4	299	Notre Dame
3	22	85	Braxton Miller	WR	6-1	201	Ohio State
4	21	119	Tyler Ervin	RB	5-10	192	San Jose St.
5	20	159	K.J. Dillon	S	6-0	210	West Virginia
5	27	166	D.J. Reader	NT	6-3	327	Clemson

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Below is a look at the Texans' draft selections by position and round in the NFL Draft since 2002, not including the Supplemental Draft:

Pos.	Draft Round							Total
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	
QB	1		1	1	1	1	2	7
RB		1	2	3	1	3	1	11
WR	3	1	4	2	1	2	2	15
TE		1	1	3	1	1	1	8
OT	1	1	4		1	2	1	10
OG		1	2			2		5
C/LS		1	1	1	1		1	5
DE	3	1	1	1		1	2	9
DT	2		3		2	4	1	12
LB	3	3	1	3		2	3	15
CB	3	1	1	3	1	3	1	13
S		1		1	4	3	3	12
K/P					1			1
Total	16	12	21	18	14	24	18	123

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TEXANS TRADE UP TO TAKE WR WILL FULLER

The Houston Texans traded up one spot in the first round with the Washington Redskins to select Notre Dame WR **Will Fuller** with the 21st overall pick of the 2016 NFL Draft. It marked the first time in franchise history that the Texans traded their first-round pick to move up.

WILL FULLER IS...

- The third wide receiver selected in the first round in franchise history and the first since DeAndre Hopkins in 2013
- The 16th overall first-round selection in franchise history
- The 14th wide receiver selected by the Texans, which is the second-most drafted position in team history
- First wide receiver selected by the Texans since the team drafted Jaelen Strong and Keith Mumphery in the third and fifth rounds, respectively, in 2015
- The fifth offensive player selected in the first round in team history
- The fourth player drafted by the Texans from Notre Dame, which ties for the second-most from any college in team history
- The 12th player on the Texans current roster selected in the first round
- The first wide receiver selected 21st overall since Matt Jones (Jacksonville) in 2005

WILL FULLER NOTRE DAME CAREER HIGHLIGHTS

- Recorded 144 receptions for 2,512 yards and 30 touchdowns in three years at Notre Dame
- Finished second to Michael Floyd (37) for the most receiving touchdowns in school history
- Averaged 17.4 yards per reception and 64.4 yards per game
- Posted back-to-back 1,000-yard receiving seasons in 2014 and 2015
- In 2015, named a second-team All-American by the Associated Press after setting a career-high with 1,258 receiving yards and tying for fifth in the nation with 14 receiving touchdowns
- In 2014, posted career highs with 76 receptions and 15 receiving touchdowns. His touchdown total ranked third in the nation
- Named Notre Dame's Offensive Player of the Year in 2014

NO. 21 OVERALL SINCE 2006

Below is a look at who has been drafted with the 21st overall selection in the first round since 2006:

#21 OVERALL:

Year	Player	Pos	College	Team
2016	Will Fuller	WR	Notre Dame	Houston Texans
2015	Cedric Ogbuehi	T	Texas A&M	Cincinnati Bengals
2014	Ha Ha Clinton-Dix	S	Alabama	Green Bay Packers
2013	Tyler Eifert	TE	Notre Dame	Cincinnati Bengals
2012	Chandler Jones	DE	Syracuse	New England Patriots
2011	Phil Taylor	DT	Baylor	Cleveland Browns
2010	Jermaine Gresham	TE	Oklahoma	Cincinnati Bengals
2009	Alex Mack	C	California	Cleveland Browns
2008	Sam Baker	T	USC	Atlanta Falcons
2007	Reggie Nelson	S	Florida	Jacksonville Jaguars
2006	Laurence Maroney	RB	Minnesota	New England Patriots

TEXANS TRADE UP AGAIN AND SELECT C NICK MARTIN

The Houston Texans traded up for their second straight pick when they moved up two spots to No. 50 overall in the second round to select Notre Dame C **Nick Martin**. The trade was with the Atlanta Falcons. The pick marked the first time since 2003 that the Texans selected offensive players in each of the first two rounds.

NICK MARTIN IS...

- The earliest center selected in franchise history. Previous record was the third round in 2002 (Fred Weary)
- The fourth center selected in team history and the first since Ben Jones in 2012 (fourth round, 99th overall)
- The 12th overall second-round selection in franchise history
- The fifth player from Notre Dame drafted by the Texans, the second-most of any school in team history
- The sixth offensive player selected in the second round in team history
- The sixth player on the Texans current roster selected in the second round
- The first center selected 50th overall since Bruce Nelson (Carolina) in 2003

NICK MARTIN NOTRE DAME CAREER HIGHLIGHTS

- Played in 50 games with 37 starts in his career at Notre Dame (2011-15)
- Started 26 consecutive games from 2014-15 and was named a team captain in each of those two years
- Named to the Rimington Trophy (2014-15) and Lombardi Award (2014) watch lists
- In 2015, started all 13 games and helped establish a running game that rushed for 207.6 yards per game, the highest mark for Notre Dame since 1998
- In 2014, started all 13 games, including three at center and 10 at left guard
- In 2013, started each of the first 11 games before missing the rest of the season due to injury. Played on same offensive line with older brother, offensive tackle and captain Zack Martin, who is now a member of the Dallas Cowboys

NO. 50 OVERALL SINCE 2006

Below is a look at who has been drafted with the 50th overall selection in the first round since 2006:

#50 OVERALL:

Year	Player	Pos	College	Team
2016	Nick Martin	C	Notre Dame	Houston Texans
2015	Ronald Darby	CB	Florida State	Buffalo Bills
2014	Jerry Attaochu	LB	Georgia Tech	San Diego Chargers
2013	Jonathan Bostic	LB	Florida	Chicago Bears
2012	Isaiah Pead	RB	Cincinnati	St. Louis Rams
2011	Marcus Gilchrist	CB	Clemson	San Diego Chargers
2010	Javier Arenas	CB	Alabama	Kansas City Chiefs
2009	Mohamed Massaquoi	WR	Georgia	Cleveland Browns
2008	Calais Campbell	DE	Miami (FL)	Arizona Cardinals
2007	Chris Henry	RB	Arizona	Tennessee Titans
2006	Marcus McNeill	T	Auburn	San Diego Chargers

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TEXANS TAKE ANOTHER WR IN BRAXTON MILLER

The Houston Texans took their second wide receiver of the draft when they selected WR **Braxton Miller** in the third round. The pick marked the first time since 2002 that the Texans selected offensive players with each of their first three picks.

BRAXTON MILLER IS...

- The fourth wide receiver taken in the third round by the Texans and the first since Jaelen Strong in 2015
- The 15th wide receiver selected in team history and the second of this year's draft (Will Fuller, 21st overall)
- The 21st overall third-round selection in franchise history
- The third player from Ohio State drafted by the Texans and the first since WR DeVier Posey in 2012
- The 15th offensive player selected in the third round in team history
- The fifth player on the Texans current roster selected in the third round
- The first wide receiver selected 85th overall since Ramses Barden (New York Giants) in 2009

BRAXTON MILLER OHIO STATE CAREER HIGHLIGHTS

- After missing 20 months of activity while recovering from a shoulder injury and two surgeries, switched positions to receiver/H-Back and earned honorable mention all-Big Ten honors after catching 26 passes for 341 yards and three touchdowns plus rushing for 281 yards and another score in 2015
- A two-time winner of the *Chicago Tribune's* Silver Football Award as the best player in the Big Ten (as quarterback)
- Holds the school record with 88 touchdowns responsible for while also finishing among the school's greats with 8,609 yards of total offense (second at Ohio State), 3,314 rushing yards (No. 6) and 33 rushing touchdowns, 5,295 yards passing (No. 8) and 52 touchdowns (No. 4)
- Has the most individual awards in Big Ten history with seven, including two offensive player and quarterback of the year awards, plus a freshman of the year honor

NO. 85 OVERALL SINCE 2006

#85 OVERALL:

Year	Player	Pos	College	Team
2016	Braxton Miller	WR	Ohio State	Houston Texans
2015	Tyler Kroft	TE	Rutgers	Cincinnati Bengals
2014	Khyri Thornton	DE	Southern Miss	Green Bay Packers
2013	Jordan Reed	TE	Florida	Washington Redskins
2012	Bill Bentley	CB	Louisiana-Lafayette	Detroit Lions
2011	Jah Reid	T	UCF	Baltimore Ravens
2010	Colt McCoy	QB	Texas	Cleveland Browns
2009	Ramses Barden	WR	Cal Poly	New York Giants
2008	Craig Stevens	TE	California	Tennessee Titans
2007	Brandon Mebane	DT	California	Seattle Seahawks
2006	Brodie Croyle	QB	Alabama	Kansas City Chiefs

TEXANS DRAFT 4TH STRAIGHT OFFENSIVE PLAYER

The Houston Texans selected their fourth straight offensive player in the draft when they took RB **Tyler Ervin** in the fourth round (119th overall) out of San Jose State University.

TYLER ERVIN IS...

- The third running back taken in the fourth round by the Texans and the first since Domanick Williams in 2003
- The 11th running back selected in team history and the fourth in the past three drafts (2015 - Kenny Hilliard, 2014 - Alfred Blue, Jay Prosch)
- The 18th overall fourth-round selection in franchise history
- The second player from San Jose State drafted by the Texans, joining T David Quessenberry (2013)
- The 10th offensive player selected in the fourth round in team history
- The sixth player on the Texans current roster selected in the fourth round
- The first running back selected 119th overall since Delone Carter (Indianapolis) in 2011

TYLER ERVIN SAN JOSE STATE CAREER HIGHLIGHTS

- Spent five seasons with the Spartans (2011-15) and played in 47 games, making 24 starts
- San José State career record holder for all-purpose yardage (6,146), kickoff return yardage (2,374), kickoffs returned (101), kickoff returns for a touchdown (3) and combined punt and kickoffs returned for touchdowns (5), most touchdowns of 80 yards or more (6) and most touchdowns of 70 yards or more (8)
- Shares the school single-season record for kickoff returns for a TD (2)
- Second on the school's list for career rushing yardage (2,803)
- 10 games of 100 or more rushing yards
- Received Athlon Sports Second-Team All-America, SI.com honorable mention All-America and two all-conference honors during his career
- Played running back, slot receiver, return specialist, cornerback and special teams defender for the Spartans
- Has scored touchdowns rushing, receiving, on kickoff returns and punt returns during his college career
- Honored in 2012 and 2015 on National Student-Athlete Day by the National Consortium for Academics & Sports

NO. 119 OVERALL SINCE 2006

#119 OVERALL:

Year	Player	Pos	College	Team
2016	Tyler Ervin	RB	San Jose State	Houston Texans
2015	Andrew Donnal	T	Iowa	St. Louis Rams
2014	Anthony Hitchens	LB	Iowa	Dallas Cowboys
2013	Phillip Thomas	S	Fresno State	Washington Redskins
2012	Keenan Robinson	LB	Texas	Washington Redskins
2011	Delone Carter	RB	Syracuse	Indianapolis Colts
2010	A.J. Edds	LB	Iowa	Miami Dolphins
2009	D.J. Moore	CB	Vanderbilt	Chicago Bears
2008	Jack Williams	CB	Kent State	Denver Broncos
2007	Allen Barbre	T	Missouri Southern St	Green Bay Packers
2006	Brandon Marshall	WR	UCF	Denver Broncos

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TEXANS SELECT S K.J. DILLON IN 5TH ROUND

The Houston Texans took their first defensive player of the draft when they selected S **K.J. Dillon** with the first of their two picks in the fifth round (159th overall).

K.J. DILLON IS...

- The fourth safety taken in the fifth round by the Texans and the first since Shiloh Keo in 2011
- The 12th wide receiver selected in team history and the first since Lonnie Ballentine in 2014
- The 13th overall fifth-round selection in franchise history
- The second player from West Virginia drafted by the Texans, joining RB Steve Slaton in 2008
- The sixth defensive player selected in the fifth round in team history
- The fourth player on the Texans current roster selected in the fifth round
- The first safety selected 159th overall since C.J. Gaddis (Philadelphia) in 2007

K.J. DILLON WEST VIRGINIA CAREER HIGHLIGHTS

- Played in 48 career games and made 29 starts
- In 2015, finished with 55 tackles, 7.5 for loss, two interceptions and eight pass break-ups, garnering second team All-Big 12 accolades
- Named to 2015 All-Big 12 Conference Second Team by coaches
- In 2014, played in 13 games (12 starts) and was the fourth-leading tackler, finishing with 62 tackles, including 43 unassisted tackles, 0.5 sacks and 7.5 tackles for loss
- Tied for the team lead with three interceptions and seven pass breakups

NO. 159 OVERALL SINCE 2006

#159 OVERALL:

Year	Player	Pos	College	Team
2016	K.J. Dillon	S	West Virginia	Houston Texans
2015	J.J. Nelson	WR	UAB	Arizona Cardinals
2014	Chris Smith	DE	Arkansas	Jacksonville Jaguars
2013	Micah Hyde	CB	Iowa	Green Bay Packers
2012	Chris Rainey	RB	Florida	Pittsburgh Steelers
2011	Lee Smith	TE	Marshall	New England Patriots
2010	Riley Cooper	WR	Florida	Philadelphia Eagles
2009	Fenuki Tupou	T	Oregon	Philadelphia Eagles
2008	Trae Williams	CB	South Florida	Jacksonville Jaguars
2007	C.J. Gaddis	S	Clemson	Philadelphia Eagles
2006	Mark Anderson	DE	Alabama	Chicago Bears

HOUSTON PICKS DEFENSE AGAIN IN FIFTH ROUND

The Houston Texans closed out the draft with the selection of NT **D.J. Reader** in the fifth round (166th overall) out of San Jose State University. It marked the first time in team history the Texans took two defensive players in the fifth round of a draft.

D.J. READER IS...

- The second defensive tackle taken in the fifth round by the Texans, joining Frank Okam in 2008
- The 12th defensive tackle selected in team history and the fourth in the last four drafts
- The 14th overall fifth-round selection in franchise history
- The second player from Clemson drafted by the Texans, joining WR DeAndre Hopkins (2013)
- The seventh defensive player selected in the fifth round in team history
- The seventh player on the Texans current roster selected in the fifth round
- The first defensive tackle selected 166th overall since Derek Landri (Jacksonville) in 2007

D.J. READER CLEMSON CAREER HIGHLIGHTS

- Longtime backup at defensive tackle who found his way into the starting lineup as a senior
- Finished career with 145 tackles, nine tackles for loss, five sacks and 24 quarterback pressures in 1,087 snaps over 46 games (10 starts) in his career
- Became the second Tiger to letter on top-25 football and baseball teams in one academic year (2012-13) since 1994-95 (Kyle Parker (2009-10) is the other)
- Played in the 2016 Senior Bowl

NO. 166 OVERALL SINCE 2006

#166 OVERALL:

Year	Player	Pos	College	Team
2016	D.J. Reader	NT	Clemson	Houston Texans
2015	Joe Cardona	LB	Navy	New England Patriots
2014	Jonathan Newsome	LB	Ball State	Indianapolis Colts
2013	Caleb Sturgis	K	Florida	Miami Dolphins
2012	Marvin Jones	WR	California	Cincinnati Bengals
2011	Lawrence Wilson	LB	Connecticut	Carolina Panthers
2010	Stevenson Sylvester	LB	Utah	Pittsburgh Steelers
2009	Michael Hamlin	S	Clemson	Dallas Cowboys
2008	Marcus Thomas	RB	UTEP	San Diego Chargers
2007	Derek Landri	DT	Notre Dame	Jacksonville Jaguars
2006	Quinn Sypniewski	TE	Colorado	Baltimore Ravens

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TEXANS GO OFFENSE IN FIRST FOUR ROUNDS

For the first time since 2002, the Texans selected offensive players in each of the first four rounds of the draft. Historically, Houston has drafted mostly defensive players in the first two rounds since 2004. Only six of Houston's 23 first- or second-round picks since 2004 have been on the offensive side of the ball.

HOUSTON TEXANS FIRST- AND SECOND-ROUND DRAFT PICKS, 2004-16

Year	Player	Pos.	Rd.	Pk	College
2016	Nick Martin	C	2	50	Notre Dame
2016	Will Fuller	WR	1	21	Notre Dame
<i>2015</i>	<i>Kevin Johnson</i>	<i>CB</i>	<i>1</i>	<i>16</i>	<i>Wake Forest</i>
<i>2015</i>	<i>Benardrick McKinney</i>	<i>ILB</i>	<i>2</i>	<i>43</i>	<i>Mississippi State</i>
<i>2014</i>	<i>Jadeveon Clowney</i>	<i>OLB</i>	<i>1</i>	<i>1</i>	<i>South Carolina</i>
<i>2014</i>	<i>Xavier Su'a-Filo</i>	<i>G</i>	<i>2</i>	<i>33</i>	<i>UCLA</i>
<i>2013</i>	<i>DeAndre Hopkins</i>	<i>WR</i>	<i>1</i>	<i>27</i>	<i>Clemson</i>
<i>2013</i>	<i>D.J. Swearingen</i>	<i>S</i>	<i>2</i>	<i>57</i>	<i>South Carolina</i>
<i>2012</i>	<i>Whitney Mercilus</i>	<i>OLB</i>	<i>1</i>	<i>26</i>	<i>Illinois</i>
<i>2011</i>	<i>J.J. Watt</i>	<i>DE</i>	<i>1</i>	<i>11</i>	<i>Wisconsin</i>
<i>2011</i>	<i>Brooks Reed</i>	<i>OLB</i>	<i>2</i>	<i>42</i>	<i>Arizona</i>
<i>2011</i>	<i>Brandon Harris</i>	<i>CB</i>	<i>2</i>	<i>60</i>	<i>Miami</i>
<i>2010</i>	<i>Kareem Jackson</i>	<i>CB</i>	<i>1</i>	<i>20</i>	<i>Alabama</i>
<i>2010</i>	<i>Ben Tate</i>	<i>RB</i>	<i>2</i>	<i>58</i>	<i>Auburn</i>
<i>2009</i>	<i>Brian Cushing</i>	<i>LB</i>	<i>1</i>	<i>15</i>	<i>USC</i>
<i>2009</i>	<i>Connor Barwin</i>	<i>DE</i>	<i>2</i>	<i>46</i>	<i>Cincinnati</i>
<i>2008</i>	<i>Duane Brown</i>	<i>T</i>	<i>1</i>	<i>26</i>	<i>Virginia Tech</i>
<i>2007</i>	<i>Amobi Okoye</i>	<i>DT</i>	<i>1</i>	<i>10</i>	<i>Louisville</i>
<i>2006</i>	<i>Mario Williams</i>	<i>DE</i>	<i>1</i>	<i>1</i>	<i>N.C. State</i>
<i>2006</i>	<i>DeMeco Ryans</i>	<i>LB</i>	<i>2</i>	<i>33</i>	<i>Alabama</i>
<i>2005</i>	<i>Travis Johnson</i>	<i>DT</i>	<i>1</i>	<i>16</i>	<i>Florida State</i>
<i>2004</i>	<i>Dunta Robinson</i>	<i>CB</i>	<i>1</i>	<i>10</i>	<i>South Carolina</i>
<i>2004</i>	<i>Jason Babin</i>	<i>LB</i>	<i>1</i>	<i>27</i>	<i>Western Michigan</i>

Defensive players in italics

THE LAST TIME THE TEXANS DRAFTED A...

