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Q&A WITH DJ MOORE



After you were drafted, Steve Smith mentioned that you had a "PhD in route running" and that the Panthers had never been able to replace him until they drafted you. Coming from someone like Steve, what did these comments mean to you? Have you spoken to him since?

I have spoken to him recently. After camp I'm supposed to be meeting up with him, but that's at a later date. When he made those comments, it's like "okay, you've got to live up to that but you still have to be yourself at the end of the day."

As a first round draft pick, there are obviously high expectations surrounding your performance this season. How are you maintaining focus?

Just staying in my playbook. I am looked upon to do a lot of things, so just staying in the playbook and learning all of the positions that they ask me to do.

We see a lot about your dog Denny on social media. What makes him so important to you?

That's the first dog I've ever bought myself. I always wanted a Frenchie, so once I got done training for the combine, I had to get him. My mom told me not to but I wasn't paying attention. Was it to reward yourself? Nah, I was getting him and there were no if, ands or buts about it. Where'd the name Denny come from? My actual name, Denniston.

Who is your favorite artist?

You could say Meek, but that's cause I'm from Philly, so I gotta represent. But, I listen to everybody. Whoever drops something, I listen to it. What about your top 3? Future, Meek, Drake.

Do you have any type of pre-practice or pregame ritual?

I mean, I listen to music, but that's about it.

If you didn't play football, what sport would you play?

I'd be running track. Did you run in high school? Yes. What events? The two, the four, long jump and the relays.

As a rookie, what are you hoping to get out of your first professional season?

For myself, I want to win Rookie of the Year. But as a whole, I just want to make it as far as we can. I want my first season to be successful.

Describe your style of play. What do you feel like you bring to the team?

Versatility and run after the catch. Play making ability. Put me anywhere, I gotta learn it all, so now they can really put me anywhere, so that's gonna be fun.

Growing up in Philadelphia, what is your opinion on the best place to order a Philly cheesesteak?

Dalessandro's.

Q&A WITH **DJ MOORE** (continued)

Are you a fan of Will Smith?

Yeah, he's funny. He's been really funny lately.

Who are some of your biggest inspirations in life?

My mom. All my coaches that coached me, and a few different players that came out of Philly, but that's a lot to name.

How have you been working to develop on and offfield chemistry with Cam?

We had a few throwing sessions. I went to Atlanta to throw with him for a couple days, and then we went to Baltimore as a group. So just those two different events, and those being right before training camp helped us a lot.

What does DJ Stand for?

Denniston Moore Jr., or the second, whatever you want to call it.

What have you learned from the vets in the WR room?

Stacking days on top of each other is the key to being successful during the season.

Why does Cam call you Sleepy?

Because I always look tired, but I be up. People say they can barely see my eyes, but I'm really up.

- Reaganne Goode

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