

SCOUTING ACADEMY		Pro Scouting Report				SCOUTING ACADEMY				
PLAYER INFO										
#	Pro Position(s)	Prospect (Last, First)	DOB (Age)	Scout Name (Last, First)						
25	DB	Ward, Jimmie	7/18/91 (27)	Hood, Adam						
COLLEGE		YEAR - RD - TM	TEAM							
NORTHERN ILLINOIS (ILNO)		14-1st-SF	San Francisco 49ers							
CAREER INFORMATION										
Games Played	Games Started	Games Won	Winning %	Positions Started	Captain					
42	24	11	26%	Nickel, FS, CB	No					
INJURIES	2017 Hamstring - Missed Pre-season and Week 1, Broken Forearm - IR Week 9-17; 2016 Quad - Week 4-6 Concussion - Week 12 Played Shoulder, Broken Collarbone - IR Week 15-17 2015 Elbow - Week 15 Played 2014 Quad - Week 7 Foot (Had Surgery) - IR Week 11-17									
KEY STATS	2017 (FS) - 0 INT's (Last), 1 PD (10th on Team), 0 FF (Last), 1 FR (Tied for 1st on Team), 27 TKLS (11th on Team), 5 ASSTS 2016 (RCB) - 1 INT (2nd on Team), 12 PD (2nd on Team), 1 FF(2nd on Team), 1 FR(2nd on Team), 42 TKLS (7th on Team), 10 ASSTS									
MEASURABLES										
Height	Weight	40 YD	10 YD	Arm	Hand	Vert	3 Cone	SS	Broad	Bench
5105	193	4.47	1.56	31	9 3/8	38	6.89	4.24	125	9
Tapes Viewed	2017: vs LAR 9/21, @ARZ 10/1, @IND 10/8, @WAS 10/15, vs DAL 10/22									
BEST	Quickness, Acceleration, COD, Fluidity, Balance, Speed, Aggressiveness in Run Defense, Short Route Recognition, Strength to Shed Blocks, Press Man, Hard Hitter, Man Coverage vs. TE's, RB's, and most WR's, Playing with Leverage in Run Support, Setting the Edge, Open Field Tackling, Good Angles, Tackling Technique, Range to come downhill in short passes and Run game from Single high look									
WORST	Vision and Deep/Intermediate Route Recognition from Single High, Playing with Anticipation, Gives up big plays in critical moments, Effort to the Whistle, Locating the Ball in Man/Ball Skills, Matching Intermediate Routes in Man, Physical Toughness vs OL Blocks, Maintaining Depth/Landmarks in Cover 3									
PROJECTION	DB you can win with who relies on his AA, Play Strength, LOS Skills, Open Field Tackling, and Man Coverage skills to win 1-on-1 matchups. Has adequate mental processing to read route combinations in a Zone scheme, will not provide many turnovers with his ball skills, and has an extensive injury history.									
SCHEME FIT	Would best fit in a Cover 1/2 Man as an outside CB in a scheme where he only has to focus on a single defender at a time and can utilize his physical gifts.									
SUMMARY										
<p>5th year DB who played RCB, NB, and FS, has started 24 of 42 games in his career and started at FS in 2017 for 6 out of 7 games he played. Has an extensive injury history as he has dealt with Quad, Foot, Concussion, and Shoulder injuries throughout his career while also missing 9 games with a broken forearm and hamstring injury in 2017. First year in DC Robert Saleh's Scheme featuring a large amount of Cover 3/1 with primarily playing single high at FS while filling in at CB in emergency situations. Has solid weight and hand length, adequate height and arm length with an athletic frame, possessing good athletic ability with a good combination of quickness, COD, balance, fluidity, and explosiveness. Showed solid mental processing later in the year as he got more comfortable at Safety, makes quick pre-snap adjustments, good job reading QB's eyes from deep and reaction vs screen/quick pass, looked more comfortable playing in Cover 2/4 as he only had to read one side of the field. Has good LOS skills, showed solid ability to be patient with his feet, staying square with the ability to match angles through good footwork against good or below WR's, can disrupt WR's and TE's release using a Jam showing aggressive temperament, good hand placement and play strength. Possesses good Man Trail coverage with the ability to mirror RB's, TE's, and most WR's, does a good job of staying in phase on short routes over the MOF or outside using good foot quickness, COD, hip fluidity, short area burst, and play strength to reroute receivers. Showed good range when coming downhill from single high to the LOS on run and screen plays using good acceleration and closing speed, good range when playing in two high to get to the Flag/Corner route outside the numbers. Displayed solid ball skills when he is facing the ball, tracks the ball well and can high point the football. Displays very good open field tackling, takes good angles to RB/WRs, gathers his body well, makes good contact with the ball carrier with good pad level, and is very good when wrapping up. Did not have enough evidence of his blitz ability to determine a grade. Exhibited good run support ability, does a good job constricting the run lanes as well as maintaining the edge when close to the LOS, disengages from WR blocks well by maintaining good extension of his arms while keeping his eyes on the ball carrier and shows good upper body strength to toss WR to the side to make the tackle. Displayed poor mental processing in the passing game at the safety position early in the year, had tunnel vision when reading the QB's eyes and would lose players that were in his zone, was inconsistent in finding good depth from MOF, susceptible to being looked off by veteran QB's, had trouble identifying and processing route combinations in the deep and intermediate MOF and outside the numbers especially Seam routes down the MOF, also struggled identifying the most dangerous threat when multiple WR's are running vertical routes, can be fooled by misdirection/PA plays, was often a step behind when keying and diagnosing pass or run, was often reacting instead of anticipating. Struggles to maintain tight coverage when playing Off Man, struggles to read WR's body language and anticipate routes especially Post/In Routes, doesn't have the top end speed to close separation on WR's. Showed adequate range from single high to get to Flag/Go routes outside the numbers or to play from hash to hash vs Seam routes. Adequate ball skills when his back is towards the ball, showed adequate timing to get his hands up and disrupt the pass, and rarely turned his head to locate the ball, did not try to strip the ball after the catch. Adequate competitive toughness when on the backside of a play does not always play with urgency in run support, often makes mistakes in critical moments during the 4th quarter of games, doesn't always play to the whistle. Does a poor job of taking on OL blocks, will try to run around or side step instead of holding his leverage showing poor competitive toughness, also does not engage with good pad level. Overall, a solid DB you can win with who relies on his AA, Play Strength, LOS Skills, Open Field Tackling, and Man Coverage skills to win 1-on-1 matchups. Would best fit in a Cover 1/2 Man as an outside CB in a scheme where he only has to focus on a single defender at a time and can utilize his physical gifts. Has adequate mental processing to read route combinations in a Zone scheme, will not provide many turnovers, and has an extensive injury history.</p>										