Pos.	Year	Player, College	Rd.	Overall
QB	2014	Tom Savage, Pittsburgh	4	135
RB	2016	Tyler Ervin, San Jose State	4	119
FB	2014	Jay Prosch, Auburn	6	211
WR	2016	Will Fuller, Notre Dame	1	21
		Braxton Miller, Ohio State	3	85
TE	2014	C.J. Fiedorowicz, Iowa	3	65
C	2016	Nick Martin, Notre Dame	2	50
G	2014	Xavier Su'a-Filo, UCLA	2	33
T	2013	Brennan Williams, North Carolina	3	89
		David Quessenberry, San Jose St.	6	176
S	2016	K.J. Dillon, West Virginia	5	159
CB	2015	Kevin Johnson, Wake Forest	1	16
LB	2015	Benardrick McKinney, Miss. St.	2	43
	2015	Reshard Cliett, South Florida	6	211
DE	2014	Jadeveon Clowney, South Carolina	1	1
	2014	Jeffrey Pagan, Alabama	6	177
DT	2016	D.J. Reader, Clemson	5	166
K	2012	Randy Bullock, Texas A&M	5	161

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TEXANS DRAFT DAY TRADES

The Texans have executed 22 draft day trades. Fifteen of them have been executed by Texans Executive Vice President of Football Operations and General Manager **Rick Smith**. Below is a look at those trades and who was selected with the acquired picks:

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Year	Trade Partner	Gave Up	Received
2016	Atlanta	2nd round (52) 6th round (195)	2nd round (50 - Nick Martin)
2016	Washington	1st round (22) 6th round in 2017	1st round (21 - Will Fuller)
2015	N.Y. Jets	WR DeVier Posey 3rd round (82) 5th round (152) 7th round (229)	3rd round (70 - Jaelen Strong)
2015	Cleveland	2nd round (51) 4th round (116) 6th round (195)	2nd round (43 - Benardrick McKinney) 7th round (229 - traded)
2014	Philadelphia	4th round (101) 5th round (141)	3rd round (83 - Louis Nix III)
2013	Oakland	6th round (184) 7th round (233)	6th round (176 - David Quessenberry)
2013	St. Louis	5th round (160)	6th round (184 - traded) 6th round (198 - Chris Jones)
2012	Tampa Bay	2nd round (58) 7th round (233)	3rd round (68 - DeVier Posey) 4th round (126 - Jared Crick)
2011	Washington	4th round (105) 6th round (178)	4th round (127 - Roc Carmichael) 5th round (144 - Shiloh Keo) 5th round (152 - T.J. Yates)
2011	New England	3rd round (73) 5th round (138)	2nd round (60 - Brandon Harris)
2010	Kansas City	3rd round (93)	4th round (102 - Darryl Sharpton) 5th round (144 - Sherrick McManis)
2010	New England	2nd round (62) 5th round (150)	2nd round (58 - Ben Tate)
2010	Minnesota	2nd round (51)	2nd round (62 - traded) 3rd round (93 - traded)
2008	Baltimore	1st round (18)	1st round (26 - Duane Brown) 3rd round (89 - Steve Slaton) 6th round (173 - Dominique Barber)
2007	New Orleans	4th round (107)	4th round (123 - Fred Bennett) 5th round (163 - Brandon Frye)
2005	New Orleans	1st round (13)	1st round (16 - Travis Johnson) 2006 3rd round (66 - Eric Winston)
2004	Jacksonville	5th round (159)	6th round (175 - Jammal Lord) 7th round (210 - Raheem Orr)
2004	Tennessee	2nd round (40) 3rd round (71) 4th round (103) 5th round (138)	1st round (27 - Jason Babin) 5th round (159 - traded)
2003	Indianapolis	5th round (138)	2004 4th round (122 - Glenn Earl)
2003	Oakland	3rd round (83) 7th round (262)	2004 2nd round (supplemental - Tony Hollings)
2003	New England	2nd round (36) 4th round (117)	2nd round (41 - Bennie Joppru) 3rd round (75 - Seth Wand)
2002	Atlanta	4th round (116)	2003 3rd (88 - Dave Ragone)

Apr. 21, 2002: Traded fourth-round pick in 2002 to Atlanta in exchange for 2003 third-round pick (88th overall-Dave Ragone).

Apr. 26, 2003: Traded second-round pick (36th overall) and fourth-round pick (117th overall) to New England for second-round pick (41st overall-Bennie Joppru) and third-round pick (75th overall-Seth Wand).

Traded third-round pick (83rd overall) and seventh-round pick (262nd overall) to Oakland in exchange for 2004 second-round pick (supplemental draft pick-Tony Hollings).

Apr. 27, 2003: Traded fifth-round pick (138th overall) to Indianapolis for 2004 fourth-round pick (122nd overall-Glenn Earl).

Apr. 24, 2004: Traded second-round pick (40th overall), third-round pick (71st overall), fourth-round pick (103rd overall) to Tennessee in ex-

change for first-round pick (27th overall-Jason Babin); also exchanged fifth-round picks (138th to 159th overall) with Tennessee.

Apr. 25, 2004: Traded fifth-round pick (159th overall) to Jacksonville in exchange for sixth-round pick (175th overall - Jammal Lord) and seventh-round pick (210th overall - Raheem Orr).

Apr. 23, 2005: Traded first-round pick (13th overall) to New Orleans in exchange for first round pick (16th overall-Travis Johnson) in 2005 draft and third-round selection in 2006 draft (66th overall-Eric Winston).

Apr. 29, 2007: Traded fourth-round draft pick (107th overall) to the New Orleans Saints in exchange for the Saints 2007 fourth-round pick (123rd overall-Fred Bennett) and a 2007 fifth-round pick (163rd overall-Brandon Frye).

Apr. 26, 2008: Traded first-round pick (No. 18 overall) to the Baltimore Ravens for first-round pick (No. 26 overall-Duane Brown) a third-round pick (89th overall-Steve Slaton) and a sixth-round pick (173rd overall-Dominique Barber).

Apr. 23, 2010: Traded second-round pick (51st overall) to the Minnesota Vikings in exchange for Minnesota's second- and third-round picks (62nd and 93rd, respectively).

Traded the 62nd overall pick and a fifth-round pick (150th overall) to New England 58th overall pick in Round 2 (RB Ben Tate).

Traded the 93rd pick to Kansas City in exchange for fourth-round pick (102nd overall - LB Darryl Sharpton) and a fifth-rounder (144th overall - CB Sherrick McManis) from the Chiefs.

April 29, 2011: Traded a third- (73rd overall) and fifth-round (138th overall) pick with New England for a second-round (60th overall) pick. Houston selected Miami CB Brandon Harris with its new pick.

April 30, 2011: Acquired a fourth-round pick (127th overall) and two fifth-round picks (144th and 152nd) from the Washington Redskins in exchange for the Texans' original fourth-round pick (105th overall) and sixth-round pick (178th). With their picks, Houston selected Virginia Tech CB Roc Carmichael (127th overall), Idaho S Shiloh Keo (144th) and North Carolina QB T.J. Yates (152nd) with those acquired picks.

April 27, 2012: Traded second- and seventh-round picks (58th and 233rd overall) to Tampa Bay for picks in the third and fourth rounds. The Texans selected WR DeVier Posey with the 68th overall pick and DE Jared Crick with the 126th overall pick.

April 27, 2013: Traded fifth-round pick (160th overall) to St. Louis for two picks in the sixth round (184th and 198th overall). The Texans included the 184th pick in a subsequent trade and selected DT Chris Jones with the 198th overall pick.

Traded sixth-round pick (184th overall) and seventh-round pick (233rd overall) to Oakland for a sixth-round pick (176th overall). The Texans selected T David Quessenberry with that pick.

May 9, 2014: Traded fourth- and fifth-round picks (101st and 141st overall) to Philadelphia for a third-round pick (83rd overall). The Texans selected NT Louis Nix III with that pick.

May 1, 2015: Traded second-, fourth-, and sixth-round picks (51st, 116th and 195th overall) to Cleveland for a second- and seventh-round pick (43rd and 229th overall). The Texans selected LB Benardrick McKinney with the second-round pick and traded the seventh-round pick.

Traded WR DeVier Posey and third-, fifth- and seventh-round picks (82nd, 152nd and 229th overall) for a third-round pick (70th overall). The Texans selected WR Jaelen Strong with the pick.

April 28, 2016: Traded first-round pick (22nd overall) in 2016 and sixth-round pick in 2017 to Washington for a first-round pick (21st overall). The Texans selected WR Will Fuller with the pick.

April 29, 2016: Traded second-round (52nd overall) and sixth-round (195th overall) picks in 2016 to Atlanta for a second-round pick (50th overall). The Texans selected C Nick Martin with the pick.

WILL FULLER BIO

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WILL FULLER

WIDE RECEIVER

Height: 6-0 | Weight: 184 | College: Notre Dame |
Hometown: Philadelphia, PA | Rookie |
Age: 22 | Acquired: D1-'16 |
Teams: Houston, 2016

TRANSACTIONS: Selected by the Houston Texans with the 21st pick in the first round (21st overall) in the 2016 NFL Draft.

CAREER AT NOTRE DAME:

- Had 144 catches for 2,512 receiving yards and 30 touchdowns in his career (2013-15)
- Averaged 17.4 yards per reception and 64.4 yards per game
- Finished second to Michael Floyd (37) for most receiving touchdowns in school history
- Played in 2013 Pinstripe Bowl, 2014 Music City Bowl and 2016 Fiesta Bowl

AWARDS:

- Associated Press Second-Team All-American (2015)
- ESPN.com Midseason First-Team All-American (2015)
- USA Today Midseason First-Team All-American (2015)
- SI.com Midseason Second-Team All-American (2015)
- Biletnikoff Award Semifinalist (2015)
- Biletnikoff Award Watch List (2015)
- Walter Camp Award Watch List (2015)
- Athlon Sports Preseason Fourth Team All-American (2015)
- College Sports Madness Independent Offensive Player of the Week (9.13.15)
- Walter Camp Award "Player to Watch" (2015)

2015 (Junior):

- Named a second-team All-American by the Associated Press
- Compiled 62 catches, 1,258 receiving yards and 14 receiving touchdowns
- Had six catches for 113 yards, including an 81-yard touchdown, in his final game vs. Ohio State in the Fiesta Bowl
- His 13 receiving touchdowns during the regular season tied him for sixth in the country
- His 1,145 yards during the regular season tied him for 14th best in the country
- His 20.5 yards per reception during the regular season was 15th best in the country
- Had seven receptions for 142 yards and two touchdowns vs. Texas (9/5)
- Had seven receptions for 152 yards and three touchdowns at Pittsburgh (11/7)
- Caught two-or-more touchdowns in three games

2014 (Sophomore):

- Started at wide receiver in all 13 games
- Led Notre Dame in receptions (76), receiving yards (1,094) and receiving TDs (15)
- Ranked third in the FBS in TD catches, 21st in receiving yards, 23rd in receiving yards per game (84.2), tied for 24th in total TD (15) and 34th in receptions per game (5.8)
- His 15 TD receptions, 76 catches and 1,094 receiving yards are the most in single-season school history by a sophomore
- Eight of his 15 TD catches went for at least 20 yards
- Had at least one touchdown catch in 11 of the 13 games
- Had three multi-receiving TD games
- Eclipsed 100 yards receiving in four games, including two of the last three regular-season contests
- Had a catch of at least 30 yards in seven of Notre Dame's 13 games
- Had two of Notre Dame's five receptions of at least 50 yards
- Fourth player in school history with a pair of TD receptions of 72 yards or longer (Nick Eddy, 1964, Tim Brown, 1986, and Golden Tate, 2009)
- Had five of team's 11 receptions of at least 40 yards registered 19 receptions of at least 20 yards
- 51 of his 76 receptions went for a first down or touchdown
- 17 of his 19 third-down receptions went for a first down or touchdown
- His 16 career TD grabs already rank tied for ninth in school history
- Opened the season with a TD grab in four straight games -- longest streak to open a season for the Irish since Jeff Samardzija began the 2005 season with a TD in each of the first eight games
- Honorable mention All-American by Sports Illustrated

2013 (Freshman):

- Saw action in all 13 games
- Started three contests, Oklahoma (Sept. 28), USC (Oct. 19) and Air Force (Oct. 26)
- Had six catches on the year for 160 yards (26.7 average) and a TD
- Had two carries for eight yards
- Scored his first touchdown on a 47-yard pass from Tommy Rees against Air Force

PERSONAL:

- Attended Roman Catholic High School in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania
- First-team receiver on 2012 Pennsylvania Sports Writers AAAA All-State football team
- Named as a receiver to Philadelphia Daily News All-City squad for 2012
- First-team receiver on Philadelphia Inquirer All-Southeastern Pennsylvania team
- Named MVP of Philadelphia Catholic League 4A
- Made 57 receptions in 2012 for 932 yards and eight TDs in 2012
- Had 10 catches for 232 yards and two TDs in 2012 win over Cardinal O'Hara
- Also played cornerback
- Honorable mention Pennsylvania all-state pick as a junior
- Grabbed 46 receptions in 2011 for 758 yards and 10 TDs on 8-3 Roman Catholic team
- All Catholic League 4A pick in 2011 as both a receiver and defensive back
- A first-team All-City selection as a sophomore in 2010 by Philadelphia Daily News
- Caught 39 passes for 650 yards and nine TDs in 2010
- Chosen for Semper Fidelis All-American Bowl and played for East squad
- Played for coach Joe McCort
- Son of Bill Fuller and Megan Mitchell
- Enrolled in the College of Arts and Letters, majoring in Africana studies
- Born April 16, 1994



NICK MARTIN

CENTER

Height: 6-4 | Weight: 299 | College: Notre Dame |
Hometown: Indianapolis, IN. | Rookie |
Age: 22 | Acquired: D2-'16 |
Teams: Houston, 2016 |

TRANSACTIONS: Selected by the Houston Texans with the 19th pick in the second round (50th overall) of the 2016 NFL Draft.

CAREER AT NOTRE DAME:

- Played in 50 games with 37 starts in his career at Notre Dame (2011-15)
- Started 26 consecutive games from 2014-15

AWARDS:

- Rimington Trophy Watch List (2014-15)
- Lombardi Award Watch List (2014)
- Team Captain (2014-15)

2015:

- Started all 13 games for the Irish
- Helped establish a running game that rushed for 207.6 yards per game, the highest mark for Notre Dame since 1998

2014:

- Played in and started all 13 games
- Named a season-long captain at the end of fall camp
- Started at center in each of the first three games of the season (Rice, Michigan and Purdue), but moved to left guard before the 31-15 victory over Syracuse (Sept. 27)
- That marked first career start at any other position than center
- Remained the starting left guard over the last 10 games of the year

2013:

- Started each of the first 11 games at center
- Lost for the season against BYU (Nov. 23) due to a knee injury
- Played on same Irish offensive line with older brother, senior offensive tackle and captain Zack Martin
- Part of an offensive line that allowed just 8.0 sacks and ranked second in the Football Bowl Subdivision in fewest sacks allowed
- No team in the nation allowed fewer sacks and attempted more passes than Notre Dame (eight sacks on 429 pass attempts) in '13

2012:

- Saw action in all 13 games
- Majority of action came on multiple Irish special teams units
- Joined brother, Zack, as one of four brothers on the Irish roster

2011:

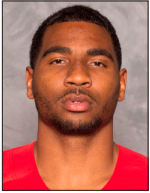
- Did not see any action during the season

PERSONAL:

- First-team Indiana all-state pick on Associated Press Class 3A team as offensive lineman
- Named to Indiana Football Coaches Association Top 50 all-state team as one of 10 offensive linemen
- Named to 2010 Super Team by the *Indianapolis Star*
- Second-team offensive lineman on U.S. Air Force Medium Schools Prep All-America squad
- Helped fourth-ranked Bishop Chatard High School in Indianapolis, Ind., to 2010 Indiana Class 3A state title with 28-14 win over South Bend St. Joseph's in state title contest that marked Chatard's record 10th state title
- Chatard ended season with 11-4 record and 10 straight wins after early three-game losing streak
- Helped team to No. 3 state ranking in IFCA final regular-season poll for 2010
- Starter on both offensive and defensive lines
- Rated second-best Class 3A defensive player in Indianapolis area in preseason listings by the *Indianapolis Star*
- Helped Chatard to 12-2 mark as a junior in 2009 before losing to Evansville Memorial in Indiana state playoff semi-state round
- Father, Keith, played football at Kentucky and was 1982 Academic All-Southeastern Conference pick as team's top defensive tackle while also earning NCAA Postgraduate Scholarship in 1983
- Played for coach Vincent Lorenzano at Bishop Chatard High School
- Son of Pam and Keith Martin
- Brother, Zack, had an All-Pro rookie season as the starting right guard for the Dallas Cowboys after being a first-round pick in the 2014 NFL Draft
- Graduated May 2015, with a degree in management consulting from the Mendoza College of Business

BRAXTON MILLER BIO

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BRAXTON MILLER

WIDE RECEIVER

Height: 6-1 | Weight: 201 | College: Ohio State |
Hometown: Springfield, Ohio | Rookie |
Age: 23 | Acquired: D3-'16 |
Teams: Houston, 2016 |

TRANSACTIONS: Selected by the Houston Texans with the 22nd pick in the third round (85th overall) of the 2016 NFL Draft.

