

## NFL Grabs Rams In 1991

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The National Football League has selected two more Ram football players in the 1991 NFL Draft. If you recall, Donald Frank and Broderick Graves were selected last year in the 1990 NFL Draft. This year, the NFL selected Yancey Thigpen and Dennis "D.J." Johnson.

Yancey Thigpen, a native of Tarboro, North Carolina, was picked-up by the San Diego Chargers in the 4th round of the draft, as a wide receiver. He will be joining his former teammate and friend, Donald Frank. Thigpen is a massive athlete who possesses hands of magic. Some people believe that Thigpen is definitely one of best wide receivers to come out of WSSU, if not the best.

"I always enjoy watching Yancey play, because when he goes out for a pass, his hands become a radar that somehow zooms in on the ball and magically pulls down the pass," said a WSSU student. Many people agree that Thigpen creates excitement on the field. Number 15 of WSSU, has always been considered a threat to any defensive player.

One of Thigpen's strongest attributes of his success, is his ability to "juke" the defensive backs at the line of scrimmage, as well as in the secondary. "He has great size and is the kind of guy we've been looking for to step into that spot opposite Anthony Miller," said Dan Henning, Head



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No. 15, Yancey Thigpen, used his magical hands as a Ram, but now is on his way to San Diego, to perform some "magic."

Coach of the Chargers. While at WSSU, Thigpen caught an amazing 48 passes for almost a 1000 yards and 14 TDs for the 1990 season. With accomplishments such as those as well as his quickness, Thigpen definitely has much to offer the San Diego Chargers.

Dennis Johnson, better known as "D.J.," hails from Harrells, North Carolina. He stands 6'2" and weighs 210 pounds. Johnson was picked up in the 12th round of the draft by the Los Angeles Raiders as a defensive back.

"I was at home watching the draft on television with my parents wondering, was I ever going to be picked. Several rounds went by and I almost gave up hope, when the telephone rang. It was a representative from the San Diego Chargers telling me that they were interested in me, when all of a sudden, the representative said, 'congratulations Mr. Johnson, you have just been picked by the Los Angeles Raiders.' Two minutes latter, another representative from the Raiders called."

As a youngster, Johnson's favorite team was the Pittsburgh Steelers. However, he was not that interested in football. He wanted to go to the Air Force instead. He played football in his sophomore and senior year in high school, although it was not until his

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## Attorney Days Sparks Constitutional Law Series

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Attorney Drew Saunders Days III

Thursday, April 25, 1991, marked for the first scheduled event of the J. Alston Atkins Memorial Lecture in Constitutional Law Series. This event featured Attorney Drew Saunders Days III, who since 1988, has been the Director of the Orville H. Schell, Jr. Center for International Human Rights at Yale Law School.

Attorney Days, is a distinguished scholar in the area of constitutional law, who graduated from Yale Law School in 1966. In the years of 1977 to 1980, Days was the assistant attorney general for civil rights with the U.S. Department of Justice. He has also served as a member

of the steering committee for the Congressional Black Caucus National Conference on Education for Blacks.

Attorney Days focused on such topics as the 1990 Civil Rights Bill veto, the controversy in Arizona over the Martin Luther King, Jr. Holiday disbandment, and the more recent controversy surrounding whether or not Minority Scholarships funded by the federal government should be considered unconstitutional and no longer funded to universities.

Attorney Days, an avid civil rights leader, stated "Civil Rights violations were more visible in the 60's, you knew who was good or evil. America has a long way to go before it reaches full Civil

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### News Watch

■ "Boyz N the Hood," a powerful drama about coming of age in Black urban America, has been chosen as an official selection for the 1991 Cannes International Film Festival. It's about the predominantly African-American community in which Singleton was raised. The film co-stars rap star Ice-Cube. Columbia Pictures will release the film in the United States on July 2, 1991.

■ (EIRNS) More than a few questions have been raised of George Bush being a racist during the last two years due to his policies toward developing countries. In 1969, Bush served as Chairman of the Republican Task Force on Earth Resources and Population and provided a platform for white hostile theoreticians: Dr. William Shockley and Dr. Arthur Jensen.

■ The Medical Technology program and the Education Department end the academic year with 85 percent and 80 percent, respectively, on professional examinations.

■ Winston-Salem State University has increased its efforts in seeking external funding by 186 percent. Funds have jumped from \$781,000 to \$2.4 million.

■ 35 Chancellor and Centennial scholarships have been made available by WSSU to incoming freshmen for Fall, 1991. The scholarships carry an award of \$4,500 each.

■ The graduation rate of WSSU is up by 13 percent.

■ O'Keely Library isn't affected by the current budget cuts.

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