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## Pro Scouting Report



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## PLAYER INFO

#	Pro Position(s)	Prospect (Last, First)	DOB (Age)	Scout Name (Last, First)
<b>31</b>	<b>DS/SS</b>	<b>Simmons, Justin</b>	<b>11-19-93(25)</b>	<b>Bogan, Jeremiah</b>

COLLEGE	YEAR - RD - TM	TEAM
<b>Boston College (MABC)</b>	<b>2016-3rd-DEN</b>	<b>Denver Broncos</b>

## CAREER INFORMATION

Games Played	Games Started	Games Won	Winning %	Positions Started	Captain
<b>42</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>42%</b>	<b>DS/SS/FS</b>	<b>No</b>

**INJURIES** 2016- No Injuries, 2017- Left Ankle (Placed on IR after Week 14), 2018- No Injuries

**KEY STATS** 2016 AFC Special Teams Player of the Week (Week 10), 7 Career Interceptions places him 2nd in comparison to the safeties drafted before him in his draft class, 3rd in Interception Return Touchdowns (1)/2017, 7 Career Interceptions places him 2nd in comparison to the safeties drafted before him in his draft class (2016)

## MEASURABLES

Height	Weight	40 YD	10 YD	Arm	Hand	Vert	3 Cone	SS	Broad	Bench
<b>6020</b>	<b>211</b>	<b>4.61</b>	<b>1.60</b>	<b>32 5/8</b>	<b>9 5/8</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>6.58</b>	<b>3.85</b>	<b>126"</b>	<b>16</b>

**Tapes Viewed** 2018: vs KC 10/1, vs. LAR 10/14, @ LAC 11/18, vs PIT 11/25, CLE 12/15

**BEST** Run/Pass Diagnosis Run Support, Open Field Tackling, Hip Fluidity, Ball Skills

**WORST** Lateral Quickness vs Quicker Slots, Man Coverage vs. Quicker Slots, Foot Speed, Range

**PROJECTION** A starting SS who you can win with that excels in the run game by filling gaps and tackling good ballcarriers in his gap. Possesses a good ability to mirror good TEs in Man coverage situations with solid ball skills to create PBUs and interceptions. Struggles with his range, due to lack of foot speed and quickness from a single high look allowing deep completions on vertical and corner routes. Improved range as a single high safety can take his game to a Pro Bowl caliber level. Only three seasons in, has improved from a third round safety into a foundational piece for the Broncos future which shows promise and upward trajectory.

**SCHEME FIT** A two high scheme that only calls for him to play hash to sideline. Can play in a single high scheme as an in the box safety or as the robber safety.

## SUMMARY

3rd year Safety who has started 32 of 42 games in his career at both the Free Safety and Strong Safety. Started 3 games as a rookie in 2016, became the full time starter in 2017 only missing the last 3 games after being placed on IR due to a week 14 ankle injury, bounced back and started all the 16 games in his second season as the full time starter in 2018. Mainly tasked with being an in the box safety, is also used to match up with Tight Ends whether in line or split out. Very good height and adequate weight for his position, slender athletic build with very good length, very good athletic ability translates to explosive leaping ability to block field goals with solid change of direction, and solid hip fluidity needed to play safety at a high level. Starts plays with a balanced stance that allows him to play low and tap into his very good athletic ability as an explosive athlete. Good mental processing shows up in his run/pass diagnosis, as a hook/curl defender and half field safety alignment seeing plays develop to help him play with good speed and explosiveness out of his breaks while alerting crossers and passing routes as the hook/curl defender to teammates without losing leverage in his underneath coverage. Shows very good competitive toughness and mental fortitude when getting his hands dirty on crucial downs doing in his willingness to stop ballcarriers short of the first down marker and pylon or being physical on route runners forcing them to run their routes short of the sticks and the goal line. Solid play strength keeps him in phase on routes in man coverage without getting outmuscled by bigger passer catchers in the route and at the catch point. Competes on throws in man coverage against Tight Ends and solid ball skills helps him compete on throws as an underneath defender or a half field safety, using those ball skills on balls in his coverage creating pass deflections and interceptions. Inserts himself in the run game in a hurry once he diagnoses the play, aggressively filling correct gaps using proper angles. Very good at processing when he needs to take on a block to help others and when he can take a chance to slip a block. The very good competitive toughness he plays with his shown in his ability to be a very good block shedder against all Tight Ends and Wide Receiver types using good hands and proper block disengagement techniques. Open field tackling is very good as a result of taking proper angles, using good form and exploding out of his hips and through ball carriers of all sizes to limit yards after catch and after contact. Offering versatility as a solid blitzer, shows the ability to time the snap and force the QB to step up in the pocket while showing a good ability to adjust well whether it's a run or a pass when asked to come off the edge. Limited in his LOS skills due to lack of lateral quickness to be able to mirror slot WRs when asked to play press man against them if they are on the LOS, also leaving him unable to slide his feet and use his strength when getting hands on slot WRs who are lined up off the LOS in press man situations. Adequate range and foot speed limits his ability as a single high safety, limiting him to only being able to go from hash to sideline to while struggling to make plays from the middle of the field to throws at the numbers and outside the numbers. Man coverage skills are adequate when covering slot receivers who have good quickness due to his below average lateral quickness. Adequate lateral quickness is most evident when trying to put hands on quicker receivers out of the slot and covering quicker slots on in/out breaking routes. Starting SS who you can win with that excels in the run game by filling gaps and tackling good ballcarriers in his gap. Possesses a good ability to mirror good TEs in man coverage situations with the solid balls skills to create PBUs and interceptions. Struggles with his range, due to lack of foot speed and quickness from a single high look allowing deep completions on vertical and corner routes. Improved range as a single high safety can take his game to a Pro Bowl caliber level. Only three seasons in, has improved from a third round safety into a foundational piece for the Broncos future which shows promise in his upward trajectory as a player.