CAREER AT OHIO STATE:

- After missing 20 months of activity while recovering from a shoulder injury and two surgeries, switched positions to receiver/H-Back and earned honorable mention all-Big Ten honors after catching 26 passes for 341 yards and three touchdowns plus rushing for 281 yards and another score
- A two-time winner of the Chicago Tribune's Silver Football Award as the best player in the Big Ten (as quarterback)
- Holds the school record with 88 touchdowns responsible for while also finishing among the school's greats with 8,609 yards of total offense (second at Ohio State), 3,314 rushing yards (No. 6) and 33 rushing touchdowns, 5,295 yards passing (No. 8) and 52 touchdowns (No. 4)
- Has the most individual awards in Big Ten history with seven, including two offensive player and quarterback of year awards plus a freshman of the year honor
- Graduated in December 2014 with his degree in communications

AWARDS:

- CFP National Champion (2015)
- Sugar Bowl Champion (2015)
- Fiesta Bowl Champion (2016)
- Big Ten Champion (2014)
- UnderArmour HS All-American (2011)
- Two-time Big Ten Freshman of the Week (2011)
- CFP National Freshman Trophy (2011)
- Big Ten Pledge of the Year (2011)
- Two-time *Chicago Tribune* Silver Football Award (2012, 2013)
- Davey O'Brien Award Finalist (2012)
- Only player ever to be named two-time Big Ten Offensive Player of the Year (2012, 2013)
- Griese-Brees Quarterback of the Year (2012, 2013)
- Two-time All-Big Ten 1st Team (2012, 2013)
- Heisman Trophy Candidate (5th - 2012, 9th - 2013)

2015 (Senior):

- Honorable mention All-Big Ten at the H-B position
- Caught 26 passes for 341 yards and 3 TDs and rushed 42 times for 281 yards and a score
- Saw his first action in nearly 20 months in the season-opening win at Virginia Tech, tallying 140 all-purpose yards and two touchdowns
- Named the Big Ten offensive player of the week after recording 62 rushing yards and 78 receiving yards, including a 54-yard catch-and-run for a touchdown down the sideline, followed up by a 53-yard touchdown run, both coming in the third quarter
- Became the first Buckeye in 9 years to record a 50-yard touchdown run and 50-yard touchdown reception in the same game

2014:

- Redshirted due to injury

2013 (Junior):

- Named the *Chicago Tribune's* Silver Football Most Valuable Player trophy as the Big Ten's MVP for the second consecutive year while becoming the first repeat winner of the award in 24 years
- Threw for 2,094 yards and 24 touchdowns and rushed for an additional 1,068 yards and 12 scores
- Repeated in 2013 as both the Big Ten's Quarterback of the Year and the Offensive Player of the Year
- Directed a record-breaking Ohio State offense to national rankings of fifth in rushing (308.6 ypg), third in scoring (45.5), seventh in total offense (511.9 ypg) and 10th in pass efficiency (158.8 rating)
- Team broke then-school single season records for points scored (637), touchdowns (87) and touchdown passes (38), and it scored the third-most rushing touchdowns in school history (45)

- Led the Big Ten and was 13th nationally in passing efficiency (158.1) and he finished ninth in the 2013 Heisman Trophy voting
- Accounted for five touchdowns in the win over Michigan (three rushing and two touchdown passes) to tie a personal best
- Rushed for 100-or more yards five times
- Tied a career high with four touchdown passes in the win over Wisconsin to earn Big Ten player of the week honors
- Was 22 of 27 passing for 222 yards and two TDs, plus 102 rushing yards, in the win vs. Iowa
- Accounted for five touchdowns vs. Penn State and threw for a career-high 252 yards in less than three quarters and was named Big Ten player of the week

2012 (Sophomore):

- Lead the Buckeyes to just the sixth unbeaten, untied season in school history - 12-0 - with a school-record 3,310 yards of total offense
- Fifth in the Heisman Trophy voting, and he was a finalist for the Davey O'Brien National Quarterback Award

2011 (Freshman):

- Took over the starting quarterback duties in the fourth game of the season against Colorado and quickly became the team's outstanding offensive player
- Threw for 1,159 yards and 13 touchdowns as a true freshman
- Led the team in rushing with 715 yards and seven touchdowns, statistics that enabled him to earn the Big Ten Conference's Thompson-Randle El Freshman of the Year award

PERSONAL:

- Highly-regarded quarterback who led Wayne High to the 2010 Division I state title game
- Passed for 2,167 yards and 17 touchdowns, and rushed for 658 yards 17 more touchdowns as a senior for Coach Jay Minton
- Had a career record of 31-7 as a starting quarterback
- Ohio Mr. Football finalist and first team all-state
- Under Armour All-American game
- Basketball letterman
- The son of Kelly and Kevin Miller
- Youngest of three siblings (Brion and Bailey)
- Has a son, Landon
- Enrolled at Ohio State in January 2009

TYLER ERVIN BIO

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TYLER ERVIN

RUNNING BACK

Height: 5-10 | Weight: 192 | College: San Jose State |
Hometown: San Bernardino, Calif. | Rookie |
Age: 22 | Acquired: D4-'16 |
Teams: Houston, 2016 |

TRANSACTIONS: Selected by the Houston Texans with the 21st pick in the fourth round (119th overall) in the 2016 NFL Draft.

CAREER AT SAN JOSE STATE:

- Five seasons with the Spartans (2011-15)
- One of the most versatile players in the Football Bowl Subdivision (FBS)
- Received Athlon Sports 2nd team All-America, SI.com honorable mention All-America and two all-conference honors during his career
- Played running back, slot receiver, return specialist, cornerback and special teams defender for the Spartans
- Has scored touchdowns rushing, receiving, on kickoff returns and punt return during his college career
- 47 games played and 24 starts.
- San José State career record holder for all-purpose yardage (6,146), kickoff return yardage (2,374), kickoffs returned (101), kickoff returns for a touchdown (3) and combined punt and kickoffs returned for touchdowns (5), most touchdowns of 80 yards or more (6) and most touchdowns of 70 yards or more (8)
- Shares the school single-season record for kickoff returns for a touchdown (2)
- Second on the school's list for career rushing yardage (2,803)
- 10 games of 100 or more rushing yards
- Honored in 2012 and 2015 on National Student-Athlete Day by the National Consortium for Academics & Sports

2015:

- First-team All-Mountain West running back
- Athlon Sports 2nd team All-America all-purpose player
- Second nationally and conference leader in all-purpose running (202.85)
- 371 touches via rushing, receiving and returns were the third most by a FBS player for the season
- 11th nationally and third in the Mountain West for most rushing yards (1,601)
- Set the San Jose State single-season school records for rushing yards and all-purpose running yardage (2,637)
- Two-time Paul Hornung Award Weekly Honor Roll for his performances in the UNLV (10/10) and New Mexico wins (10/24)
- Mountain West Player Offensive Player of the Week for his 42 carries, 300 yards, 3 touchdowns in the Fresno State win (9/26)
- The 300 rushing yards against Fresno State was a FBS individual best for the season
- Only FBS player to rush for more than 250 yards in multiple games during the season when adding his 36 carries for 263 yards and a touchdown in the New Mexico victory
- Personal single-season best 45 receptions
- Second most on the team
- Career-high eight catches in the UNLV win
- Scored at least one rushing touchdown in each of the first six games and 13 rushing TDs overall
- Picked up his second career punt return for a touchdown with an 85-yard return in the AutoNation Cure Bowl victory over Georgia State (12/19)
- Sixth longest punt return in San Jose State history and the longest punt return by a player during the 2015 post-season
- Team scoring leader with 96 points on 16 touchdowns
- Named team's Most Valuable Player for the second year in a row
- One of the Spartans' four team captains for the season

2014:

- SI.com honorable mention All-America selection and the team's Most Valuable Player
- 13th nationally and third in the Mountain West in all-purpose running (148.42/game)
- 38th in the FBS and sixth in the conference in average yards per carry (5.6)
- Best yards per carry average by a Spartans' leading rusher since 2006
- Led the team with 888 rushing yards and four rushing touchdowns
- Was one of four FBS players to rush for two touchdowns of 80 or more yards
- Had an 83-yard touchdown burst in the UNLV win (10/4)
- Bettered that with an 89-yard scoring run vs. Colorado State (11/1) - the fourth longest running play in school history.

- Had the 11th best all-purpose yardage game among FBS and second among Mountain West players for the season with 305 yards against Colorado State
- His 146 rushing yards on 18 carries vs. Colorado State was a personal single-game career best and one of three 100-plus rushing yardage games of the season
- Gained 133 yards with a touchdown on 11 carries vs. UNLV and 104 yards on 22 attempts at Utah State (11/21)
- Fifth on the team with 29 receptions for 306 yards and a 75-yard touchdown at Auburn (9/6)
- The 75-yard touchdown reception in the Auburn game matched the longest pass play against the Tigers during the season
- Added punt return duties for the first time to his repertoire
- Scored his first touchdown via punt return on his second attempt of the season -- a 40-yarder in the season-opening North Dakota win (8/28)
- Finished the season returning only seven punts with an 11.6 yards per return average

2013:

- Saw action only in the season-opening win vs. Sacramento State (8/29)
- Had two carries for two yards before leaving the game with an injury
- Missed the remainder of the season

2012:

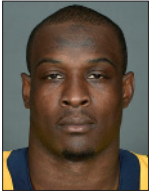
- A second-team All-WAC choice as a kickoff return specialist
- Tied the San José State single-season record with kickoff returns for touchdowns at San Diego State (9/22) and UTSA (10/20)
- UTSA TD return also gave him the Spartans' career record
- Named the WAC Special Teams Player of the Week after the San Diego State win with 167 yards in kickoff returns and a 33.4 yard average
- Rushed for a score in the Colorado State win (9/15) and caught a 36-yard scoring pass in the UTSA triumph
- Had a career best 56 yards on 11 carries in the win at Navy (9/29)... Second on the team in rushing with 205 yards
- Then career-long 32-yard run in the Texas State triumph (10/27)

2011:

- Played in all 12 games
- A running back, defensive back, special teams player and excelled as a kickoff return specialist
- Finished with a 24.0 yard kickoff return average
- Was 51st nationally and fourth in the WAC
- First Spartan since 2005 to return a kickoff for a touchdown with his 95-yard return at Utah State (11/12)
- His 672 kickoff return yards were the ninth best single-season Spartan total
- Third on the team in rushing with 107 yards
- A season-high 40 yards on nine carries in his running back debut against Brigham Young (10/8)
- First major college TD was an 11-yard run vs. Idaho (11/5)
- Credited with five tackles and three pass receptions.

PERSONAL:

- A two-time, first-team, all-purpose, All-C.I.F. back from Colton (Calif.) High (Coaches Richard Bray and Harold Strauss)
- An All-C.I.F. defensive back as a junior after compiling an astounding 24 pass break-ups and two interceptions.
- A 2010 All-C.I.F. running back who rushed for 2,848 yards, averaged 7.3 yards carry and scored 26 touchdowns in two seasons
- Return specialist who averaged 11.5 yards per punt return and 25.6 yards per kickoff return
- Played in the 2011 San Bernardino County All-Star Game in Corona, Calif.
- Majored in communication studies
- A skilled barber
- Studied to earn his California real estate license in February 2016
- A native of San Bernardino, Calif.



K.J. DILLON

SAFETY

Height: 6-0 | Weight: 210 | College: West Virginia |
Hometown: Apoka, Fla. | Rookie |
Age: 21 | Acquired: D5a-'16 |
Teams: Houston, 2016 |

TRANSACTIONS: Selected by the Houston Texans with the 22nd pick in the fifth round (159th overall) in the 2016 NFL Draft.

2015:

- Finished with 55 tackles, 7.5 for loss, two interceptions and eight pass break-ups, garnering second team All-Big 12 accolades
- All-Big 12 Conference Second Team (Coaches)
- All-Big 12 Conference Third Team (Phil Steele)
- Played in 48 career games and started 29
- Posted four solo tackles vs. Arizona State
- Had three tackles and a pair of pass breakups at Kansas State
- Returned an interception 25 yards and had two tackles vs. Iowa State
- WVU Defensive Champion for performance against Texas Tech; led the team with a career best nine tackles, including one for loss
- Had a team-high seven solo tackles, two for loss, at TCU
- Had five solo tackles and a pass breakup at Baylor
- Had two tackles for loss and six tackles vs. Oklahoma State
- Recorded seven tackles and one pass breakup at Oklahoma
- Had an interception, one tackle for loss and one pass breakup vs. Maryland
- Had four tackles, assisted on one tackle for loss and had one pass breakup vs. Georgia Southern

2014:

- Played in 13 games and started 12
- Fourth-leading tackler, finishing with 62 tackles, including 43 unassisted tackles, 0.5 sacks, 7.5 tackles for loss
- Tied for the team lead with three interceptions and seven pass breakups
- Used on 998 plays, including 904 on defense
- Saw action on a season-high 84 defensive plays against Alabama and Texas A&M
- Earned WVU's Defensive MVP honors against Texas A&M in the Liberty Bowl, finishing with five solo tackles, a pass breakup and returning an interception 35 yards for a touchdown
- Registered a career-high 11 tackles at Iowa State, including five solo tackles, 1.5 tackles for loss and a pass breakup
- Also had a career-high six assisted tackles at Iowa State
- Finished with a career-high eight tackles against Kansas State, including career-high seven solo stops and one pass breakup
- Had five tackles at Texas; including four solo stops
- Registered five tackles against TCU, including three solo stops and had an interception and a pass breakup
- Finished with four tackles, including one for loss at Oklahoma State
- Three solo tackles and two pass breakups vs. Baylor
- Registered first career interception at Texas Tech
- Also had four tackles against the Red Raiders, including three solo tackles and a pass breakup
- Finished with four tackles against Kansas; including three solo stops
- Two solo tackles against Oklahoma
- Finished with three tackles, including one for loss at Maryland
- Registered six tackles (four solo) and a tackle for loss vs. Alabama

2013:

- Played in nine games and started four at safety
- Finished the season with 28 tackles, including 23 solo stops, three tackles for loss, a fumble recovery and six pass breakups
- Led the team with six pass breakups
- Career high in pass breakups (2) vs. Texas and at Oklahoma
- Set career highs in unassisted tackles (6) and total tackles (6) at Baylor
- Recovered first career fumble vs. Maryland

2012:

- Added depth at boundary safety and was used on special teams
- Played in all 13 games
- Finished with 20 tackles, including 14 solo tackles and a forced fumble

PERSONAL:

- Three-year starter for coach Rick Darlington at Apopka High
- 2011 Orlando Sentinel All-Central Florida Second Team Defense
- Played in the 2011 Central Florida All-Star Game for the East Side
- Birthday is May 11
- Son of Kimberly Dillon
- One of three children
- Majored in communication studies



D.J. READER

NOSE TACKLE

Height: 6-3 | Weight: 327 | College: Clemson |
Hometown: Greensboro, N.C. | Rookie |
Age: 21 | Acquired: D5b-'16 |
Teams: Houston, 2016 |

TRANSACTIONS: Selected by the Houston Texans with the 27th pick in the fifth round (166th overall) in the 2016 NFL Draft.

CAREER AT CLEMSON:

- Longtime backup at defensive tackle who found his way into the starting lineup as a senior
- Finished career with 145 tackles, nine tackles for loss, five sacks and 24 quarterback pressures in 1,087 snaps over 46 games (10 starts) in his career
- Became the second Tiger to letter on top-25 football and baseball teams in one academic year (2012-13) since 1994-95 (Kyle Parker (2009-10) is the other)
- Played in the 2016 Senior Bowl

2015:

- Permanent team co-captain
- Finished season with 35 tackles and three quarterback pressures in 259 snaps over nine games (six starts)
- Returned to action after a personal leave of absence at Miami, and did so in fine fashion
- Logged 17 snaps, and had seven tackles
- Played 28 snaps and graded 84 percent in win over NC State
- Had five tackles and earned first start of the season against Florida State
- Posted four tackles against North Carolina
- Had great game against Oklahoma in the Capital One Orange Bowl, where he contributed 1.5 tackles for loss and half a sack against the Sooners
- Posted four tackles in National Championship Game vs. Alabama, earning a share of defensive player-of-the-game honors from coaches along with Kevin Dodd

2014:

- Had 27 tackles, 2.5 tackles for loss, 1.5 sacks and 10 quarterback pressures in 250 snaps over 12 games (one start)
- Had five tackles and 0.5 tackles for loss in 23 snaps at No. 12 Georgia on Aug. 30
- Had five tackles in 22 snaps at No. 1 Florida State on Sept. 20
- Had three tackles and two quarterback pressures in 23 snaps against Syracuse on Oct. 25; also played one snap on offense
- Had three tackles, 0.5 sacks and tied for the team-high with three quarterback pressures in 25 snaps at Wake Forest on Nov. 6; also played one snap on offense
- Had three tackles, 1.5 tackles for loss and one sack in 22 snaps against South Carolina on Nov. 29
- Had two quarterback pressures in 21 snaps against No. 24 Oklahoma in the Russell Athletic Bowl on Dec. 29

2013:

- Had 43 tackles, five tackles for loss, three sacks and eight quarterback pressures in 342 snaps over 13 games (three starts)
- Played four snaps on offense
- Had five tackles and 0.5 tackles for loss in 33 snaps against SC State on Sept. 7
- Had five tackles and 0.5 tackles for loss in 26 snaps against Wake Forest on Sept. 28; also played one snap on offense
- Had four tackles and his first career sack in 29 snaps at Syracuse on Oct. 5; also played one snap on offense
- Had one tackle and two quarterback pressures in 28 snaps against Boston College on Oct. 12; also played one snap on offense
- Had two tackles and one sack in 37 snaps against No. 5 Florida State on Oct. 19
- Had five tackles in 32 snaps at Maryland on Oct. 26; it was his first career start

2012:

- Had 40 tackles, three quarterback pressures and one pass breakup in 236 snaps over 13 games
- Averaged one tackle every 5.9 snaps, one of the best figures on the team
- Had two tackles in six snaps against No. 25 Auburn at Atlanta, Ga. on Sept. 1; it was his first career game

PERSONAL:

- SuperPrep All-American
- Had 50 tackles, seven tackles for loss and five sacks as a senior
- Starting center on the basketball squad
- Standout baseball player (righthander and DH) who has been clocked in the 90s
- All-conference in baseball as a sophomore, junior and senior
- All-region in baseball as a junior and senior
- Team MVP in baseball as a junior and senior
- Batted .529 as junior
- Lettered four times in football, four times in baseball and four times in basketball
- Coached by Damon Coiro at Grimsley High School
- Recruited by Robbie Caldwell
- His mother, Felicia, played softball at North Carolina A&T from 1985-88
- His uncle, Glenn Ford, played football at Tennessee from 1978-80
- Graduated with a degree in communication studies in December 2015
- Born July 1, 1994

**EXECUTIVE VICE PRESIDENT OF FOOTBALL OPERATIONS
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HEAD COACH BILL O'BRIEN
PRESS CONFERENCE**

Talk about your scouting report for WR Will Fuller.

