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SAMFORD

MEN'S BASKETBALL

Upcoming Events:

ACT Date
Sept. 12

Early Signing Date
November 11-18

Samford Coaching Clinic
October 24

AHSAA First Day of Practice
October 19

Coaches Spotlight



Brandon Gilbert

Director of Operations

Miami, Florida

A native of Miami, Gilbert is beginning his 2th season with the Bulldogs. Brandon came to Samford after spending 3 years at Florida while attending 2 Elite Eights and i Final Four.

BRADLEY SIGNS FIRST PRO CONTRACT

Former Samford basketball player Michael Bradley officially achieved one of his life-long dreams Tuesday as the Bulldogs' 6-foot-10 center signed a professional contract to play with SC Rist Wedel (Germany).

"I'm extremely happy, blessed, and thankful for this great opportunity," said Bradley. "I've dreamed of playing overseas for as long as I can remember, but there have been many instances that made me question if I would ever get the opportunity, like when I broke my ankle and then had the stress fracture in my foot the following year."

"There were so many things that blurred that vision, but God has brought me so far along on this journey that the least I could always do is work hard and not lose faith through any setback or obstacle."

"His great potential is highlighted by the combination of size, length, and athleticism," said Rist head coach Michael Claxton. "Mike is a true center with the ability to impact the game from many different angles."

"I'm very proud of Mike for all his hard work during his time here," said Samford head coach Scott Padgett. "He went through a lot of change and turmoil during his college career and did a great job of always staying focused and working hard."



BULLDOGS BEGIN FALL CONDITIONING



After a few week off, our 15 guys have returned to campus and are preparing for the upcoming season.

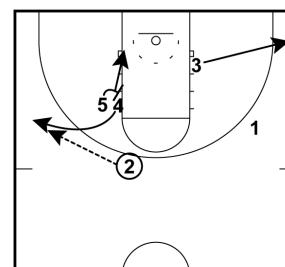
With 8 returners leading the way for 7 new faces (4 freshmen and 3 transfers), the bulldogs began 6am conditioning workouts this past Wednesday.

Strength Coach Jonathan Farris begins his 3rd year as with the Bulldogs after coming from Alabama.

In an effort to maximize the Bulldogs pressing style, the workouts are very intense and really focus on basketball specific movements, conditioning, and mental toughness.

In addition to the conditioning sessions, the Bulldogs are lifting weights daily and going through individual workouts 3 days a week.

PLAY OF THE WEEK—“32”



A great set to get one of two shooters a shot. 3 posts hard on the cross screen. 2 comes off the double and 5 flairs for 4. 5 slips and any hard hedge on a shooter, should get a layup.