

# TRAE **ELSTON**

SAFETY // 6-0 // 203 // MISSISSIPPI '16 ACQUIRED: WAI., '17 (BUF.) HOMETOWN: OXFORD, ALA. // BORN: 2/16/94 NFL: SECOND SEASON // DOLPHINS: FIRST SEASON

### **NFL CAREER**

#### TRANSACTIONS:

- Awarded off waivers to Miami on Dec. 29, 2017.
- Waived by Buffalo on Dec. 28, 2017.
- Signed by Buffalo on Oct. 3, 2017.
- Waived by Philadelphia on Sept. 30, 2017.
- Awarded off waivers to Philadelphia on Sept. 20, 2017.
- Waived by Buffalo on Sept. 19, 2017.
- Awarded off waivers to Buffalo on April 21, 2017.
- Waived by Cleveland on April 20, 2017.
- Signed by Cleveland on Jan. 2, 2017.
- Signed to Cleveland's practice squad on Dec. 23, 2016.
- Waived by Cleveland on Dec. 21, 2016.
- Signed by Cleveland on Dec. 7, 2016.
- Released from Tampa Bay's practice squad on Nov. 15, 2016.
- Signed to Tampa Bay's practice squad on Oct. 17, 2016.
- Waived by New Orleans on Sept. 3, 2016.
- Signed by New Orleans as an undrafted college free agent on May 6, 2016.

#### **CAREER HIGHLIGHTS:**

- Played in 14 career games with 1 start.
- 15 tackles (8 solo), 1 interception and 1 pass defensed.

# 2017 (MIAMI/BUFFALO/PHILADELPHIA/CLEVELAND):

- Inactive for 1 game with Miami.
- Awarded off waivers to Miami on Dec. 29.
- Waived by Buffalo on Dec. 28.
- Played in 13 games with 1 start in 2 stints with Buffalo.
- 15 tackles (8 solo), 1 interception and 1 pass defensed with Buffalo
- 3 special teams tackles (1 solo) with Buffalo.
- Signed by Buffalo on Oct. 3.
- Waived by Philadelphia on Sept. 30.
- Played in 1 game with Philadelphia.
- 1 solo special teams tackle with Philadelphia.
- Awarded off waivers to Philadelphia on Sept. 20.
- Waived by Buffalo on Sept. 19.
- Spent part of the offseason with Cleveland and training camp with Buffalo.

- VS. N.Y. JETS (9/10): Played but did not record any stats.
  - Made his NFL debut.
- VS. OAKLAND (10/29): 11 tackles (8 solo) and 1 interception.
  - Made 1st NFL start.
- Intercepted a QB Derek Carr pass and returned it 22 yards in the 4th quarter for his 1st career interception.
- AT L.A. CHARGERS (11/19): 4 solo tackles and 1 special teams stop.

#### 2016 (NEW ORLEANS/TAMPA BAY/ CLEVELAND):

- Inactive for 2 games with Cleveland.
- Signed by Cleveland on Dec. 7.
- Spent time on Tampa Bay and Cleveland's practice squads.
- Spent the offseason with New Orleans.

#### **BEFORE THE NFL**

#### COLLEGE (MISSISSIPPI):

- 4-year starter (2012-15).
- CAREER: Played in 50 games with 44 starts; 252 tackles (153 solo), 1 sack, 5 interceptions, 34 passes defensed and 2 forced fumbles; 1 kickoff return for 20 yards.
- Returned 2 interceptions for TDs.
- **SENIOR (2015):** Started all 13 games; 70 tackles (44 solo), 4 interceptions and 18 passes defensed.
- Returned 2 interceptions for TDs.
- His 18 passes defensed were tied for the SEC lead and 13th nationally.
- His 4 interceptions were tied for 4th in the SEC.
- 1st-team All-American.
- 1st-team All-SEC.
- JUNIOR (2014): Played in 12 games with 11 starts; 59 tackles (35 solo), 1 interception, 4 passes defensed and 1 forced fumble.
- **SOPHOMORE (2013):** Played in all 13 games with 11 starts; 62 tackles (42 solo), 6 passes defensed and 1 forced fumble.
- **TRUE FRESHMAN (2012):** Played in 12 games with 9 starts; 61 tackles (32 solo), 1 sack and 6 passes defensed; 1 kickoff return for 20 yards.
- SEC All-Freshman team.

## HIGH SCHOOL (OXFORD HS – OXFORD, ALA.)

• Played on both sides of the ball.

**SENIOR (2011):** 94 tackles and 8 interceptions; 34 receptions for 656 yards (19.3 avg.) and 8 TDs.

• 1st-team all-state.

#### JUNIOR (2010):

• 1st-team all-state.

## **OFF THE FIELD**

#### PERSONAL:

• MAJOR: Business with a minor in marketing.

TRAE ELSTON'S NFL REGULAR SEASON STATS															
				TACKLES					INTERCEPTIONS					FUMBLES	
YEAR	TEAM	GP	GS	TOT	SOLO	ASST	SK	YDS	INT	YDS	LG	TD	PD	FF	FR
2017	BUFFALO	13	1	15	8	7	0.0	0	1	22	22	0	1	0	0
	PHILADELPHIA	1	0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	NFL TOTALS	14	1	15	8	7	0.0	0.0	1	22	22	0	1	0	0

#### **ADDITIONAL STATS**

Special Teams Tackles: (Philadelphia) 1 in 2017, (Buffalo) 3 in 2017 for total of 4.

#### SINGLE-GAME CAREER HIGHS

 Tackles:
 11
 vs. Oakland, 10/29/17

 Interceptions:
 1
 vs. Oakland, 10/29/17

 Passes Defensed:
 1
 vs. Oakland, 10/29/17