Rick Smith: "He's fast. He can run. That's his greatest attribute, obviously. I think he had, if not the fastest, one of the fastest 40-yard dash times at the combine. I think if you go back to our conversation a couple days ago at the press conference, we talked about the two types of speed that we look for. Not only is he straight-line, 40-yard dash fast. This guy plays extremely fast and quick. Adding that element to our offense, we all just felt would really enhance what we do offensively. With the creativity that these guys have on our offensive staff, I think he'll be an excellent addition to our football team."

How do you plan on using WR Will Fuller?

Bill O'Brien: "We feel good about the diversity at that position now. Obviously with DeAndre Hopkins, 111 catches, all the things that he can do on the outside, on the inside, being able to move him around and how much better he's gotten every year. He allows us to be able to go out there and go get a guy like this. Will will come in and start on the outside, but he does a number of different things. He'll start off as an outside receiver, but as he learns and he gets better every day, we'll begin to move him around and do different things with him."

Did you think that another team was going to jump ahead so you decided to move up?

Rick Smith: "If you look at what ended up happening, I think three wide receivers, maybe for the first time, went in a row. We felt like there may be a run on the position. He was a guy that we felt strongly about. We didn't want to take a chance on not getting him. We were aggressive. We went and made the move."

You recruited Will Fuller at Penn state and were the first school to offer him a scholarship. What do you remember about him?

Bill O'Brien: "I've known him for a while. He came to our camp when I was at Penn State. I don't know if we were the first to offer him, but I know we saw this guy at our high school camp when I was the head coach there. We offered him right away there when we saw him run around and do some of the things he was doing in high school. Yeah, I've known him for a while. He's a guy that is a bright guy. He comes from a good family. He's a very hard working guy. He comes highly recommended from Brian Kelly. I've spoken to Brian Kelly about him. Rick (Smith) has also. This guy is a guy that a lot of people think very highly of. We're excited to get him here and start working with him."

Is there any concern with a player coming from a spread offense?

Bill O'Brien: "That's an interesting question. I would tell you that when you watch film of this guy, he runs a lot of different types of routes. There's all different kinds of versions of the spread offense in college with Baylor and Texas Tech and then you have Notre Dame's type of offense that they run. They run a lot of similar routes as to what we do. He has some experience with some of the things we do. We were able to, Rick (Smith) and I, put that vision together and see what he can do for us. Like I said, we're just excited to get him here and start working with him."

How have you seen him develop from when you first met him?

Bill O'Brien: "Again, I think that was 2012. He went to Notre Dame then obviously picking back up with him when I started watching film of him here and then seeing him at the combine. Again, talking to his coaches about him. He's obviously grown up a lot as a player. He does many more things than what he did in high school."

He's a stronger guy. His football experience has really grown. He's learned a lot at Notre Dame. One of the things that we like about him is he's eager to learn. We're excited about getting him here and getting going with him."

Does he figure at all in the return game?

Bill O'Brien: "That's another good question. The way that (Special Teams Coordinator) Larry Izzo and I are approaching that this spring is we're going to put a lot of guys out there and see who fields the ball the best and can return the best, whether it's kickoff return or punt return. I would say that Will will definitely be somebody that we will look at that position."

Was his big play ability something that really drew you to him?

Bill O'Brien: "I think one of the things that we looked at definitely was his ability to be a vertical threat. I think his career average per catch is 17 yards per catch, which is really good when you think about playing three years in college. I think one of the things he does well is he tracks the deep ball very well. He makes over the shoulder catches, he tracks the deep ball very well, so that was definitely one of the things that we liked about him."

How much of a concern was his tendency to drop some balls?

Bill O'Brien: "I think we look at everything. Obviously, I don't think we think any of these guys are perfect, none of us are perfect. I think that some of the things that he has to improve on I'm sure he'll come in here and improve on them, whether it's route running or catching the ball in traffic more consistently, whatever it is. I believe he's a hard worker and he'll get better and better at that."

Did you consider TCU WR Josh Doctson?

Bill O'Brien: "I would say again that Rick (Smith) and I considered everybody that was available at that pick and every position. We think that Josh Doctson is a hell of a player too, we just felt like Will Fuller was the guy to help our team."

WR WILL FULLER CONFERENCE CALL

Did you think the Texans were going to pick you, and what was your involvement like with them before the draft?

"The only contact I had with Houston was at the combine. I met with their staff in a meeting, and I felt good about it because I knew they needed a receiver who could open the field up and I feel like I fit that mold perfectly. Everything went well at the combine and I think they fell in love with me there."

Are you excited about playing with Texans WR DeAndre Hopkins?

"Oh yeah I'm super excited to be playing with DeAndre Hopkins. I had a teammate on Notre Dame who's from South Carolina, so that's all we talked about was Hopkins. I'm very aware of how good he is and I can't wait to play on the same team as him."

Could you describe what kind of player you are?

"Oh man, you know I'm going to be the hardest working guy day in and day out, and whatever that brings to the team, it's going to bring, but all I want to do is win. Hard work is the first thing for me and getting in and learning that playbook as fast as possible and just trying to get in and help the team win."

You originally committed to Penn State with Bill O'Brien, what did you like about him?

"I loved the whole coaching staff. I loved everything about Penn State. It was close to my hometown, but Coach O'Brien, he already had coached us and his knowledge of the football game and what he did with the Patriots a couple years before, just his knowledge of the offense and how he could have put me in the best position to be the best. I feel bad that things didn't hit because I feel like we would've had something special at Penn State."

Growing up in Philadelphia, how much was Marvin Harrison a role model or someone you tried to emulate?

"Growing up, and I actually never met Marvin Harrison, but I'm still looking forward to that, but he definitely was someone who I looked up to just being a young kid watching the game, he's one of the best. I actually figured out he went out he went to the same high school as me and saw I broke one of his records, so that was pretty funny, but still looking forward to meeting Marvin Harrison."

Where are you right now?

"I'm in Philadelphia."

What is your best physical skill?

"Definitely being a deep threat, that's the first thing that comes to my mind is being a deep threat and just getting the DBs off of me and opening things up for other teammates to have success."

Do you know Texans WR Jaelen Strong?

"Yeah I know Jaelen very well just being from the same area. Us Philadelphia guys have that tight bond. I was actually texting him throughout this whole process."

Were you guys talking already about the possibility of ending up together?

"Actually we were, I was asking him if anyone was talking about me around the facility. He's keeping me updated and my names popping up here and there, but I wasn't 100% confident that Houston was going to get me, but once that phone rang I jumped out of my seat and was the most excited person ever."

What's Jaelen Strong told you about this coaching staff and the Texans?

"He hasn't told me anything specific. I know Coach O'Brien from working with him when I was in high school, but he was telling me that we at Notre Dame ran some of the same plays that they did at Houston and that I would fit their scheme perfect with my

deep threat abilities and opening things up for other players on the team."

What does it mean to you to be a first round pick?

"That's a dream come true. My goal ever since I was seven and started playing football was to play in the National Football League, it was never to go in round one, round two or round three, but wherever I got picked I was going to be satisfied. I'm just happy I got this down the first day."

What do you say to people who criticize your hands?

"I'm very confident. I got over 140 catches in my career, I'm a football player, that's what I like to tell people. It doesn't matter if I catch the ball with my body or my hands, a catch is a catch. I'm going to work my hardest to make everything more fluent, but like I said I'm just coming in trying to help the team win."

At the combine you said you'd been using the jugs machine quite a bit, how much has that helped your hands?

"Jug machines is not a good simulation of in-game things, how I'll think in the game, but just getting that repetition and catching the ball in my hands and extending my arms out has helped me a lot, especially at the combine I showed that I was catching everything with my hands and it's more just looking it in with your eyes than anything."

What do you think about the opportunity to play with Texans QB Brock Osweiler?

"That's great, man. You know he's new, I'm new, I'm looking to grow with him just like I'm looking to grow with the whole Houston facility and the whole staff."

There are a lot of receivers in this draft, what separates you from the rest?

"I'm just different. I don't compare myself to anyone else. I feel like I'm the best. I'm going to come in day in and day out and do everything. I love the game of football, so football is the only thing I'm going to do until I'm done. There's going to be no off the field issues, I'm going to be locked in, and I'm going to be the best receiver in this draft class I believe."

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Could you take us through the two picks tonight and your thoughts on them?

Rick Smith: "Well the first pick in the second round, we really feel like Nick Martin is an outstanding addition to the football team. I think you know from my history, I put stock in careers, I put stock in leadership, I put stock in a lot of those things and Nick certainly has those. He's got pedigree, he has an NFL pedigree, so he's been around it. We've gone to the well twice in Indiana at Notre Dame, and as a Purdue man that's been difficult for me, but I've managed to survive. We just really feel like he adds to our offensive line group. He's a guy that can come right in, he's a plug-and-play guy, he'll compete right away we think, so we're happy to get him. We did move obviously a couple spots to get him and felt strongly about adding him to the team, and that's why we did that. Then obviously the last pick in the third round with Braxton Miller, just a versatile player, explosive player, again, trying to impact our football team and as we talked about a few days ago when we were talking about our preparation for the draft in terms of adding players who have dimensions to them, who can add dimensions to our football team, who can make plays with the ball in their hand or on the ball, and certainly he can do that."

Can you discuss Braxton Miller's versatility?

Bill O'Brien: "Sure, he's done so many different things in college. He obviously played quarterback, he was a Big 10 player of the year a couple years in a row as a quarterback, then because of injury and the other quarterbacks that they had there he went to Coach Meyer and asked to be moved to wide receiver. He went there and they did a number of different things with him there. He's a really good teammate, he's an excellent athlete, he's got very good instincts. We went to Ohio State and spent a day with him, felt like he was just a guy that would fit in really well with us and what we're trying to do here so we're excited to get him in here and get going."

What does it say about Braxton Miller as an athlete that he's done so many different things in his career?

Bill O'Brien: "Well I said this earlier today when we were talking about Will (Fuller) and obviously Nick (Martin) also and I'll say this about Braxton, their head coaches speak very highly of them. I don't know if you guys just saw Urban (Meyer) on TV talking about Braxton, I mean these guys that we've brought in here, I think Rick just said it correctly, these guys are really good teammates, they have leadership skills, they care about winning, they love to compete, they love football, all three of these guys. That's the core values of football players that we look for and that was big. With Braxton, he was a quarterback when he went there. He was one of the best in the country at that position, and like I said because of injury he felt like the best move for him was to make the move to wide receiver, and he suggested it to Coach Meyer and that shows you that he's a good teammate and like I said, we're really excited to work with him."

Do you look at Braxton Miller playing inside first because of his experience in the slot?

Bill O'Brien: "I think we're going to play him in a few different places, but definitely the slot is one of them. There are a lot of different things that he can do for us in the slot, we think he can do things for us on the outside, there's things that he can do for us at the number three spot, special teams, he can help us in that area too. Like I said, very excited to get going with him."

Is there a bigger element of unknown with Braxton Miller than some of the other receivers in this draft?

Rick Smith: "Well I think he hadn't had the reps at the position

obviously. I think what you saw at the Senior Bowl, at least what we saw at the Senior Bowl - you saw a guy who has the ability to play the position, and it looked very natural to him. Like Bill (O'Brien) said, he went to coach and said, 'hey listen, this is how I can help our football team.' He's into it, it's important to him, he loves football like Bill said, so we think that he's got all the skill set that's necessary to be successful at the position."

There was a run on defensive linemen today, were there opportunities for you to take any today and how do you feel about your chances tomorrow?

Rick Smith: "What I feel about that is I feel like we got three good football players in the first three rounds and that's what we're focused on. So much about the draft and successful execution on draft day, preparation is the most important thing but some of its gut feel, so you've got to have a feel when you need to move, when you don't, when you can sit and maybe get a guy you want. We just feel like so far we've been fortunate with the three young men we've added to our football team. We've got a lot of work to do. We've got to get back downstairs. Tomorrow, from a scouting perspective, is when you make your money on day three. So we've got a lot of work still to do with this draft and our guys understand that and they remain focused."

Your first three picks were all offensive players, what does that say about the focus of this draft so far?

Rick Smith: "I think it's a combination of things. I think it's a combination of the way that the board was set up. I think it obviously is a result of how the players have come off the draft board, but it is absolutely an intent for us. We wanted to add playmakers to this football team. We feel like we've got a good team, and we feel like if we can add guys that have dimensions that can help us, and again I talked about the creativity of our coaching staff, I really feel like the combination of our communication throughout this process with the coaching staff and scouting staff about what these players will do when they walk in the door and the vision that we've been able to articulate together I think has given us a chance to be very clear about what these guys are going to do and it's helped us. We can continue to do that tomorrow. I think we'll look back and say we've had a pretty good draft process."

Can you talk about Nick Martin who has played guard and center, and do you plan on him playing both or focus at center?

Bill O'Brien: "He'll start off at center, but the versatility of him being able to play guard was something that we really liked, his toughness, his leadership, he's a very bright guy. One of the guys that we spoke to was Harry Hiestand, their line coach there at Notre Dame, he really spoke highly of this guy. He was a leader in the room and somebody that really came to practice every single day with a purpose and was a guy that could communicate well with his teammates which is really a key at center in addition to his talent obviously. Obviously his versatility was something that stood out to us too."

**C NICK MARTIN
CONFERENCE CALL**

How does it feel to be a Houston Texan?

"It feels great. I mean, I couldn't be happier about it."

Where you surprised to come here?

"I was open to obviously anything in this process. You don't really know what's going to happen. I saw that Houston, Texas area code and I just was very excited, very excited."

Do you know they have an opening at center?

"Yeah I knew of that trade and obviously I'm going to work very hard when I get down there."

Did you grow up as a Colts fan?

"I did. I grew up in Indianapolis."

Are you looking forward to playing with your college teammate Will Fuller here?

"Oh my gosh, absolutely, that was one of the first things that I thought of. When we watched the draft last night as a family, I'm very happy. I texted Will when he got picked and he couldn't be a more explosive and better player and just a better guy and teammate off the field."

What type of contact did you have with the Texans in the draft process?

"Yeah, we met at the Senior Bowl and talked. I got to meet Coach (Bill) O'Brien and just been in contact with them throughout and great staff, very excited to work with them and very excited for them allowing me to have this opportunity."

You know Houston and Dallas hate each other?

"I know, it's about three and a half hours from my brother. We've been teammates all our life and we're enemies now."

What kind of relationship do you and your brother have and how influential has he been on your career?

"We're honestly best friends, went to high school together, became very close and we lived together in college, best friends at the same time and he's the person I look up to. He's the first person I go to when I have advice and he looked at me and said pretty much we'll be neighbors now in Texas. It's a pretty cool feeling."

Did he give you any advice about being a professional in the NFL?

"Yeah absolutely, the first thing he said is it's a job and you have to perform. You have to go to work every day and put in the extra hours. Like you said, there's people trying to take people's jobs and that's what it comes down to. You've got to perform on Sunday because they're not paying for school or anything. It's a job and they'll fire you if you're not performing."

Are you looking forward to joining an offense with so many new weapons?

"I couldn't be more excited. Obviously just thankful that the McNair family is giving me this opportunity and Coach (Bill) O'Brien. I want to do everything I can to help this team out."

How did the knee injury change your game?

"You know, it really hasn't. I had it, I started and played in all 26 games after that injury. Ten at guard and the rest at center and had success doing it."

Could you talk about your strengths and then what you think you need to work on?

"Yeah absolutely, I think one thing is versatility, being able to play at both guard and center and then even right tackle if need be. Also just finishing I think is one of the biggest things. Even going back to high school, Coach (Vincent) Lorenzano, my high school coach, just instilled that finishing every play no matter what, staying after it, even if you're in a bad position you can finish a play if you just work harder than the guy."

Have you played right tackle or do you just know you could?

"My first two years in high school I played right tackle. I moved to center my sophomore spring."

Who was your favorite Colts player?

"Jeff Saturday."

Did you watch Jeff Saturday and do you pattern your game after him?

"I would say honestly I pattern more of my game off my brother. That's who I grew up watching. Even in high school, he had success when I was going into high school. That's who I learned from a lot. That's who I watched at Notre Dame. I started with him his last year, but I took two years to really watch him and his

habits on and off the field and how he became the player he is and watching him in the NFL, too."

WR BRAXTON MILLER CONFERENCE CALL

What do you feel like you bring to the table as a wide receiver and how much do you still have to learn at that position?

"Oh man, explosiveness, big-play ability, speed, quickness, strength and just making people miss in a smaller area. Just making it easy for my quarterback and the offensive coordinator to call plays."

The camera caught you saying, 'right where I wanted to go.' Why was this such an appealing place for you?

"Me and Coach Bill O'Brien have a couple historic moments together when he used to coach at Penn State. Coach (Mike) Vrabel is a coach out there and my former teammate John Simon. It's a lovely place to be, too. They need offensive playmakers like me. That's one place I really looked at and I really wanted to go to."

Are you looking forward to playing with Texans WR DeAndre Hopkins?

"Oh yeah, for sure. All of them, Will Fuller, D-Hop (DeAndre Hopkins), (Jaalen) Strong. The crew is going to be strong now. We're good."

What do you need to get better at and learn as a wide receiver?

"Just everything. I'm just trying to be the best I can be every time I step on the field, practice field, game field, weight room, and just little things. I want to get better at my outside game, too."

Can you wrap your head around everything that has gone on with your career at Ohio State?

"It hit me, but it hasn't hit me yet. I'm very blessed and very thankful to be in the spot I am today. Some guys really don't get their names called on days like this. I'm very thankful. This is a place I really want to be at. I'm here. I'm there. It's a lovely feeling."

What contact did you have with the Texans before the draft?

"Yeah, we met at the Senior Bowl. I talked to them at the Combine. They came down and worked me out individually."

What was the decision to switch to wide receiver a difficult one?

