Pro Scouting Report

PLAYER INFO				
#	Pro Position(s)	Prospect (Last, First)	DOB (Age)	Scout Name (Last, First)
17	**WR**	**Funchess, Devin**	**5/21/94 (24)**	**Curtis, Blake**

COLLEGE	YEAR – RD – TM	TEAM
Michigan (MIUN)	**15–2nd–CAR**	**Carolina Panthers**

CAREER INFORMATION					
Games Played	Games Started	Games Won	Winning %	Positions Started	Captain
55	**36**	**37**	**67%**	**X, Z**	**No**

INJURIES	**2014 (College)** - Turf Toe, Right Foot - Out Week 3 VS Miami, OH - limited by the injury through the remainder of the season. NFL **2015** - Thigh/Hamstring Sprain/Pull Grade 1, Left Leg, Missed Preseason Week 2 & 3 **2016** - Knee Strain Grade 1, right knee - exited Week 16, placed on IR Week 17
KEY STATS	Targets increased 54% from 2016-2017 yet his drops decreased 50%. Led the 2017 Panthers in regular season Targets (111), Rec Yards (840) & Rec TD's (8) and was 2nd on the team in Receptions (63). This ranks him 23rd in the NFL in Targets, 35th in Receptions, 27th in Rec Yards & ties him for 8th in Rec TD's

MEASURABLES									
Height	Weight	40 YD	10 YD	Arm	Hand	Vert	3 Cone	SS	Broad	Bench
6042	**225**	**4.7**	**1.66**	**33.5**	**9.75**	**38.5**	**6.98**	**4.48**	**122"**	**17**

Tapes Viewed	**2017:** vs BUF 9/17, at NE 10/1, vs PHI 10/12, vs ATL 11/5, at NYJ 11/26

BEST	Athletic Ability, Mental Processing, COD at Top of all Routes, Play Strength at POA, Body Control on Sideline Catches & Adjusting Outside of Strike Zone
WORST	Elusiveness/Ability to Make People Miss, Acceleration and Speed in the Deep Vertical Passing Game
PROJECTION	Starting X or Z WR you can win with. His size, play speed and reliable hands will make him useful in any system as an intermediate threat in between the numbers, on the sideline and in the redzone. Will be a valuable, reliable asset as he continues to develop. Should not be relied upon to generate YAC and shouldn't be relied upon as his teams deep threat.
SCHEME FIT	Any system that will rely on him as a high-volume possession WR in the intermediate areas of the field and redzone.

SUMMARY

4th year WR who has started 36 of 55 games, including 16 of 16 in 2017. Third year in OC Mike Shula's offensive scheme, which emphasized balance, short and intermediate passes and clock management. Carolina ranked 2nd in the league in TOP. He was aligned predominantly in a numbers split, while also seeing slot/nasty alignments. Nearly 80% of his targets were to the short and intermediate areas of the field. No impactful injuries in 2017. Elite height and weight with a big, athletic build, very good arm length and hand size. Displays very good AA that is rare for a player of his size, highlighted by his very good suddenness, COD, low pad level & explosiveness at the top of his routes. Very good release vs Press, using a quick first step to gain leverage, then dipping his shoulder and using his frame and play strength to fight through contact while accelerating. Against Off Man he cleverly separates by attacking DB cushion with a hard vertical burst angling his stem inside or outside the DB's leverage, to manipulate their momentum and body position opposite of his routes intention. He's at his best against Zone as he effectively avoids reroutes with his quick feet/agility, and then gets back into his stem. His ability to recognize Zone coverage and adjust mid route highlights his elite mental processing and awareness. He throttles down in soft spots against Zone while positioning his body to minimize the DB's ability to make a play on the ball. His good situational awareness is apparent through running his routes to the sticks on 3rd downs while showing solid ability to work open in scramble drill situations. His solid ball tracking skills have contributed to his improvement as a pass catcher. At the top of his routes his head and eyes come around first allowing him to identify passes that are in the air before his breaks. His pass catching improvement from 2016 to 2017 is evidenced by his increase in targets from 54 to 117 (54%) while decreasing his drops from 6 to 3 (50%). He has also improved his ability to secure contested passes. In his first two seasons he dropped 19% of catchable contested targets, yet in 2017 he caught 48% of his contested targets without a single drop - 10th best percentage among WRs. His strong hands and fluid dexterity make him a natural hands catcher, securing everything in his strike zone whether on the move or stationary. He displays a very good catch radius with the ability to extend and pluck the ball all around his frame with a very good ability to secure sideline catches with toe taps. Generates solid YAC does so exclusively with his play strength utilizing his size and momentum to physically drag or run through tacklers. His good competitive toughness can be in routes when he physically runs through contact without losing momentum and in blocking where his long arms and strong hands allow him to overpower defenders at the POA. He often rises to the occasion making tough catches and big plays in 3rd down, redzone and 4th quarter situations showing off his mental toughness. Played through a painful turf toe injury in college that limited him in his Senior year, yet caused him to miss just one game, showing his physical toughness and commitment to team. He lacks the true speed to be considered a legitimate deep threat. His long strides make it difficult to get off Man coverage of elite corners with elite foot speed, agility and quickness allowing DB's to undercut his routes and break up passes. Lacks elusiveness and agility in tight quarters to make people miss, making him marginal at generating game changing YAC. Overall, he's a starting X or Z WR you can win with. His size, play speed and reliable hands combined with his very good coverage recognition and situational awareness make him valuable in any system as an intermediate threat both in between the numbers, on the sideline and in the redzone. Will be a valuable, reliable asset as he continues to develop. Should not be relied upon to generate YAC and shouldn't be relied upon as his teams deep threat.