

### **WASHINGTON REDSKINS**

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## **PRESS RELEASE**

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# REDSKINS NAME TRAVELLE WHARTON AS ASSISTANT OFFENSIVE LINE COACH

**LOUDOUN COUNTY, Va.** – The Washington Redskins announced today that they have named Travelle Wharton as assistant offensive line coach.

Wharton is entering his 16<sup>th</sup> NFL season, including two as a coach and 14 as a player. He coached with the Carolina Panthers from 2018-19 assisting then-running game coordinator John Matsko.

In 2019, Wharton assisted an offensive line that helped Panthers running back Christian McCaffrey rush for 1,387 yards, third most in the NFL and a career-high 15 rushing touchdowns. It was his second-consecutive season with at least 1,000 rushing yards. Overall in 2019, Wharton assisted a Panthers offense that finished sixth in the NFL in average yards per carry with 4.71.

In Wharton's first season coaching in 2018, he assisted with an offensive line that helped Carolina top the NFL in rushing yards per attempt with a 5.1-yard average, while finishing fourth in total rushing yards (2,136). The Panthers rushing attack recorded 69 rushes that went for 10+ yards, the second most among all teams in 2018 and second most in a single season in team history. Left guard Trai Turner earned Pro Bowl honors for the fourth consecutive season.

Wharton worked with the Panthers prior to the 2017 season in offseason workouts and training camp as part of the NFL Bill Walsh Diversity Coaching Fellowship.

Wharton made his coaching debut with his alma mater, the University of South Carolina, with one season of coaching in 2015. He was initially named offensive quality control coach, but then was promoted to offensive line coach midway through the 2015 season.

Wharton is a veteran of 10 NFL seasons, nine (2004-11, 2013) with the Panthers and one with the Cincinnati Bengals (2012). With the Panthers, Wharton started 111 of 115 regular season games played, the third-highest totals by an offensive lineman in team history.

Wharton anchored the offensive line on Carolina's top three seasons of rushing in franchise history in 2009 (2,498), 2008 (2,437) and 2011 (2,408). Carolina ranked third in the NFL in rushing in all three of those seasons. The Panthers averaged 5.41 yards per carry in 2011, a mark that led the NFL and set a franchise record.

In 2008, Wharton helped protect Panthers quarterback Jake Delhomme as Carolina allowed just 20 sacks, a mark that ranked sixth in the NFL and still stands as the franchise record.

Wharton played in five postseason games, helping the Panthers advance to the playoffs in 2005, 2008 and 2013. A native of Fountain Inn, S.C., Wharton played collegiately at South Carolina where he was a four-year letterwinner (2000-03) and earned All-SEC recognition in his junior and senior seasons. He also earned Freshman All-America honors and a spot on the All-SEC Freshman team. He was selected in the third round of the 2004 NFL Draft by the Panthers.

### WHARTON FOOTBALL TIMELINE

2018-19: Assistant Offensive Line, Carolina Panthers

2015: Offensive Line, South Carolina

2013: Offensive Lineman, Carolina Panthers
2012: Offensive Lineman, Cincinnati Bengals
2004-11: Offensive Lineman, Carolina Panthers

2000-03: Offensive Lineman, University of South Carolina

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ABOUT THE REDSKINS: Headquartered at Inova Sports Performance Center at Redskins Park in Ashburn, Virginia, and owned by Daniel Snyder, the historic Washington Redskins Football Club has won five World Championship titles including the 1937 and 1942 National Football League Championship games, as well as Super Bowls XVII, XXII and XXVI. Founded in 1932 as the Boston Braves in Massachusetts, the team changed its name to the Redskins in 1933 and relocated to Washington, D.C. in 1937. Since then, the team has become one of the most recognizable professional sports franchises in history, featuring multiple Hall of Fame coaches, 19 members of the Pro Football Hall of Fame (with 11 others who also were Redskins) and becoming the first team in the NFL with an official marching band and fight song, "Hail to the Redskins." The Redskins have been owned by Dan Snyder since 1999, and beginning in 1997, began playing their home games at FedExField in Landover, Md.

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