"No, just growing up and being an athlete all my life. I had two arm surgeries. The difficult thing was I really couldn't throw 45 yards. The easier decision was to change my position. I was very comfortable changing it, but the thing was I didn't know if I wanted to change to defense or offense. I like getting the ball in my hands and making people miss. I'd rather do that."

Were you not cleared to throw when that senior season started?

"Yeah, I was cleared to throw, but I can't throw over 45 yards so there was no reason for me to be a starting quarterback."

Do you have that full range back now?

"Oh no, I'm 100 percent. It's actually something in my left shoulder. It came back real great. That's why I took a year off."

Do you expect to be involved in returns as a rookie?

"For me, that's a cheat code. If I'm back there returning and after I return the ball, I'm going back on offense, that's a cheat code. That's an excellent way to get the ball in a playmakers hands. I'm available whatever they want me to do."

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Why was it significant for you guys to get faster on offense in the draft this year?

Bill O'Brien: "You know, one of the things we did, and you've heard me say this a bunch, is right after the season we sat down and we evaluated our team. Rick (Smith) and I sat down and that takes a lot of time, then based on that that's how you start the strategy of the free agency period and the draft period. I think one of the things we identified while we were evaluating our team was how can we become a little faster, a little bit more athletic in certain areas? I think that's a goal that we had, but that wasn't the only goal. Obviously with the drafting of D.J. Reader, we're not drafting a guy that runs a 4.3 40 there, but it was part of the strategy heading into the offseason and give Rick and his guys a lot of credit. They really identified a lot of guys that fit that mold."

Take us through the three picks today.

Rick Smith: "Well the first young man out of San Jose State is another dynamic player. Again, if there's a theme to the draft, I think it's adding dimensions, adding speed, that kind of thing, and he is a very versatile player, a young man that has some return ability, but actually dual-return ability in the sense that he could do some punts and maybe even kickoff, so he'll be in that mix of guys that will be competing for that as well. The versatility aspect of what he adds was what was attractive to us for him. Then the second two picks, we did a lot of work on the West Virginia safeties, both those guys, and we liked both those guys and really (K.J.) Dillon was a player who really took over that secondary when the other young man went down and he's just an aggressive player. He's got some dual ability to come down in the box and also play in space. He's got some coverage ability, really competitive high energy type of player so we really like his skill set and like his playing temperament. Then the big nose is a really good scheme fit, high-character young man, a really aggressive player. If you watch those last few games this year, he really has the ability to dominate and really play at a high level. We think both those two later picks are good value picks for us."

Bill, if you had to start tomorrow and play a game who's the right defense end?

Bill O'Brien: "Well we don't have to play a game tomorrow, so that's a hypothetical. We have a lot of candidates. We have a number of guys on the defensive line job that are versatile guys that can play defensive end, that can play nose, so there's a number of guys. I'm not going to list the names. I think that's something that we start to think about as we head into the first week of Phase Two. Monday is the first day we can actually go out on the field and work with our guys. There are a number of different things that we're going to look at, and we've really had a good weekend here and we'll begin that process of putting it all together on the 90-man roster when the rookies get here. Lot of moving parts right now and we're looking forward to Monday and getting going."

This is the first time since 2002 the Texans have gone with offensive players in the first four rounds, can you talk about the focus on offense and why it was important?

Rick Smith: "Well I think a lot of it has to do with what Bill (O'Brien) articulated with respect to how we looked at our football team and some of the goals that we had going into the offseason. That had something to do with, again I talked last night about how the draft, some of it is just how the board falls. We were fortunate to be in multiple positions where we had guys that we really liked at the corresponding values. We were able to take those guys and they spoke to the intent that we were looking for with respect with trying to get faster. That's really what it's about. It was something that we

were wanting to try to add to our football team and were fortunate that at those places where we took those players, that they were available."

You guys have a lot of guys who have overcome a lot, K.J. Dillon with diabetes and D.J. Reader's dad passing away, what does that say about players who can overcome personal adversity?

Bill O'Brien: "There's a number of guys that, really that's one thing that's struck me about a number of guys even in the last three drafts that I've been involved in is how many guys are out there that have really been able to overcome adversity and mature and grow. I think you see good examples of that in our draft class. Every one of these guys has faced adversity at some point in time during their college career whether it was brought on by themselves or something that happened with their family, whatever it might be, an illness like you said, and I think all these guys have that trait of being able to overcome adversity and be better for it. They've all matured and I think they're all excited about being here."

A lot has been said about speed but what about versatility?

Bill O'Brien: "That's one thing that you guys know that we talk about all the time on the 53-man roster and really eventually looking towards the 46-man roster on game day which we're way away from that but you have to have guys that have versatility, because if you have one-hole players at a number of positions that's a difficult thing if somebody were to get injured or there was something that you had to make a move during the game, the versatile player is somebody that really helps you out a lot whether it's a receiver or a defensive lineman or an offensive lineman or so on and so forth, so versatility with a number of these positions is important to us."

Having QB Brock Osweiler and all this speed now, how can it change your offense?

Bill O'Brien: "Yeah, that's something we really have planned for. Just looking at the candidates that we may draft before the draft started. We really had a good plan for a number of different guys that if they were there and Rick (Smith) decided to draft them, then we had plans for these guys. We have a lot of things we have to work on tomorrow, really starting tomorrow to get ready for Monday. But especially next week getting ready for when the rookies get here for Rookie Minicamp because we have a number of different guys that we've added now this weekend that make our offense a lot different in a number of different ways. Then there's certain parts of our offense that will be the same. I'm talking about personnel groups. I'm talking about scheme. I'm talking about the whole thing. We've got a lot of plans that we've already discussed and now were able to focus in on the ones that were going to use on the players that we drafted."

Does not having a sixth or seventh round pick help you with college free agents?

Rick Smith: "Well, obviously, we're restricted to what we can do until the draft is over. So the work and preparation has already been done. Relationships have been built and the opportunities – these players know. What happens is as we have added these players that impacts some of the other guy's potential feeling about their ability to be here. Those are things that we will just have to adjust to. Our coaches and scouts have done a great job of being organized. As soon as the draft is over, we'll be ready to roll with that."

Tyler Ervin contributed on offense and special teams. How much does that impact your thinking?

Rick Smith: "Yeah, he's a dynamic football player. That's exactly right. Those stats are impressive. For a smaller stature guy, he's not a little guy. He doesn't have a lot of height, but he's a tough, durable football player. He does have good ball security, like you mentioned. Again, I just think with his skill set and his versatility, there are a lot of things we can do with the young man."

Is it tempting to throw a lot at WR Braxton Miller and will you focus on certain things with him?

Bill O'Brien: "That's something we talked about really late into the night last night when, like I said before, when Rick (Smith) picked Braxton. We picked Braxton, that was something that we immediately stated discussing because, as I said in the other answer, he was a part of a number of these candidates that we knew if they came here, we'd have a plan for them. So we have a plan for Braxton. You can't throw everything at these guys right away because you have to give them a chance to learn and to be able to play fast, to be able to play the game at a good pace, the way that they played in college. We're going to take it day-by-day with him and try to give him things that he can handle on a day-to-day basis. One thing about him is he's football smart. When we spent time with him, he was able to – because of his quarterback background and moving to receiver, he's got really high football intelligence we believe. We'll be able to give him a lot, but not overboard."

WR DeAndre Hopkins expressed excitement on Twitter yesterday about the draft picks you made. How do you see some of the moves you made impacting the way you use him?

Bill O'Brien: "First of all, these guys need to come in and do it, so that he doesn't get double-teamed. Until they actually go out there and do it –and that's what they're going to come in here and do – they'll be some double teams on a guy that caught 111 balls. He's a great player. You know, I think one of the things that we looked at was, in some way, shape or form, trying to give him some help. Trying to get it where he could be more one-on-one and things like that. I think that's what we've done with this offensive skill draft class. We've taken some guys that we think can really help us in space, help us at the receiver position and help us do a lot of different things, which in turn will help DeAndre and free him up a little bit more."

How confident are you guys in the tight end position right now?

Bill O'Brien: "We're confident. We see these guys, they've been back here for a couple of weeks now. Ryan Griffin, C.J. Fiedorowicz, those two guys have really come back in great shape. They have a much deeper, better understanding of our offense, now going into their third year with it. We feel confident about that position and where we're at right now. Of course, as time wears on, roster management and all those different things, we're not even close to training camp. Anything can happen. But of the guys we have in the building right now, we're confident in those guys."

RB TYLER ERVIN CONFERENCE CALL

How does it feel to be a Texan?

"Oh man, I'm so, so excited, truly a dream come true. I was just talking to my dad and the rest of my family, and everybody is just super excited. Crazy story a lot of people don't know, but my brother lives about 15 minutes away from the stadium, so he and his family are out there. I have a few cousins and a lot of family out there, so I'm really excited to be a part of the Texans organization. It's really a dream come true."

How much do you feel like your versatility helped you get drafted by the Texans?

"Well I think people that are able to do a couple more things in their natural position are always going to be valuable. I've always prided myself on trying to be able to do as much as I can on the field, so it's paid off and hopefully I can continue to contribute with the Texans organization."

How do you happen to have so much family down in Houston?

"It just happens to be that. One day, a lot of them just picked up and they found jobs out there, and they never looked back. It's

something that's really positive for the family, so that's kind of how it happened. A lot of my family is from out here in California, a good chunk of them just moved to Houston I want to say about five or six years ago. It's really exciting."

Is there an advantage for you being a smaller running back?

"I think that it just allows me to be a little bit more shifty and allows me to not take as many punishing hits, so when it comes to being able to navigate yourself through the line and all that kind of stuff, it's more of a mentality. I really don't care about trying to be the biggest back or even trying to be the fastest back. I know my game and I'm just really happy that I can get the chance to play with the Houston Texans."

Tell us about your visit here and did you get a good feeling from the Texans?

"Well no, so actually the Texans came and worked me out. I got a chance to meet the running back coach, great guy, and I'm just really excited because it's one of those times where you kind of see something coming to fruition and like I said, I'm just really excited."

Do you want to continue the success you've had in returning kicks?

"Yeah, most definitely. Hopefully I can contribute in that aspect. Whatever the coaches want me to do, I'd be willing to do."

Is there anyone in the league that you've patterned your play off of?

"I don't think there's anybody in particular. I've been compared to a lot of different people whether it was Jamaal Charles, or Darren Sproles, so just being in the conversation with guys like that, I think that we have something that's really in common is - I think we're all playmakers. I'm just excited to get the chance to have an opportunity, especially for a great organization."

What do you think being drafted is going to do to your barber career?

"Oh man, you know what, I'm not really sure. Hopefully maybe some of the guys will let me give them some cuts, but you know I'm excited about that too."

Since you have family here, have you spent time in Houston?

"Yeah, I was actually in Houston not too long ago, a few months ago. Whenever I have a chance to go down and visit my family, I make the time."

What's it like to be the youngest of four siblings?

"Oh man, it's awesome. My family is all here except for my brother. He's out there in Houston right now. I had a chance to talk to him right after the pick. He's like, 'man, what are the chances of this happening?' So me and him will have a chance to be around each other more often and see each other. I'm really happy about that."

How big do you think the Senior Bowl was for you?

"I think it was big because playing at San Jose State, we might not necessarily get as much exposure as some of the other conferences. Getting a chance to play on such a big stage was awesome."

How did you become a skilled barber?

"Oh man, it just happened out of nowhere really. Actually, one of my good friends is my barber. He's been cutting my hair for about 10 years now, so ever since I was a kid. But once I got to high school, I really started getting curious. One day, I just went to Walmart. It's crazy because my first pair of clippers were a pair of wall clippers that you get - I think they were like 12 bucks. Then after that, I had to find somebody that will let me cut their hair. I didn't want to mess up on myself so I chose my little nephew at the time he was about four-years old. I cut his hair and sure enough it

came out pretty good, so I was like, 'you know what, I think I can do this.' I just kept getting better and better and turned in to being a pretty good barber as well."

S K.J. DILLON CONFERENCE CALL

Are you excited to be joining the Texans?

"I'm super excited to be part of the Houston Texans."

How much contact did you have with the Texans before the draft?

"I talked to them at the Senior Bowl and then I talked to them at the combine, but they didn't work me out or anything, but you know I'm glad they picked me."

What do you bring to the table as a safety all around?

"I'm versatile, man. I can cover guys, I can play deep, I can play in the box, I can blitz. I do a lot of things, so versatility is one of my best attributes."

Is there a player you model your game after?

"The player I like the most is Sean Taylor. I just like to model myself after him, but he's a great player and I just want to be like him."

Everyone talked a lot about Karl Joseph, so what is your relationship like with him and what do you bring to the table in your own right?

"Karl is the man, like I said I look up to Karl. He's like a big brother to me, that's my brother. We always did things together, but now it's going to be funny how we do things apart from each other, but I'm looking forward to it."

Can you talk about your relationship with West Virginia Head Coach Dana Holgorsen?

"Holgorsen, you know he gave me a chance coming out of Apoka. He wasn't the coach that recruited me, he was the head coach but he wasn't my recruiter, so I didn't really know him, but then when I got there we had a funny relationship because we were knocking heads at first because we are the same guy. We both like things our way. Then I had to really grow up and realize that he was the head coach, but for now I love him for giving me a chance."

What do you think about getting the chance to play with DE J.J. Watt?

"Man, J.J. Watt, just saying his name brings me chills to my body, just to be able to be on the same field as him with (Jadeveon) Clowney and Vince Wilfork and other guys like that, it's awesome. I think we can really do some good things on this defense."

Does K.J. stand for something?

"My real name is Kimlon Dillon. I'm a junior, so I didn't really like going by Kimlon because that's my father's name. I wanted to be my own person, so I just created the K.J."

Can you tell us about the season that you battled severe dehydration?

"It was just after the Texas game my sophomore year. We had played over 100 something snaps and it was hot out there. You know how people say they give it all, well I really gave it my all. I didn't have anything left in the tank. Since I'm type-one diabetic, they thought it was something to do with my diabetes, but it wasn't I was just extremely dehydrated."

How do you deal with your diabetes and play football?

"It's no problem at all. I just go about my day like a regular person just as long as I take my medicine, so I've been on that ever since I got it. I'm doing good now, you know that, and now that I'm in the NFL I'll probably be even better."

NT D.J. READER CONFERENCE CALL

What do you think about being drafted by the Texans?

"Just excited, it's a great program and a great team and a great group of coaches."

What do you think about getting to play with DE J.J. Watt?

"Oh man, it's crazy. You know, that's a guy you look up to, especially one of the best to ever play. The best in my opinion to ever play defensive line. The best doing it. You look up to him and a guy who brings a great work ethic to practice every day and just lives his life the best way he can, so it's going to be good to be able to study under a guy like that."

Can you talk about your journey and what you've been through to get to this point?

"I've through a lot, from a young kid, people telling me I couldn't do things, going off to college and losing my dad, and just working for everything I've ever gotten and even now still dealing with missing the few games this year. It's a been a big battle but it's something that I dealt with, that I took in stride as a man and it's made me a better person."

When you decided to step away, was that because of the grieving process?

"It was a lot of the grieving process. It was due to me just getting help and grieving, something I needed to deal with."

Do you think going through all this has made you stronger?

"Oh yeah, I think it definitely has made me a better person. It's helped me out a lot as an individual and helped me grow as a man."

Did you have any idea the Texans had interest in you?

"Yeah, I took a visit out to the Texans, so I thought they had interest but I didn't know. A lot of teams showed interest so I was just trying to stay level-headed and see where things were going to go."

What other teams did you visit?

"I went to Tennessee, San Francisco and the New York Giants."

Do you think you'll be a nose tackle or a 3-4 end?

"I think I'll play nose tackle."

Is there anybody in particular you followed in your career that you look up to or pattern yourself after?

"Vince (Wilfork) is definitely a guy that you look up to, especially playing defensive line, he's done it for so long. Guys like J.J. (Watt) and Star Lotulelei a bunch of guys around the league that you look up to. It's not a glorified position so you know the guys who play it, you look up to a lot of guys."

How much do you weigh right now?

"I think I'm at about 333 right now."

Have you lined up anywhere else other than nose tackle?

"I've played anywhere on the defensive line, anywhere from the zero to the five. In Clemson's scheme we play every position on the defensive line depending on what package we're in, so I've played everywhere out there."

When's the last time you picked up a baseball bat?

"Last night actually, just got tired of listening and waiting and watching the draft, went out and took some dry swings and hit some balls off the tee."

