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# **Head Coach Jay Gruden**

#### On the absence of OL Trent Williams:

"We have been talking to Trent a little bit here and there. He is not here [at practice], you are right. As far as holding out for whatever reasons, that is between Trent and Eric [Schaffer] and Bruce [Allen]. Hopefully, we'll get it all situated soon and get him back here."

# On the disadvantages with Williams absent:

"Well he is the best tackle in pro football, so. He's a great player for us, a great leader. We would love to have him here without a doubt. I know his teammates support him and we support him without a doubt, but hopefully we get it situated where he comes back."

## On how QB Dwayne Haskins facing the defense with veterans participating:

"He did [well]. He is learning every day. He's doing an excellent job, as far as just getting familiar with the offense and terminology. He has a great skill set. He can really spin it, without a doubt, but now it is just a matter of transitioning to different defenses, different blitzes, handling the pressure, handling the looks, finding open receivers and delivering the ball. I think he is on a great course right now. He's getting better every day from what I have seen."

# On his impressions of WR Terry McLaurin:

"Terry is doing an excellent job. He can do everything. He can block. He can run the vertical routes. He can run the short intermediate routes. He ran an unbelievable double move today. I have just been impressed with the total package of Terry, not just his speed, but his toughness, his attention to detail. He has the ability to finish plays, to block, line up correctly. He has just been outstanding in all phases."

#### On OC Kevin O'Connell's transition to offensive coordinator:

"It's great. It has been a great communication process with him, Bill [Callahan], [Brian] Angelico, Randy Jordan, Ike Hilliard. All of these guys are doing a great job of communicating what they want to see out on the practice field, coaching it, then seeing it on the practice field. He has done an outstanding job. We expect great things from the offense. Now it is about finding the right people and how they fit with what we are trying to run and us trying to adjust to the people we have as well. This is an important time, it's early summer, but it is an important time for us just to gauge and see what we have so when the summer time comes around, and we come back for training camp, we can adjust our scheme accordingly."

## On if QB Colt McCoy not practicing:

"Anytime a quarterback cannot go, it's an affect... we would love for him to take some reps, but obviously his health is more important right now than anything, and that is the most important thing for him. He would come out there and limp with a leg brace on if he could, but we won't let him. We just have to take the process for what it is and listen to the trainers and doctors. When he is fully healed, we'll get the word and let him go, but he's still getting the mental reps, which is important. He is still in all the meetings, in that regard, so when his time comes it will come quickly. He will be ready."

# On if McCoy had a procedure done for his injury:

"He did a while ago, yeah."

# On the difficulty to develop quarterbacks with a new offensive line:

"Yeah, it is tough. We kind of messed around, bringing in a bunch of tackles. We have made some changes there. We are trying to take a look at a lot of guys. With [Geron] Christian and Trent [Williams] not here, and Morgan [Moses] practicing on a limited basis, it has been difficult a little bit on the outside. We have to adjust and those guys have to handle pressure and step up. They have done a pretty good job, for the most part, but we have to do a better job of simulating drills where we can at least get some passes off without the defensive line all around [the quarterback's] body."

#### On recent communication with OL Trent Williams:

"I talked to him a little while ago. This is personal between him and his agent and our organization, and we will handle it accordingly. Trent knows we all want him back. I want him back in the worst way and I know his teammates want him back in the worst way, but at the end of the day there is a business side of pro football and that's what he is about right now. So, we will find out what happens."

# On if LB Reuben Foster had an LCL injury, along with his ACL injury "Yes."

## On CB Quinton Dunbar practicing:

"It was just Dunbar working his way back in. That was his first practice, really, so he was kind of just working his way back in. He took some reps and we told him to take a limited amount of reps based on how he felt. He felt pretty good, which is a good sign, and we will build more and more to his reps as the next day comes about."

#### On CB Josh Norman:

"His first day was good. He's in great shape, and I knew that wasn't going to be an issue. He takes excellent care of his body. I was happy with where he was mentally, picked everything back up effortlessly. Lined up and made a nice interception today, so it is good to feel his presence out there and to see him make a play."

#### On OB Alex Smith:

"Alex has recovered nicely. Slowly, but surely, it is going to be a little bit of time, but as soon as he is able to he'll push it and get himself ready. We'll have to wait and see. It is going to be a pretty lengthy process, for the most part, but once he is able to go he'll recover a lot quicker than people anticipate I am sure."

#### On the absence of CB Danny Johnson:

"He was kept inside. He and RB Derrius [Guice] were kept inside to do rehab."

# On WR Paul Richardson's potential and his impact on the offense:

"Well that is what we are excited to see [his potential]. I think once training camp rolls around, and he's fully healthy from his shoulder, I think we will be able to see what he can bring to this football team. We had flashes last year with his speed, ability to take the top off [of a defense] and we expect that when he comes back fully healthy."

#### On Williams head injury:

"Yeah, he is still recovering. He wouldn't be able to practice anyway. He is still recovering from that. He'll get that taken care of."

#### On if QB Alex Smith can throw the ball:

"He can throw. He can play catch, yes."