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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)					
90	5T DE	Lawson, Shaq		6/17/94 (25)	Mann, David					
COLLEGE			YEAR - RD - TM			TEAM				
CLEMSON (SCCL)			16-1st-BUF			Buffalo Bills				
CAREER INFORMATION										
Games Played	Games Started	Games Won		Winning %	Positions Started	Captain				
50	18	23		46%	DE	No				
INJURIES	2016 - Shoulder Surgery (OUT - week 1-6); 2017 - Groin Strain (OUT - week 4), Left High Ankle Sprain (OUT - week 14-17); 2018 - Right Hamstring (OUT - week 2-3); 2019 - Hamstring (OUT - week 17)									
KEY STATS	Trending slightly up in sacks over career, ranking 2nd on BUF in 2019 with 6.5 (#58 in NFL), 4th in 2018 with 4.0 (#115 in NFL), and 1st in 2017 with 4.0 (#94 in NFL). Significant jump in TFL from 5 in 2018 to 13 in 2019 tied at 1st for BUF and 20th in NFL. Remained consistent in tackles with 32 for 2019 , ranking #2 on BUF for DL.									
MEASURABLES										
Height	Weight	40 YD	10 YD	Arm	Hand	Vert	3 Cone	SS	Broad	Bench
6025	269	4.7	1.63	32.75	10	33	7.16	4.21	120	N/A
EXPOSURES	2019: vs PHI 10/27, @MIA 11/17, @DAL 11/28, vs BAL 12/8, vs @NE 12/21									
STRENGTHS	Upfield Burst, Bend on the Corner, AA, Open Field Tackles vs. All Body Types, Flexibility in Ankles									
WEAKNESSES	UOH to Shed vs. Run, UOH to Displace Hands in Pass Set, Play Strength to Leverage Gap, Motor									
SCHEME FIT	Schemes where he can serve as a role player - rushing the passer from 5 or 7T with his very good AA and take advantage of opportunities from other rushers to generate pressure and expect limited gap control vs. run game.									
PROJECTION	Complimentary 5T DE in 4-3 scheme who can win when paired with another rusher who assumes focal point of protection package or very good secondary coverage to allow him additional time to get to the QB. Can win vs. pass against solid OL due to very good AA, flexibility, burst upfield and ability to tackle runners in tight spaces or the open field and solid play speed & mental processing. Lacks ability to defeat blocks and leverage gap vs. Run at the POA due to adequate UOH and adequate competitive toughness. Documented considerable injury history.									
BACKGROUND	4th year DE featured as a rotational weak-side 5T DE and pass rush specialist for BUF starting 0 of 16 games and playing 50% of snaps with no significant injuries in 2019. In his 3rd year under HC Sean McDermott, DC Leslie Frazier and DL Coach Bill Teerlink, played 5T and limited 6T DE in a 3 or 4 pt stance in a 4-3 front where he primarily acted as an edge rush specialist to corner and pressure the pocket in the passing game and pressure upfield in Zone run concepts to disrupt play design.									
BODY TYPE / AA	Good height and weight with lean and long frame; adequate arm length and hand size. Displays very good overall athletic ability with very good quickness, explosion, acceleration, agility, and good foot speed and balance.									
POSITIVES IN PASS GAME										
Good upfield burst on passing downs, consistently pressuring OL vertically into drop due to very good AA and hip/ankle flexion consistently covering 4 yards in his 1st 3 steps inside 1 second of the snap. Exhibits solid bull rush plan through explosion and acceleration off the edge to threaten the vertical set of the OT with speed and good hip flexibility/ankle bend to turn the corner and pressure the QB, generating pressure on 10% of rush attempts into a vertical set with no TE/wing chip.										
POSITIVES IN RUN GAME										
Good upfield burst vs. Run to key ball snap, read and react to OL flow, very good acceleration and explosion with even pad level through initial acceleration to drive up the field; best at zone plays as he has more time to read blocking flow and locate the ball. Solid mental processing vs. Zone schemes where he can exploit his athleticism to penetrate upfield to beat reach blocks and disrupt the backfield flow, surpassing need to disengage/defeat blocks. Good ability to tackle all types of runners downhill or in space due to good play speed and solid physical toughness at the collision point where he also exhibits solid physicality against adequate OL/TE competition. Exhibits good pursuit and backside discipline with good play speed to maintain gap integrity down the line in Zone Reads and opposite field plays to stay home for reverses and screens where he can diagnose action in slow-developing plays and use his AA and physicality to seek the ball across or down the field and secure the runner to the ground with force.										
NEGATIVES IN PASS GAME										
Limited in pass rush plan to explosive rip with corner bend on passing downs as previously noted - needs significant work on his pass rush planning to incorporate more elaborate UOH (speed, placement and increased strength) and timed footwork to refine rushing technique and enhance his portfolio, using his AA to defeat 45 degree angle sets and couple with stunts and underneath moves, which he currently cannot achieve consistently.										
NEGATIVES IN RUN GAME										
Adequate vs. Run due to adequate play strength and UOH where he struggles to extend and separate from good OL or TEs that have disciplined hand placement and footwork in Gap-run, downfield blocking schemes, denying his athleticism to beat them off the ball and penetrate upfield; able to win when schemed into play with his explosion in a 1-gap scheme. Struggles to displace hands with timing, placement and/or force. Adequate competitive toughness - most competitive off the snap, solely focused on seeking the ball carrier which wanes quickly if he cannot locate as the play progresses. Exhibits adequate mental toughness and motor, lacking hustle down the field when he perceives the ball is out of reach and is often absent on the field or unproductive during critical downs.										