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2002

Rd	Pick	Pos.	Player	College
1	1	QB	David Carr	Fresno State
2	33	WR	Jabar Gaffney	Florida
2	50	T	Chester Pitts	San Diego State
3	66	C	Fred Weary	Tennessee
3	83	DT	Charles Hill	Maryland
4	99	RB	Jonathan Wells	Ohio State
5	136	FB	Jarrold Baxter	New Mexico
5	153	FS	Ramon Walker	Pittsburgh
6	173	CB	DeMarcus Faggins	Kansas State
6	190	DT	Howard Green	LSU
7	229	LB	Greg White	Minnesota
7	261	DT	Ahmad Miller	UNLV

2002 SUPPLEMENTAL DRAFT

6		G	Milford Brown	Florida State
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2003

Rd	Pick	Pos.	Player	College
1	3	WR	Andre Johnson	Miami
2	41	*TE	Bennie Joppru	Michigan
3	67	DE	Antwan Peek	Cincinnati
3	75	T	Seth Wand	NW Missouri St.
3	88	QB	Dave Ragone	Louisville
4	104	RB	Domanick Williams	LSU
6	192	QB	Drew Henson	Michigan
6	214	DT	Keith Wright	Missouri
7	217	SS	Curry Burns	Louisville
7	233	LS	Chance Pearce	Texas A&M

2003 SUPPLEMENTAL DRAFT

2		RB	Tony Hollings	Georgia Tech
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2004

Rd	Pick	Pos.	Player	College
1	10	CB	Dunta Robinson	South Carolina
1	27	DE	Jason Babin	Western Michigan
4	122	S	Glenn Earl	Notre Dame
6	170	CB	Vontez Duff	Notre Dame
6	175	FS	Jammal Lord	Nebraska
6	200	LB	Charlie Anderson	Mississippi
7	210	DE	Raheem Orr	Rutgers
7	211	WR	Sloan Thomas	Texas
7	248	QB	B.J. Symons	Texas Tech

2005

Rd	Pick	Pos.	Player	College
1	16	DT	Travis Johnson	Florida State
3	73	RB	Vernand Morency	Oklahoma State
4	114	WR	Jerome Mathis	Hampton
5	151	C	Drew Hodgdon	Arizona State
6	188	SS	C.C. Brown	La.-Lafayette
7	227	LB	Kenneth Pettway	Grambling State

2006

Rd	Pick	Pos.	Player	College
1	1	DE	Mario Williams	North Carolina St.
2	33	LB	DeMeco Ryans	Alabama
3	65	T	Charles Spencer	Pittsburgh
3	66	T	Eric Winston	Miami
4	98	TE	Owen Daniels	Wisconsin
6	170	RB	Wali Lundy	Virginia
7	251	WR	David Anderson	Colorado State

2007

Rd	Pick	Pos.	Player	College
1	10	DT	Amobi Okoye	Louisville
3	73	WR	Jacoby Jones	Lane College
4	123	CB	Fred Bennett	South Carolina
5	144	*S	Brandon Harrison	Stanford
5	163	T	Brandon Frye	Virginia Tech
6	183	G	Kasey Studdard	Texas
7	218	LB	Zac Diles	Kansas State

2008

Rd	Pick	Pos.	Player	College
1	26	T	Duane Brown	Virginia Tech
3	79	CB	Antwaun Molden	Eastern Kentucky
3	89	RB	Steve Slaton	West Virginia
4	118	LB	Xavier Adibi	Virginia Tech
5	151	DT	Frank Okam	Texas
6	173	S	Dominique Barber	Minnesota
7	223	QB	Alex Brink	Washington State

2009

Rd	Pick	Pos.	Player	College
1	15	LB	Brian Cushing	USC
2	46	DE	Connor Barwin	Cincinnati
3	77	G	Antoine Caldwell	Alabama
4	112	CB	Glover Quin	New Mexico
4	122	TE	Anthony Hill	North Carolina St.
5	152	TE	James Casey	Rice
6	188	CB	Brice McCain	Utah
7	223	*S	Troy Nolan	Arizona State

2010

Rd	Pick	Pos.	Player	College
1	20	CB	Kareem Jackson	Alabama
2	58	*RB	Ben Tate	Auburn
3	81	DT	Earl Mitchell	Arizona
4	102	LB	Darryl Sharpton	Miami
4	118	TE	Garrett Graham	Wisconsin
5	144	CB	Sherrick McManis	Northwestern
6	187	G	Shelley Smith	Colorado State
6	197	*WR	Trindon Holliday	LSU
7	227	TE	Dorin Dickerson	Pittsburgh

2011

Rd	Pick	Pos.	Player	College
1	11	DE	J.J. Watt	Wisconsin
2	42	OLB	Brooks Reed	Arizona
2	60	CB	Brandon Harris	Miami
4	127	*CB	Roc Carmichael	Virginia Tech
5	144	S	Shiloh Keo	Idaho
5	152	QB	T.J. Yates	North Carolina
7	214	T	Derek Newton	Arkansas State
7	254	OLB	Cheta Ozougwu	Rice

2012

Rd	Pick	Pos.	Player	College
1	26	OLB	Whitney Mercilus	Illinois
3	68	WR	DeVier Posey	Ohio State
3	76	G	Brandon Brooks	Miami (Ohio)
4	99	C	Ben Jones	Georgia
4	121	WR	Keshawn Martin	Michigan State
4	126	DE	Jared Crick	Nebraska
5	161	*K	Randy Bullock	Texas A&M
6	195	T	Nick Mondek	Purdue

2013

Rd	Pick	Pos.	Player	College
1	27	WR	DeAndre Hopkins	Clemson
2	57	S	D.J. Swearinger	South Carolina
3	89	*T	Brennan Williams	North Carolina
3	95	OLB	Sam Montgomery	LSU
4	124	*OLB	Trevarro Williams	Connecticut
6	176	*T	David Quessenberry	San Jose State
6	195	*WR	Alan Bonner	Jacksonville State
6	198	DT	Chris Jones	Bowling Green
6	201	TE	Ryan Griffin	Connecticut

2014

Rd	Pick	Pos.	Player	College
1	1	OLB	Jadeveon Clowney	South Carolina
2	33	G	Xavier Su'a-Filo	UCLA
3	65	TE	C.J. Fiedorowicz	Iowa
3	83	*NT	Louis Nix III	Notre Dame
4	135	QB	Tom Savage	Pittsburgh
6	177	DE	Jeffrey Pagan	Alabama
6	181	RB	Alfred Blue	LSU
6	211	FB	Jay Prosch	Auburn
7	216	CB	Andre Hal	Vanderbilt
7	256	*S	Lonnie Ballentine	Memphis

2015

Rd	Pick	Player	College	
1	16	CB	Kevin Johnson	Wake Forest
2	43	LB	Benardrick McKinney	Mississippi St.
3	70	WR	Jaalen Strong	Arizona St.
5	175	WR	Keith Mumphery	Michigan St.
6	*211	LB	Reshard Cliett	South Florida
6	216	DT	Christian Covington	Rice
7	235	RB	Kenny Hilliard	LSU

2016

Rd	Pick	Player	College	
1	21	WR	Will Fuller	Notre Dame
2	50	C	Nick Martin	Notre Dame
3	85	WR	Braxton Miller	Ohio State
4	119	RB	Tyler Ervin	San Jose State
5	159	S	K.J. Dillon	West Virginia
5	166	NT	D.J. Reader	Clemson

Bold indicates made active roster that season

* Indicates placed on injured reserve

NOTE: Some players played positions different than what they are listed at

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LINEBACKERS (15)

Year	Player	Round	Overall
2015	Benardrick McKinney	2	43
2015	Reshard Cliett	6	211
2014	Jadeveon Clowney	1	1
2013	Sam Montgomery	3	95
2013	Trevardo Williams	4	124
2012	Whitney Mercilus	1	26
2011	Brooks Reed	2	42
2011	Cheta Ozougwu	7	254
2010	Darryl Sharpton	4	102
2009	Brian Cushing	1	15
2008	Xavier Adibi	4	118
2007	Zac Diles	7	218
2006	DeMeco Ryans	2	33
2005	Kenneth Pettway	7	227
2004	Charlie Anderson	6	200

WIDE RECEIVERS (15)

Year	Player	Round	Overall
2016	Will Fuller	1	21
2016	Braxton Miller	3	85
2015	Jaelen Strong	3	70
2015	Keith Mumphery	5	175
2013	DeAndre Hopkins	1	27
2013	Alan Bonner	6	195
2012	DeVier Posey	3	68
2012	Keshawn Martin	4	121
2010	Trindon Holliday	6	197
2007	Jacoby Jones	3	73
2006	David Anderson	7	251
2005	Jerome Mathis	4	114
2004	Sloan Thomas	7	211
2003	Andre Johnson	1	3
2002	Jabar Gaffney	2	33

CORNERBACKS (13)

Year	Player	Round	Overall
2015	Kevin Johnson	1	16
2014	Andre Hal	7	216
2011	Brandon Harris	2	60
2011	Roc Carmichael	4	127
2010	Kareem Jackson	1	20
2010	Sherrick McManis	5	144
2009	Glover Quin	4	112
2009	Brice McCain	6	188
2008	Antwaun Molden	3	79
2007	Fred Bennett	4	123
2004	Dunta Robinson	1	10
2004	Vontez Duff	6	170
2002	DeMarcus Faggins	6	173

SAFETIES (12)

Year	Player	Round	Overall
2016	K.J. Dillon	5	159
2014	Lonnie Ballentine	7	256
2013	D.J. Swearingen	2	57
2011	Shiloh Keo	5	144
2009	Troy Nolan	7	223
2008	Dominique Barber	6	173
2007	Brandon Harrison	5	144
2005	C.C. Brown	6	188
2004	Glenn Earl	4	122
2004	Jammal Lord	6	175
2003	Curry Burns	7	217
2002	Ramon Walker	5	153

DEFENSIVE TACKLES (12)

Year	Player	Round	Overall
2016	D.J. Reader	5	166
2015	Christian Covington	6	216
2014	Louis Nix III	3	83
2013	Chris Jones	6	198
2010	Earl Mitchell	3	81
2008	Frank Okam	5	151
2007	Amobi Okoye	1	10
2005	Travis Johnson	1	16
2003	Keith Wright	6	214
2002	Charles Hill	3	83
2002	Howard Green	6	190
2002	Ahmad Miller	7	261

RUNNING BACKS/FULLBACKS (11)

Year	Player	Round	Overall
2016	Tyler Ervin	4	119
2015	Kenny Hilliard	7	235
2014	Alfred Blue	6	181
2014	Jay Prosch (FB)	6	211
2010	Ben Tate	2	33
2008	Steve Slaton	3	89
2006	Wali Lundy	6	170
2005	Vernand Morency	3	73
2003	Domanick Williams	4	101
2002	Jonathan Wells	4	99
2002	Jarrold Baxter (FB)	5	136

OFFENSIVE TACKLES (10)

Year	Player	Round	Overall
2013	Brennan Williams	3	89
2013	David Quessenberry	6	176
2012	Nick Mondek	6	195
2011	Derek Newton	7	214
2008	Duane Brown	1	26
2007	Brandon Frye	5	163
2006	Charles Spencer	3	65
2006	Eric Winston	3	66
2003	Seth Wand	3	75
2002	Chester Pitts	2	50

DEFENSIVE ENDS (9)

Year	Player	Round	Overall
2014	Jeffrey Pagan	6	177
2012	Jared Crick	4	126
2011	J.J. Watt	1	11
2009	Connor Barwin	2	46
2006	Mario Williams	1	1
2004	Jason Babin	1	27
2004	Raheem Orr	7	210
2003	Antwan Peek	3	67
2002	Stylez G White	7	229

TIGHT ENDS (8)

Year	Player	Round	Overall
2014	C.J. Fiedorowicz	3	65
2013	Ryan Griffin	6	201
2010	Garrett Graham	4	118
2010	Dorin Dickerson	7	227
2009	Anthony Hill	4	122
2009	James Casey	5	152
2006	Owen Daniels	4	98
2003	Bennie Joppru	2	41

QUARTERBACKS (7)

Year	Player	Round	Overall
2014	Tom Savage	4	135
2011	T.J. Yates	5	152
2008	Alex Brink	7	223
2004	B.J. Symons	7	248
2004	Drew Henson	6	192
2003	Dave Ragone	3	88
2002	David Carr	1	1

GUARDS (5)

Year	Player	Round	Overall
2014	Xavier Su'a-Filo	2	33
2012	Brandon Brooks	3	76
2010	Shelley Smith	6	187
2009	Antoine Caldwell	3	77
2007	Kasey Studdard	6	183

CENTERS/LONG SNAPPERS (5)

Year	Player	Round	Overall
2016	Nick Martin	2	50
2012	Ben Jones	4	99
2005	Drew Hodgdon	5	151
2003	Chance Pearce (LS)	7	233
2002	Fred Weary	3	66

KICKERS/PUNTERS (1)

Year	Player	Round	Overall
2012	Randy Bullock	5	161

NOTE: Some players played different positions after being drafted

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LSU

DT Howard Green, 2002
RB Domanick Williams, 2003
WR/KR Trindon Holliday, 2010
OLB Sam Montgomery, 2013
RB Alfred Blue, 2014
RB Kenny Hilliard, 2015

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NOTRE DAME

SS Glenn Earl, 2004
CB Vontez Duff, 2004
NT Louis Nix III, 2014
WR Will Fuller, 2016
C Nick Martin, 2016

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ALABAMA

LB DeMeco Ryans, 2006
C Antoine Caldwell, 2009
CB Kareem Jackson, 2010
DE Jeffrey Pagan, 2014

MIAMI

WR Andre Johnson, 2003
T Eric Winston, 2006
LB Darryl Sharpton, 2010
CB Brandon Harris, 2011

PITTSBURGH

SS Ramon Walker, 2002
T Charles Spencer, 2006
WR Dorin Dickerson, 2010
QB Tom Savage, 2014

SOUTH CAROLINA

CB Dunta Robinson, 2004
CB Fred Bennett, 2007
S D.J. Swearinger, 2013
OLB Jadeveon Clowney, 2014

VIRGINIA TECH

T Brandon Frye, 2007
T Duane Brown, 2008
LB Xavier Adibi, 2008
CB Roc Carmichael, 2011

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ARIZONA STATE

C Drew Hodgdon, 2005
S Troy Nolan, 2009
WR Jaelen Strong, 2015

LOUISVILLE

QB Dave Ragone, 2003
SS Curry Burns, 2003
DT Amobi Okoye, 2007

OHIO STATE

RB Jonathan Wells, 2002
WR DeVier Posey, 2012
WR Braxton Miller, 2016

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RICE

TE James Casey, 2009
LB Cheta Ozougwu, 2011
DT Christian Covington, 2015

TEXAS

WR Sloan Thomas, 2004
G Kasey Studdard, 2007
DT Frank Okam, 2008

WISCONSIN

TE Owen Daniels, 2006
TE Garrett Graham, 2010
DE J.J. Watt, 2011

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ARIZONA

DT Earl Mitchell, 2010
LB Brooks Reed, 2011

AUBURN

FB Jay Prosch, 2014
RB Ben Tate, 2010

CINCINNATI

LB Antwan Peek, 2003
DE Connor Barwin, 2009

CLEMSON

WR DeAndre Hopkins, 2013

NT D.J. Reader, 2016

COLORADO STATE

WR David Anderson, 2006
G Shelley Smith, 2010

CONNECTICUT

OLB Trevarde Williams, 2013
TE Ryan Griffin, 2013

KANSAS STATE

CB DeMarcus Faggins, 2002
LB Zac Diles, 2007

MICHIGAN

TE Bennie Joppru, 2003
QB Drew Henson, 2003

MINNESOTA

LB Greg White, 2002
S Dominique Barber, 2008

NEBRASKA

FS Jammal Lord, 2004
DE Jared Crick, 2012

NEW MEXICO

FB Jarrod Baxter, 2002
CB Glover Quin, 2009

NORTH CAROLINA

QB T.J. Yates, 2011
T Brennan Williams, 2013

NORTH CAROLINA STATE

DE Mario Williams, 2006
TE Anthony Hill, 2009

SAN JOSE STATE

T David Quessenberry, 2013

RB Tyler Ervin, 2016

TEXAS A&M

LS/C Chance Pearce, 2003
K Randy Bullock, 2012

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MICHIGAN STATE

WR Keshawn Martin, 2012
WR Keith Mumphery, 2015

WEST VIRGINIA

RB Steve Slaton, 2008
S K.J. Dillon, 2016

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ARKANSAS STATE

T Derek Newton, 2011

BOWLING GREEN

DT Chris Jones, 2013

EASTERN KENTUCKY

CB Antwaun Molden, 2008

FLORIDA

WR Jabar Gaffney, 2002

FLORIDA STATE

DT Travis Johnson, 2005

FRESNO STATE

QB David Carr, 2002

GEORGIA

C Ben Jones, 2012

GRAMBLING

LB Kenneth Pettway, 2005

HAMPTON

WR Jerome Mathis, 2005

IDAHO

S Shiloh Keo, 2011

IOWA

TE C.J. Fiedorowicz, 2014

ILLINOIS

OLB Whitney Mercilus, 2012

JACKSONVILLE STATE

WR Alan Bonner, 2013

LANE COLLEGE

WR Jacoby Jones, 2007

LOUISIANA-LAFAYETTE

SS C.C. Brown, 2005

MARYLAND

DT Charles Hill, 2002

MEMPHIS

S Lonnie Ballentine, 2014

MIAMI (OHIO)

G Brandon Brooks, 2012

MISSISSIPPI

LB Charlie Anderson, 2004

MISSISSIPPI STATE

LB Benardrick McKinney, 2015

MISSOURI

DT Keith Wright, 2003

NORTHWEST MISSOURI ST.

