Pro Scouting Report

PLAYER INFO

#	Pro Position(s)	Prospect (Last, First)	DOB (Age)	Scout Name (Last, First)
42	**SS**	**Joseph, Karl**	**9-8-93 (26)**	**Asén, Patrik**

COLLEGE	YEAR – RD – TM	TEAM
WEST VIRGINIA (WVUN)	**16–1st–OAK**	**Oakland Raiders**

CAREER INFORMATION

Games Played	Games Started	Games Won	Winning %	Positions Started	Captain
50	**42**	**24**	**48%**	**SS, FS**	**No**

INJURIES	**2015**- Torn right ACL (suffered week 5 of Senior year). **2016** - Left big toe sprain (week 14-17). **2017** - Groin pull grade 1 (week 8). **2018** - Hamstring strain grade 2 (week 4-6). **2019** - Left Foot (IR week 11)
KEY STATS	Ranks 3rd among safeties drafted in **2016** in INT's (4) and sacks (3). Has played 61% of defensive snaps since entering the league. In **2019** career low in games played (9), per snap production in line with his earlier seasons, recording 1 INT, 3 PBU's and 49 tackles.

MEASURABLES

Height	Weight	40 YD	10 YD	Arm	Hand	Vert	3 Cone	SS	Broad	Bench
5095	**205**	**DNP**	**DNP**	**32 1/8**	**9 3/4**	**DNP**	**DNP**	**DNP**	**DNP**	**19**

EXPOSURES	**2019:** vs KC 9/15, at MIN 9/22, at GB 10/20, at HOU 10/27, vs LAC 11/7
STRENGTHS	Physical Toughness - Tackling - Mental Processing in Run Support
WEAKNESSES	Ball Skills in Man vs. Vertical Routes - Range in Deep Zone - Zone in Deep 1/2 & 1/3
SCHEME FIT	Any Zone heavy scheme which allows him to play near the box and does not require him to play deep middle or Man vs WR's.
PROJECTION	Starting Strong/Box Safety you can win with. Excels in run support, is a good tackler and brings a physical presence to the defense. Best used in a Zone scheme as an underneath defender or in Off alignment vs TE's. Lacks quickness in Man coverage to mirror WR's and fluidity in backpedal/transition to allow for range required to play the deep middle. Injury history is a concern, especially with his style of physical play.
BACKGROUND	A 4-year safety who has started 42 of 50 (incl. play-offs) games since entering the league in 2016 (was the first Safety drafted in 2016), including 9 of 9 in 2019 after missing the last 6 games due to a left foot injury. Has been plagued by lower body injuries, missing multiple games in all but one season as a pro. 2nd year in DC Paul Guenther's 4-3 scheme which relies predominantly on Cover 1 as well as various 2-deep shells (mostly Cover 2, occasionally Cover 6 & 4). Lined up mostly as the single high Safety in Cover 1 and as deep ½ defender in 2-deep shells, with occasional downs in the box. When in Man, played exclusively from an Off alignment vs. the TE/RB.
BODY TYPE / AA	Possesses good weight, arm length and hand size with adequate height on a muscular body with thick arms & legs. Solid AA, good explosiveness, solid balance, quickness and adequate agility

POSITIVES IN PASS GAME

Shows good movement and communication pre-snap with solid ability to diagnose run/pass having solid reaction and drive on short routes and solid play speed to maintain leverage vs TE from Off Man and to turn and run with TE vertically to stay on top of deep routes. Solid in Zone with solid quickness, mental processing & eye discipline to get to his landmark, recognize the route concepts and read the intentions of the QB with solid range from underneath Zones to overlap Hitch/Slant/Drag-routes in front of him. Solid ball skills in Zone and when defending short routes in Man, through solid ability to track the ball while on the run, high pointing the ball in contested situations and adjust to tipped passes, good body control to get both feet inbounds when catching near the side-line.

POSITIVES IN RUN GAME

Good run support from box and deep alignment, good processing and patience reading the flow of the play staying in position to attack once the RB commits, finds his way through traffic and takes away space from the ball carrier quickly when approaching from depth while maintaining his leverage. Good play strength and physical toughness when engaging blocking WR/TE, good UOH to disengage from blocks and good ability to regain his balance before tackling. Good open field tackler, takes good angles when approaching and shows good balance in his breakdown with very good physical toughness & explosiveness when tackling, hitting violently with solid form in the hip/thigh area of the ball carrier and wrapping up, able to take down most ball-carriers. Good timing of the snap and good acceleration when blitzing, good effort and play strength to work his way to the QB/ball-carrier. Plays with solid effort throughout all 4 quarters and shows good mental toughness making game changing plays late in the 4th quarter.

NEGATIVES IN PASS GAME

In Man, adequate ability to recover if taking any false steps during the play due to adequate acceleration. In Zone, when in deep 1/3 or ½, adequate ability to absorb vertical routes from WR's with solid or better play speed, gets turned out of his backpedal too early giving the WR an opportunity to cut across his face and struggles to locate the WR after his turn. Adequate range when turning towards the side-line vs Out-route or away from LOS vs. Seam/Post from underneath/deep Zone, and towards the LOS vs Curl/Dig from deep Zone, due to adequate hip fluidity, an upright posture when in high-speed backpedal and rounded breaks. Marginal ability to turn and locate the ball when defending vs. TE/WR vertical routes, leading to PI-flags and completions.

NEGATIVES IN RUN GAME

Misses tackles (14% missed tackles per PFR) when recklessly going for knock-out blows instead of tackling with proper form.