T Seth Wand, 2003

NORTHWESTERN

CB Sherrick McManis, 2010

OKLAHOMA STATE

RB Vernand Morency, 2005

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PURDUE

T Nick Mondek, 2012

RUTGERS

LB Raheem Orr, 2004

SAN DIEGO STATE

T Chester Pitts, 2002

SOUTH FLORIDA

LB Reshard Cliett, 2015

STANFORD

S Brandon Harrison, 2007

TENNESSEE

G Fred Weary, 2002

TEXAS TECH

QB B.J. Symons, 2004

UCLA

G Xavier Su'a-Filo, 2014

UNLV

DT Ahmad Miller, 2002

USC

LB Brian Cushing, 2009

UTAH

CB Brice McCain, 2009

VANDERBILT

CB Andre Hal, 2014

VIRGINIA

RB Wali Lundy, 2006

WAKE FOREST

CB Kevin Johnson, 2015

WASHINGTON STATE

QB Alex Brink, 2008

WESTERN MICHIGAN

LB Jason Babin, 2004

TEXANS DRAFT HISTORY BY ROUND

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First (16)	Second (12)	Third (21)	Fourth (18)	Fifth (14)	Sixth (24)	Seventh (18)
2002 QB David Carr 1-1 Fresno State	2002 WR Jabar Gaffney 1-33 Florida	2002 C Fred Weary 1-66 Tennessee	2002 RB Jonathan Wells 1-99 Ohio State	2002 RB Jarrod Baxter 1-136 New Mexico	2002 CB Demarcus Faggins 1-173 Kansas State	2002 DE Stylez G White 18-229 Minnesota
2003 WR Andre Johnson 3-3 Miami (Fla.)	2002 T Chester Pitts 18-50 San Diego State	2002 DT Charles Hill 18-83 Maryland	2003 RB Domanick Williams 4-101 LSU	2002 S Ramon Walker 18-153 Pittsburgh	2002 DT Howard Green 18-190 LSU	2002 DT Ahmad Miller 50-261 UNLV
2004 CB Dunta Robinson 10-10 South Carolina	2003 TE Bennie Jopru 9-41 Michigan	2003 DE Antwan Peek 3-67 Cincinnati	2004 S Glenn Earl 26-122 Notre Dame	2005 C Drew Hodgdon 15-151 Arizona State	2003 QB Drew Henson 19-192 Michigan	2003 S Curry Burns 3-217 Louisville
2004 LB Jason Babin 27-27 Western Michigan	2006 LB DeMeco Ryans 1-33 Alabama	2003 T Seth Wand 11-75 NW Missouri State	2005 WR Jerome Mathis 13-114 Hampton	2007 S Brandon Harrison 7-144 Stanford	2003 DT Keith Wright 41-214 Missouri	2003 C Chance Pearce 19-233 Texas A&M
2005 DT Travis Johnson 16-16 Florida State	2009 DE Connor Barwin 14-49 Cincinnati	2003 QB Dave Ragone 24-88 Louisville	2006 TE Owen Daniels 1-98 Wisconsin	2007 T Brandon Frye 26-163 Virginia Tech	2004 CB Vontez Duff 5-170 Notre Dame	2004 DE Raheem Orr 9-210 Rutgers
2006 DE Mario Williams 1-1 North Carolina State	2010 RB Ben Tate 26-58 Auburn	2005 RB Vernand Morency 9-73 Oklahoma State	2007 CB Fred Bennett 24-123 South Carolina	2008 DT Frank Okam 16-151 Texas	2004 S Jammal Lord 10-175 Nebraska	2004 WR Sloan Thomas 10-211 Texas
2007 DT Amobi Okoye 10-10 Louisville	2011 LB Brooks Reed 10-42 Arizona	2006 T Charles Spencer 1-65 Pittsburgh	2008 LB Xavier Adibi 19-118 Virginia Tech	2009 TE James Casey 16-152 Rice	2004 LB Charlie Anderson 35-200 Mississippi	2004 QB B.J. Symons 47-248 Texas Tech
2008 T Duane Brown 26-26 Virginia Tech	2011 CB Brandon Harris 28-60 Miami (Fla.)	2006 T Eric Winston 2-66 Miami (Fla.)	2009 CB Glover Quin 12-112 New Mexico	2010 CB Sherrick McManis 13-144 Northwestern	2005 S C.C. Brown 14-188 Louisiana-Lafayette	2005 LB Kenny Pettway 13-227 Grambling State
2009 LB Brian Cushing 15-15 USC	2013 S D.J. Swearingen 25-57 South Carolina	2007 WR Jacoby Jones 9-73 Lane College	2009 TE Anthony Hill 22-122 North Carolina St.	2011 S Shilo Keo 13-144 Idaho	2006 RB Wali Lundy 1-170 Virginia	2006 WR David Anderson 43-251 Colorado State
2010 CB Kareem Jackson 20-20 Alabama	2014 G Xavier Su'a-Filo 1-33 UCLA	2008 CB Antwaun Molden 16-79 Eastern Kentucky	2010 LB Darryl Sharpton 4-102 Miami (Fla.)	2011 QB T.J. Yates 21-152 North Carolina	2007 G Kasey Studdard 9-183 Texas	2007 LB Zac Diles 8-218 Kansas State
2011 DE J.J. Watt 11-11 Wisconsin	2015 LB Benardrick McKinney 11-43 Mississippi State	2008 RB Steve Slaton 26-89 West Virginia	2010 TE Garrett Graham 20-118 Wisconsin	2012 K Randy Bullock 26-161 Texas A&M	2008 S Dominique Barber 7-173 Minnesota	2008 QB Alex Brink 16-223 Washington State
2012 DE Whitney Mercilus 26-26 Illinois	2016 C Nick Martin 19-50 Notre Dame	2009 G Antoine Caldwell 13-77 Alabama	2011 CB Roc Carmichael 30-127 Virginia Tech	2015 WR Keith Mumphery 39-175 Michigan State	2009 CB Brice McCain 15-188 Utah	2009 S Troy Nolan 14-223 Arizona State
2013 WR DeAndre Hopkins 27-27 Clemson		2010 DT Earl Mitchell 17-81 Arizona	2012 C Ben Jones 4-99 Georgia	2016 S K.J. Dillon 20-159 West Virginia	2010 G Shelley Smith 18-187 Colorado State	2010 TE Dorin Dickerson 20-227 Pittsburgh
2014 DE Jadeveon Clowney 1-1 South Carolina		2012 WR DeVier Posey 5-68 Ohio State	2012 WR Keshawn Martin 26-121 Michigan State	2016 NT D.J. Reader 27-166 Clemson	2010 WR Trindon Holliday 28-197 LSU	2012 T Derek Newton 11-214 Arkansas State
2015 CB Kevin Johnson 16-16 Wake Forest		2012 G Brandon Brooks 13-76 Miami (Ohio)	2012 DE Jared Crick 31-126 Nebraska		2012 T Nick Mondak 25-195 Purdue	2012 LB Cheta Ozugwu 51-254 Rice
2016 WR Will Fuller 21-21 Notre Dame		2013 T Brennan Williams 27-89 North Carolina	2013 LB Trevarde Williams 27-124 Connecticut		2013 T David Quessenberry 8-176 San Jose State	2014 CB Andre Hal 1-216 Vanderbilt
		2013 LB Sam Montgomery 33-95 LSU	2014 QB Tom Savage 35-135 Pittsburgh		2013 WR Alan Bonner 27-195 Jacksonville State	2014 S Lonnie Ballentine 41-256 Memphis
		2014 TE C.J. Fiedorowicz 33-65 Iowa	2016 RB Tyler Ervin 22-159 San Jose State		2013 DT Chris Jones 30-198 Bowling Green	2015 RB Kenny Hilliard 18-235 LSU
		2014 NT Louis Nix III 19-83 Notre Dame			2013 TE Ryan Griffin 33-201 Connecticut	
		2015 WR Jaelen Strong 6-70 Arizona State			2014 DE Jeffrey Pagan 1-177 Alabama	
		2016 WR Braxton Miller 22-85 Ohio State			2014 RB Alfred Blue 5-181 LSU	
					2014 FB Jay Prosch 35-211 Auburn	
					2015 LB Reshard Cliett 35-211 South Florida	
					2015 DT Christian Covington 40-216 Rice	

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The Texans have 46 players on their active roster who were drafted, including 12 former first-round picks, six from the second and fourth rounds, five each from the third, fifth and seventh rounds and seven former sixth-rounders. There are 28 undrafted players on the Texans' 74-man active roster.

FIRST ROUND (12)

<u>Pos.</u>	<u>Player</u>	<u>Year</u>	<u>Pick</u>	<u>Team</u>
T	Duane Brown	2008	26	Houston
OLB	Jadeveon Clowney	2014	1	Houston
LB	Brian Cushing	2009	15	Houston
WR	Will Fuller	2016	21	Houston
WR	DeAndre Hopkins	2013	27	Houston
CB	Kareem Jackson	2010	20	Houston
CB	Kevin Johnson	2015	16	Houston
CB	Johnathan Joseph	2006	24	Cincinnati
OLB	Whitney Mercilus	2012	26	Houston
DE	J.J. Watt	2011	11	Houston
QB	Brandon Weeden	2012	22	Cleveland
NT	Vince Wilfork	2004	21	New England

SECOND ROUND (6)

<u>Pos.</u>	<u>Player</u>	<u>Year</u>	<u>Pick</u>	<u>Team</u>
G	Jeff Allen	2012	44	Kansas City
C	Nick Martin	2016	50	Houston
LB	Benardrick McKinney	2015	43	Houston
QB	Brock Osweiler	2012	57	Denver
DE	Devon Still	2012	53	Cincinnati
G	Xavier Su'a-Filo	2014	33	Houston

THIRD ROUND (5)

<u>Pos.</u>	<u>Player</u>	<u>Year</u>	<u>Pick</u>	<u>Team</u>
C/G	Tony Bergstrom	2012	95	Oakland
ILB	Akeem Dent	2011	91	Atlanta
TE	C.J. Fiedorowicz	2014	65	Houston
WR	Braxton Miller	2016	85	Houston
WR	Jaelen Strong	2015	70	Houston

FOURTH ROUND (6)

<u>Pos.</u>	<u>Player</u>	<u>Year</u>	<u>Pick</u>	<u>Team</u>
S	Quintin Demps	2008	117	Philadelphia
RB	Tyler Ervin	2016	119	Houston
RB	Lamar Miller	2012	97	Miami
QB	Tom Savage	2014	135	Houston
WR	Cecil Shorts III	2011	114	Jacksonville
OLB	John Simon	2013	129	Baltimore

FIFTH ROUND (5)

<u>Pos.</u>	<u>Player</u>	<u>Year</u>	<u>Pick</u>	<u>Team</u>
G	Oday Aboushi	2013	141	N.Y. Jets
S	K.J. Dillon	2016	159	Houston
P	Shane Lechler	2000	142	Oakland
WR	Keith Mumphery	2015	175	Houston
NT	D.J. Reader	2016	166	Houston

SIXTH ROUND (7)

<u>Pos.</u>	<u>Player</u>	<u>Year</u>	<u>Pick</u>	<u>Team</u>
RB	Alfred Blue	2014	181	Houston
LB	Reshard Cliett	2015	211	Houston
DT	Christian Covington	2015	216	Houston
TE	Ryan Griffin	2013	201	Houston
DE	Jeffrey Pagan	2014	177	Houston
FB	Jay Prosch	2014	211	Houston
T	David Quessenberry	2013	176	Houston

SEVENTH ROUND (5)

<u>Pos.</u>	<u>Player</u>	<u>Year</u>	<u>Pick</u>	<u>Team</u>
S	Antonio Allen	2012	242	N.Y. Jets
S	Lonnie Ballentine	2014	256	Houston
CB	Andre Hal	2014	216	Houston
RB	Kenny Hilliard	2015	235	Houston
T	Derek Newton	2011	214	Houston

UNDRAFTED (28)

<u>Pos.</u>	<u>Player</u>	<u>Year</u>	<u>Team</u>
T	Jeff Adams	2012	Dallas
G	Karim Barton	2014	Philadelphia
CB	A.J. Bouye	2013	Houston
ILB	Max Bullough	2014	Houston
T	Chris Clark	2008	Minnesota
TE	Anthony Denham	2014	Houston
S	Kurtis Drummond	2015	Houston
DT	Brandon Dunn	2014	Chicago
C	Dalton Freeman	2013	N.Y. Jets
RB	Jonathan Grimes	2012	Houston
RB	Akeem Hunt	2015	N.Y. Giants
CB	Charles James	2013	N.Y. Giants
T	Kendall Lamm	2015	Houston
WR	Josh Lenz	2013	Chicago
C	Greg Mancz	2015	Houston
T	Andrew McDonald	2012	Miami
S	Corey Moore	2015	Houston
CB	Robert Nelson Jr.	2014	Cleveland
K	Nick Novak	2005	Chicago
LB	Brian Peters	2015	Minnesota
DE	Dan Pettinato	2015	Houston
SS	Eddie Pleasant	2012	Houston
OLB	Gerald Rivers	2013	Los Angeles
G	Chad Slade	2015	Houston
OLB	Carlos Thompson	2015	Houston
TE	Eric Tomlinson	2015	Philadelphia
OLB	Tony Washington Jr.	2015	Houston
LS	Jon Weeks	2010	Houston

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NO.	NAME	POS	HT	WT	AGE	NFL EXP	COLLEGE	HIGH SCHOOL HOMETOWN	2015 Season GP-GS-DNP-IA
78	Aboushi, Oday	G	6-5	308	24	4	Virginia	Brooklyn, N.Y.	7-5-0-8
70	Adams, Jeff	T	6-7	305	26	3	Columbia	Berwyn, Ill.	2-2-0-0
20	Allen, Antonio	S	6-1	210	27	5	South Carolina	Ocala, Fla.	0-0-0-0
79	Allen, Jeff	G	6-4	306	26	5	Illinois	Chicago, Ill.	12-8-0-4
39	Ballentine, Lonnie	S	6-3	215	23	3	Memphis	Memphis, Tenn.	2-0-0-4
73	Barton, Karim	G	6-3	313	24	1	Morgan State	Los Angeles, Calif.	0-0-0-0
68	Bergstrom, Tony	C	6-5	315	29	5	Utah	Salt Lake City, Utah	16-3-0-0
28	Blue, Alfred	RB	6-2	223	24	3	LSU	Boutte, La.	16-9-0-0
21	Bouye, A.J.	CB	6-0	191	24	4	Central Florida	Tucker, Ga.	15-2-0-1
76	Brown, Duane	T	6-4	303	30	9	Virginia Tech	Richmond, Va.	14-14-0-2
53	Bullough, Max	ILB	6-3	249	24	2	Michigan State	Traverse City, Mich.	13-1-0-0
74	Clark, Chris	T	6-5	305	30	8	Southern Miss.	New Orleans, La.	11-4-5-0
98	Cliett, Reshard	ILB	6-2	222	23	2	South Florida	Thomasville, Ga.	0-0-0-0
50	Clowney, Jadeveon	OLB	6-5	266	23	3	South Carolina	Rock Hill, S.C.	13-9-0-3
95	Covington, Christian	NT	6-2	289	22	2	Rice	Vancouver, BC, Canada	15-0-0-1
56	Cushing, Brian	ILB	6-3	249	29	8	Southern California	Park Ridge, N.J.	16-16-0-0
27	Demps, Quintin	S	5-11	208	30	9	Texas-El Paso	San Antonio, Texas	14-13-0-2
81	Denham, Anthony	TE	6-4	235	24	2	Utah	Monterey Park, Calif.	0-0-0-0
50	Dent, Akeem	ILB	6-1	239	28	6	Georgia	Atlanta, Ga.	12-2-0-4
	Dillon, K.J.	S	6-0	210	21	R	West Virginia	Miami, Fla.	0-0-0-0
40	Drummond, Kurtis	S	6-1	208	24	2	Michigan State	Masury, Ohio	9-0-0-0
92	Dunn, Brandon	DT	6-2	300	23	2	Louisville	Louisville, Ky.	12-0-0-1
	Ervin, Tyler	RB	5-10	192	22	R	San Jose State	San Bernardino, Calif.	0-0-0-0
87	Fiedorowicz, C.J.	TE	6-5	265	24	3	Iowa	Johnsburg, Ill.	16-14-0-0
64	Freeman, Dalton	C	6-5	291	25	2	Clemson	Pelion, S.C.	0-0-0-0
15	Fuller V, Will	WR	6-0	184	22	R	Notre Dame	Philadelphia, Pa.	0-0-0-0
84	Griffin, Ryan	TE	6-6	254	26	4	Connecticut	Londonderry, N.H.	9-4-0-0
41	Grimes, Jonathan	RB	5-10	209	26	4	William & Mary	Palmyra, N.J.	14-0-0-2
29	Hal, Andre	S	5-10	188	23	3	Vanderbilt	Port Allen, La.	16-11-0-0
22	Hilliard, Kenny	RB	5-11	226	24	1	LSU	Patterson, La.	0-0-0-0
10	Hopkins, DeAndre	WR	6-1	218	23	4	Clemson	Central, S.C.	16-16-0-0
33	Hunt, Akeem	RB	5-10	190	23	2	Purdue	Covington, Ga.	7-1-0-0
25	Jackson, Kareem	CB	5-10	188	28	7	Alabama	Macon, Ga.	12-10-0-4
31	James, Charles	CB	5-9	179	25	3	Charleston Southern	Jacksonville, Fla.	9-1-0-0
30	Johnson, Kevin	CB	6-0	188	23	2	Wake Forest	Clarksville, Md.	16-10-0-0
24	Joseph, Johnathan	CB	5-11	188	32	11	South Carolina	Rock Hill, S.C.	16-16-0-0
63	Lamm, Kendall	T	6-6	305	23	2	Appalachian State	Charlotte, N.C.	15-4-0-1
9	Lechler, Shane	P	6-2	237	39	17	Texas A&M	East Bernard, Texas	16-0-0-0
19	Lenz, Josh	WR	6-0	195	25	1	Iowa State	Dubuque, Iowa	0-0-0-0
65	Mancz, Greg	C	6-4	301	23	2	Toledo	Cincinnati, Ohio	3-0-0-5
66	Martin, Nick	C	6-4	299	22	R	Notre Dame	Indianapolis, Ind.	0-0-0-0
69	McDonald, Andrew	T	6-6	310	27	2	Indiana	Indianapolis, Ind.	0-0-0-0
55	McKinney, Benardrick	ILB	6-4	246	23	2	Mississippi State	Tunica, Miss.	14-11-0-2
59	Mercilus, Whitney	OLB	6-4	258	25	5	Illinois	Akron, Ohio	16-10-0-0
13	Miller, Braxton	WR	6-1	201	23	R	Ohio State	Springfield, Ohio	0-0-0-0
26	Miller, Lamar	RB	5-10	225	24	5	Miami (Fla.)	Miami, Fla.	16-16-0-0
43	Moore, Corey	S	6-2	206	23	1	Georgia	Griffin, Ga.	1-0-0-0
12	Mumphery, Keith	WR	6-0	215	23	2	Michigan State	Vienna, Ga.	16-3-0-0
32	Nelson, Robert	CB	5-10	180	26	2	Arizona State	Suwanee, Ga.	0-0-0-0
72	Newton, Derek	T	6-6	313	28	6	Arkansas State	Utica, Miss.	16-16-0-0
8	Novak, Nick	K	6-0	198	34	9	Maryland	Charlottesville, Va.	13-0-0-0
17	Osweller, Brock	QB	6-8	240	25	5	Arizona State	Coeur d'Alene, Idaho	8-7-8-0
97	Pagan, Jeffrey	DE	6-3	310	22	3	Alabama	Asheville, N.C.	6-0-3-7
52	Peters, Brian	ILB	6-4	235	27	2	Northwestern	Pickerington, Ohio	12-0-0-1
96	Pettinato, Dan	DE	6-4	277	24	1	Arizona	Grass Valley, Calif.	0-0-0-0
35	Pleasant, Eddie	SS	5-10	210	27	4	Oregon	Compton, Calif.	16-0-0-0
45	Prosch, Jay	FB	6-1	256	23	3	Auburn	Mobile, Ala.	16-2-0-0
77	Quessenberry, David	G	6-5	306	25	3	San Jose State	Encinitas, Calif.	0-0-0-0
	Reader, D.J.	NT	6-3	327	21	R	Clemson	Greensboro, N.C.	0-0-0-0
48	Rivers, Gerald	OLB	6-2	250	25	2	Clemson	Ellenwood, Ga.	0-0-0-0
3	Savage, Tom	QB	6-4	228	25	3	Pittsburgh	Springfield, Pa.	0-0-0-0
18	Shorts III, Cecil	WR	6-0	202	28	6	Mount Union	Cleveland, Ohio	11-4-0-5
51	Simon, John	OLB	6-1	252	25	4	Ohio State	Youngstown, Ohio	16-8-0-0
62	Slade, Chad	G	6-5	315	23	2	Auburn	Moody, Ala.	0-0-0-0
91	Still, Devon	DE	6-5	305	26	4	Penn State	Camden, N.J.	0-0-0-0
11	Strong, Jaelen	WR	6-2	217	22	2	Arizona State	Philadelphia, Pa.	10-1-1-5
71	Su'a-Filo, Xavier	G	6-4	307	25	3	UCLA	American Fork, Utah	11-9-1-4
44	Thompson, Carlos	OLB	6-5	243	24	2	Mississippi	Hollandale, Miss.	2-0-0-1
83	Tomlinson, Eric	TE	6-6	263	24	1	Texas-El Paso	Klein, Texas	0-0-0-0
49	Washington Jr., Tony	OLB	6-4	247	23	1	Oregon	West Los Angeles, Calif.	0-0-0-0
99	Watt, J.J.	DE	6-5	289	27	6	Wisconsin	Pewaukee, Wisc.	16-16-0-0
5	Weeden, Brandon	QB	6-4	228	32	5	Oklahoma State	Oklahoma City, Okla.	6-4-7-3
46	Weeks, Jon	LS	5-10	246	30	7	Baylor	Bethpage, N.Y.	16-0-0-0
75	Wilfork, Vince	NT	6-2	325	34	13	Miami (Fla.)	Boynton Beach, Fla.	16-16-0-0

COACHING ROSTER	
COACH	POSITION
Bill O'Brien	Head Coach
Romeo Crennel	Defensive Coordinator
George Godsey	Offensive Coordinator
Larry Izzo	Special Teams Coordinator
Brian Bell	Assistant Strength and Conditioning
Jim Bernhardt	Director of Football Research
Shane Bowen	Defensive Assistant
John Butler	Secondary
Doug Colman	Assistant Special Teams
Mike Devlin	Offensive Line
Craig Fitzgerald	Head Strength and Conditioning
Sean Hayes	Assistant Strength and Conditioning
Tim Kelly	Offensive Quality Control/Asst. Offensive Line
Will Lawing	Defensive Quality Control
Charles London	Running Backs
Anthony Midget	Assistant Secondary
Pat O'Hara	Offensive Assistant
John Perry	Tight Ends
Sean Ryan	Wide Receivers
Mike Vrabel	Linebackers
Anthony Weaver	Defensive Line

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PLAYER	
Lonnie Ballentine	Bal-en-TINE
A.J. Bouye	boy-YAY
Max Bullough	BULL-ah
Reshard Cliett	reh-SHARD KLY-ett
Jadeveon Clowney	juh-DEV-ee-on
Anthony Denham	DEN-em
C.J. Fiedorowicz	feh-DOR-uh-wits
DeAndre Hopkins	D-Andre
Greg Mancz	MANTS
Whitney Mercilus	MER-sih-lus
Jay Prosch	PRAWSH
Xavier Su'a-Filo	SOO-ah-fee-Io

PARTICIPATION KEY	
GP	Games Played
GS	Games Started
DNP	Did Not Play
IA	Inactive

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3	Tom Savage	QB	6-4	228	25	3	Pittsburgh	Springfield, Pa.	D4-'14
5	Brandon Weeden	QB	6-4	228	32	5	Oklahoma State	Oklahoma City, Okla.	W-'15 (DAL)
8	Nick Novak	K	6-0	198	34	9	Maryland	Charlottesville, Va.	FA-'15
9	Shane Lechler	P	6-2	237	39	17	Texas A&M	East Bernard, Texas	UFA-'13 (OAK)
10	DeAndre Hopkins	WR	6-1	218	23	4	Clemson	Central, S.C.	D1-'13
11	Jaelen Strong	WR	6-2	217	22	2	Arizona State	Philadelphia, Pa.	D3-'15
12	Keith Mumphery	WR	6-0	215	23	2	Michigan State	Vienna, Ga.	D5-'15
13	Braxton Miller	WR	6-1	201	23	R	Ohio State	Springfield, Ohio	D3-'16
15	Will Fuller V	WR	6-0	184	22	R	Notre Dame	Philadelphia, Pa.	D1-'16
17	Brock Osweiler	QB	6-8	240	25	5	Arizona State	Coeur d'Alene, Idaho	UFA-'16 (DEN)
18	Cecil Shorts III	WR	6-0	202	28	6	Mount Union	Cleveland, Ohio	UFA-'15 (JAX)
19	Josh Lenz	WR	6-0	195	25	1	Iowa State	Dubuque, Iowa	FA-'15
20	Antonio Allen	S	6-1	210	27	5	South Carolina	Ocala, Fla.	UFA-'16 (NYJ)
21	A.J. Bouye	CB	6-0	191	24	4	Central Florida	Tucker, Ga.	CFA-'13
22	Kenny Hilliard	RB	5-11	226	24	1	LSU	Patterson, La.	D7-'15
24	Johnathan Joseph	CB	5-11	188	32	11	South Carolina	Rock Hill, S.C.	UFA-'11 (CIN)
25	Kareem Jackson	CB	5-10	188	28	7	Alabama	Macon, Ga.	D1-'10
26	Lamar Miller	RB	5-10	225	24	5	Miami (Fla.)	Miami, Fla.	UFA-'16 (MIA)
27	Quintin Demps	S	5-11	208	30	9	Texas-El Paso	San Antonio, Texas	FA-'15
28	Alfred Blue	RB	6-2	223	24	3	LSU	Boutte, La.	D6b-'14
29	Andre Hal	S	5-10	188	23	3	Vanderbilt	Port Allen, La.	D7a-'14
30	Kevin Johnson	CB	6-0	188	23	2	Wake Forest	Clarksville, Md.	D1-'15
31	Charles James	CB	5-9	179	25	3	Charleston Southern	Jacksonville, Fla.	W-'15 (BAL)
32	Robert Nelson	CB	5-10	180	26	2	Arizona State	Suwanee, Ga.	FA-'15
33	Akeem Hunt	RB	5-10	190	23	2	Purdue	Covington, Ga.	FA-'15
35	Eddie Pleasant	SS	5-10	210	27	4	Oregon	Compton, Calif.	CFA-'12
39	Lonnie Ballentine	S	6-3	215	23	3	Memphis	Memphis, Tenn.	D7b-'14
40	Kurtis Drummond	S	6-1	208	24	2	Michigan State	Masury, Ohio	CFA-'15
41	Jonathan Grimes	RB	5-10	209	26	4	William & Mary	Palmyra, N.J.	FA-'13
43	Corey Moore	S	6-2	206	23	1	Georgia	Griffin, Ga.	CFA-'15
44	Carlos Thompson	OLB	6-5	243	24	2	Mississippi	Hollandale, Miss.	CFA-'15
45	Jay Prosch	FB	6-1	256	23	3	Auburn	Mobile, Ala.	D6c-'14
46	Jon Weeks	LS	5-10	246	30	7	Baylor	Bethpage, N.Y.	FA-'10
48	Gerald Rivers	OLB	6-2	250	25	2	Clemson	Ellenwood, Ga.	FA-'15
49	Tony Washington Jr.	OLB	6-4	247	23	1	Oregon	West Los Angeles, Calif.	FA-'15
50	Akeem Dent	ILB	6-1	239	28	6	Georgia	Atlanta, Ga.	T-'14 (ATL)
51	John Simon	OLB	6-1	252	25	4	Ohio State	Youngstown, Ohio	FA-'14
52	Brian Peters	ILB	6-4	235	27	2	Northwestern	Pickerington, Ohio	FA-'15
53	Max Bullough	ILB	6-3	249	24	2	Michigan State	Traverse City, Mich.	CFA-'14
55	Benardrick McKinney	ILB	6-4	246	23	2	Mississippi State	Tunica, Miss.	D2-'15
56	Brian Cushing	ILB	6-3	249	29	8	Southern California	Park Ridge, N.J.	D1-'09
58	Reshard Cliett	ILB	6-2	222	23	2	South Florida	Thomasville, Ga.	D6a-'15
59	Whitney Mercilus	OLB	6-4	258	25	5	Illinois	Akron, Ohio	D1-'12
62	Chad Slade	G	6-5	315	23	2	Auburn	Moody, Ala.	CFA-'15
63	Kendall Lamm	T	6-6	305	23	2	Appalachian State	Charlotte, N.C.	CFA-'15
64	Dalton Freeman	C	6-5	291	25	2	Clemson	Pelion, S.C.	FA-'15
65	Greg Mancz	C	6-4	301	23	2	Toledo	Cincinnati, Ohio	CFA-'15
66	Nick Martin	C	6-4	299	22	R	Notre Dame	Indianapolis, Ind.	D2-'16
68	Tony Bergstrom	C	6-5	315	29	5	Utah	Salt Lake City, Utah	UFA-'16 (OAK)
69	Andrew McDonald	T	6-6	310	27	2	Indiana	Indianapolis, Ind.	FA-'15
70	Jeff Adams	T	6-7	305	26	3	Columbia	Berwyn, Ill.	W-'14 (TEN)
71	Xavier Su'a-Filo	G	6-4	307	25	3	UCLA	American Fork, Utah	D2-'14
72	Derek Newton	T	6-6	313	28	6	Arkansas State	Utica, Miss.	D7a-'11
73	Karim Barton	G	6-3	313	24	1	Morgan State	Los Angeles, Calif.	FA-'15
74	Chris Clark	T	6-5	305	30	8	Southern Miss.	New Orleans, La.	T-'15 (DEN)
75	Vince Wilfork	NT	6-2	325	34	13	Miami (Fla.)	Boynton Beach, Fla.	UFA-'15 (NE)
76	Duane Brown	T	6-4	303	29	9	Virginia Tech	Richmond, Va.	D1-'08
77	David Quessenberry	G	6-5	306	25	3	San Jose State	Encinitas, Calif.	D6a-'13
78	Oday Aboushi	G	6-5	308	24	4	Virginia	Brooklyn, N.Y.	W-'15 (NYJ)
79	Jeff Allen	G	6-4	306	26	5	Illinois	Chicago, Ill.	UFA-'16 (KC)
81	Anthony Denham	TE	6-4	235	24	2	Utah	Monterey Park, Calif.	CFA-'14
83	Eric Tomlinson	TE	6-6	263	24	1	UTEP	Klein, Texas	FA-'15
84	Ryan Griffin	TE	6-6	254	26	4	Connecticut	Londonderry, N.H.	D6d-'13
87	C.J. Fiedorowicz	TE	6-5	265	24	3	Iowa	Johnsburg, Ill.	D3a-'14
90	Jadeveon Clowney	OLB	6-5	266	23	3	South Carolina	Rock Hill, S.C.	D1-'14
91	Devon Still	DE	6-5	305	26	4	Penn State	Camden, N.J.	FA-'15
92	Brandon Dunn	DT	6-2	300	23	2	Louisville	Louisville, Ky.	FA-'15
95	Christian Covington	NT	6-2	289	22	2	Rice	Vancouver, BC, Canada	D6b-'15
96	Dan Pettinato	DE	6-4	277	24	1	Arizona	Grass Valley, Calif.	CFA-'15
97	Jeffrey Pagan	DE	6-3	310	22	3	Alabama	Asheville, N.C.	D6a-'14
99	J.J. Watt	DE	6-5	289	27	6	Wisconsin	Pewaukee, Wisc.	D1-'11
	Tyler Ervin	RB	5-10	192	22	R	San Jose State	San Bernardino, Calif.	D4-'16
	K.J. Dillon	S	6-0	210	21	R	West Virginia	Miami, Fla.	D5a-'16
	D.J. Reader	NT	6-3	327	21	R	Clemson	Greensboro, N.C.	D5b-'16

COACHING ROSTER	
COACH	POSITION
Bill O'Brien	Head Coach
Romeo Crennel	Defensive Coordinator
George Godsey	Offensive Coordinator
Larry Izzo	Special Teams Coordinator
Brian Bell	Assistant Strength and Conditioning
Jim Bernhardt	Director of Football Research
Shane Bowen	Defensive Assistant
John Butler	Secondary
Doug Colman	Assistant Special Teams
Mike Devlin	Offensive Line
Craig Fitzgerald	Head Strength and Conditioning
Sean Hayes	Assistant Strength and Conditioning
Tim Kelly	Offensive Quality Control/Asst. Offensive Line
Will Lawing	Defensive Quality Control
Charles London	Running Backs
Anthony Midget	Assistant Secondary
Pat O'Hara	Offensive Assistant
John Perry	Tight Ends
Sean Ryan	Wide Receivers
Mike Vrabel	Linebackers
Anthony Weaver	Defensive Line

PRONUNCIATION GUIDE

PLAYER	PRONUNCIATION
Lonnie Ballentine	Bal-en-TINE
A.J. Bouye	boy-YAY
Max Bullough	BULL-ah
Reshard Cliett	reh-SHARD KLY-ett
Jadeveon Clowney	juh-DEV-ee-on
Anthony Denham	DEN-em
C.J. Fiedorowicz	feh-DOR-uh-wits
DeAndre Hopkins	D-Andre
Greg Mancz	MANTS
Whitney Mercilus	MER-sih-lus
Jay Prosch	PRAWSH
Xavier Su'a-Filo	SOO-ah-fee-lo

HOW ACQUIRED KEY

CFA	College Free Agent
D	Draft Pick
FA	Free Agent
T	Trade
UFA	Unrestricted Free Agent
W	Waivers
()	Previous Team

TEXANS CURRENT ROSTER BY DRAFT POSITION

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First Round (12)		Third Round (5)		Sixth Round (cont.)		Undrafted (cont.)	
2004 21-21	NT Vince Wilfork Miami (Fla.) New England Patriots	2011 27-91	ILB Akeem Dent Georgia Atlanta Falcons	2015 35-211	LB Reshard Cliett South Florida Houston Texans		Houston Texans
2006 24-24	CB Johnathan Joseph South Carolina Cincinnati Bengals	2012 32-95	C/G Tony Bergstrom Utah Oakland Raiders	2015 40-216	DT Christian Covington Rice Houston Texans	2014	TE Anthony Denham Utah Houston Texans
2008 26-26	T Duane Brown Virginia Tech Houston Texans	2014 1-65	TE C.J. Fiedorowicz Iowa Houston Texans	Seventh Round (5)			
2009 15-15	ILB Brian Cushing USC Houston Texans	2015 6-70	WR Jaelen Strong Arizona State Houston Texans	2011 11-214	T Derek Newton Arkansas State Houston Texans	2014	CB Robert Nelson Jr. Arizona State Cleveland Browns
2010 20-20	CB Kareem Jackson Alabama Houston Texans	2016 22-85	WR Braxton Miller Ohio State Houston Texans	2012 35-242	S Antonio Allen South Carolina N.Y. Jets	2015	S Kurtis Drummond Michigan State Houston Texans
2011 11-11	DE J.J. Watt Wisconsin Houston Texans	Fourth Round (6)		2014 1-216	CB Andre Hal Vanderbilt Houston Texans	2015	RB Akeem Hunt Purdue N.Y. Giants
2012 26-26	OLB Whitney Mercilus Illinois Houston Texans	2008 18-117	S Quintin Demps UTEP Philadelphia Eagles	2014 41-256	S Lonnie Ballentine Memphis Houston Texans	2015	T Kendall Lamm Appalachian State Houston Texans
2012 22-22	QB Brandon Weeden Oklahoma State Cleveland Browns	2011 17-114	WR Cecil Shorts III Mount Union Jacksonville Jaguars	2015 18-235	RB Kenny Hilliard LSU Houston Texans	2015	C Greg Mancz Toledo Houston Texans
2013 27-27	WR DeAndre Hopkins Clemson Houston Texans	2012 2-97	RB Lamar Miller Miami (Fla.) Miami Dolphins	Undrafted (28)			
2014 1-1	OLB Jadeveon Clowney South Carolina Houston Texans	2013 32-129	OLB John Simon Ohio State Baltimore Ravens	2005	K Nick Novak Maryland Chicago Bears	2015	S Corey Moore Georgia Houston Texans
2015 16-16	CB Kevin Johnson Wake Forest Houston Texans	2014 35-135	QB Tom Savage Pittsburgh Houston Texans	2008	T Chris Clark Southern Mississippi Minnesota Vikings	2015	LB Brian Peters Northwestern Minnesota Vikings
2016 21-21	WR Will Fuller Notre Dame Houston Texans	2016 21-119	RB Tyler Ervin San Jose State Houston Texans	2010	LS Jon Weeks Baylor Houston Texans	2015	DE Dan Pettinato Arizona Houston Texans
Second Round (6)		Fifth Round (5)		2012	T Jeff Adams Columbia Dallas Cowboys	2015	G Chad Slade Auburn Houston Texans
2012 12-44	G Jeff Allen Illinois Kansas City	2000 13-142	P Shane Lechler Texas A&M Oakland Raiders	2012	RB Jonathan Grimes William & Mary Houston Texans	2015	OLB Carlos Thompson Mississippi Houston Texans
2012 25-57	QB Brock Osweiler Arizona State Denver Broncos	2013 8-141	G Oday Aboushi Virginia N.Y. Jets	2012	T Andrew McDonald Indiana Miami Dolphins	2015	TE Eric Tomlinson UTEP Philadelphia Eagles
2012 21-53	DE Devon Still Penn State Cincinnati Bengals	2015 39-175	WR Keith Mumphery Michigan State Houston Texans	2012	SS Eddie Pleasant Oregon Houston Texans	2015	OLB Tony Washington Jr. Oregon Houston Texans
2014 1-33	G Xavier Su'a-Filo UCLA Houston Texans	2016 20-159	S K.J. Dillon West Virginia Houston Texans	2012	CB A.J. Bouye Central Florida Houston Texans		
2015 11-43	LB Benardrick McKinney Mississippi State Houston Texans	2016 27-166	NT D.J. Reader Clemson Houston Texans	2013	C Dalton Freeman Clemson N.Y. Jets		
2016 19-50	C Nick Martin Notre Dame Houston Texans	Sixth Round (7)		2013	T David Quessenberry San Jose State Houston Texans	2013	CB Charles James Charleston Southern N.Y. Giants
		2013 8-176	TE Ryan Griffin Connecticut Houston Texans	2013	WR Josh Lenz Iowa State Chicago Bears	2013	OLB Gerald Rivers Mississippi Los Angeles Rams
		2014 1-177	DE Jeffrey Pagan Alabama Houston Texans	2013	OLB Gerald Rivers Mississippi Los Angeles Rams	2014	G Karim Barton Morgan State Cleveland Browns
		2014 5-181	RB Alfred Blue LSU Houston Texans	2014	G Karim Barton Morgan State Cleveland Browns	2014	ILB Max Bullough Michigan State
		2014 35-211	FB Jay Prosch Auburn Houston Texans				