

## PHILADELPHIA EAGLES PERSONNEL MOVES - 1997

- Thursday, February 20 - Free agent C **Raleigh McKenzie** signed a contract with the San Diego Chargers.
  - Monday, March 3 - Free agent QB **Mark Rypien** signed a contract with the St. Louis Rams.
  - Thursday, March 6 - Signed free agent C **Steve Everitt** (Baltimore Ravens) to a five-year contract ... Signed T **Jed Devries**, WR **Kevin Knox**, TE **Andre President**, CB **Eric Sutton**, and S **Tim Watson** to contracts ... Free agent TE **Ed West** signed a contract with the Atlanta Falcons.
  - Friday, March 7 - Signed restricted free agent K **Chris Boniol** (Dallas Cowboys) to an offer sheet.
  - Friday, March 14 - Were formally notified by the Dallas Cowboys that they will not match the Eagles' 4-year offer sheet signed by K **Chris Boniol**. Thus, Boniol officially becomes a member of the Eagles.
  - Monday, March 17 - Named **Joe Wessel** as special teams coach, **Sean Payton** as quarterbacks coach, and **David Shaw** as offensive assistant ... Reassigned **Ted Williams** from tight ends coach to running backs coach, **Danny Smith** from special teams coach to defensive backs coach, and **Juan Castillo** from offensive assistant to tight ends coach.
  - Friday, March 21 - Signed free agent T/G **Harry Boatswain** (New York Jets) to a two-year contract.
  - Tuesday, March 25 - Re-signed LB **Sylvester Wright**, S **Deral Boykin**, and WR **Freddie Solomon** ... Signed WR **Mike Caldwell**, WR **Jasper Strong**, WR **Steve Rhem**, FB **Rudy Harris**, FB **Larry Jones**, RB **Yonel Jourdain**, CB **Keita Crespina**, CB **Akili Johnson**, and DT **Stacey Dillard** ... Free agent CB **Johnny Thomas** signed a contract with the San Diego Chargers.
  - Tuesday, April 1 - Re-signed QB **Rodney Peete** to a one-year contract.
  - Friday, April 4 - Signed free agent WR **Nate Singleton** (San Francisco 49ers) and free agent RB **Corey Croom** each to one-year contracts.
  - Monday, April 14 - Signed restricted free agent DE **Ferric Collons** (New England Patriots) to an offer sheet ... Free agent DE **William Fuller** signed a contract with the San Diego Chargers.
  - Friday, April 18 - Traded DT **Ronnie Dixon** to the New York Jets for a seventh-round pick in 1997 ... The New England Patriots formally notified the Eagles that they have matched the Birds' offer sheet signed by **Ferric Collons**. Thus Collons remains a Patriot ... Signed DE **John Duff** to a one-year contract ... Re-signed defensive tackle **Michael Samson** to a one-year contract ... Released CB **Akili Johnson**.
  - Saturday, April 19 - Signed free agent LB **Darrin Smith** (Dallas Cowboys) to a one-year contract ... Traded their 1st round pick (the 22nd overall) to Dallas for the Cowboys' first round pick (the 25th overall), their 5th round pick (the 155th overall), and their best 3rd round pick in 1998 ... Selected DE **Jon Harris** (Virginia) in the 1st round (the 25th selection overall) ... Traded their 2nd round pick (the 55th overall) to San Francisco for the 49ers' 2nd round pick (the 57th overall), their 6th round pick (the 190th overall), and their 7th round pick (the 227th overall) ... Selected LB **James Darling** (Washington State) in the 2nd round (the 57th selection overall) ... Traded their 3rd round pick (the 84th overall) and their 6th round pick (the 188th overall) to Arizona for the Cardinals' 3rd round pick (the 71st overall) ... Selected RB **Duce Staley** (South Carolina) in the 3rd round (the 71st selection overall).
  - Sunday, April 20 - Selected S **Damien Robinson** (Iowa) in the 4th round (the 119th selection overall) ... Selected DE **Ndukwe Kalu** (Rice) in the 5th round (the 152nd selection overall) ... Selected TE **Luther Broughton** (Furman) in the 5th round (the 155th selection overall) ... Selected WR **Antwan Wyatt** (Bethune-Cookman) in the 6th round (the 190th selection overall) ... Selected DT **Edward Jasper** (Texas A&M) in the 6th round (the 198th selection overall) ... Selected QB **Koy Detmer** (Colorado) in the 7th round (the 207th selection overall) ... Selected CB **Byron Capers** (Florida State) in the 7th round (the 225th selection overall) ... Selected CB **Deauntae Brown** (Central State, Ohio) in the 7th round (the 227th selection overall).
  - Tuesday, April 22 - Agreed to terms with the following rookie free agents: DE **Damion Cooper**, LB **DeShawn Fogle**, G **Anthony Heyward**, C **Dan Hoover**, FB **Maurice McGregor**, DB **Anthony Rice**, G **Kireem Swinton**, WR **James Thrash**, and RB **Corey Walker** ... Released K **Gary Anderson** and CB **Don Griffin**.
  - Wednesday, April 23 - Agreed to terms with free agent G **Mike Zandofsky** (Atlanta Falcons) on a one-year contract ... Agreed to terms with rookie free agent TE **Chad Lewis**.
  - Friday, April 25 - Re-signed S **James Fuller** to a one-year contract ... Signed rookie free agent T **James Butler**.
  - Saturday, May 17 - Free agent G **Lester Holmes** signed a contract with the Oakland Raiders.
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- Monday, June 2 - Agreed to terms with WR **Michael Timpson** (Chicago Bears) and WR **Russell Copeland** (Buffalo Bills) on one-year contracts ... Re-signed TE **Jimmie Johnson** to a two-year contract ... Released WR **Jasper Strong**.
  - Wednesday, June 4 - Agreed to terms with G **Ian Beckles** (Tampa Bay Buccaneers) on a two-year contract ... Signed S **Damien Robinson** (1997 4th round pick) to a three-year contract ... Signed QB **Koy Detmer** (1997 7th round pick) to a two-year contract ... Signed CB **Byron Capers** (1997 7th round pick) to a two-year contract ... Signed CB **Deauntae Brown** (1997 7th round pick).
  - Tuesday, June 10 - Signed DE **Jon Harris** (1997 1st round pick) to a five-year contract.
  - Thursday, June 12 - Signed RB **Duce Staley** (1997 3rd round pick) to a three-year contract ... Re-signed C **Morris Unutoa** to a one-year contract.
  - Friday, June 13 - Re-signed DT **Hollis Thomas** to a four-year contract.
  - Monday, June 16 - Re-signed RB **Charlie Garner** to a one-year contract.
  - Tuesday, July 1 - Re-signed RB **Derrick Witherspoon** to a one-year contract ... Signed WR **Antwuan Wyatt** (1997 6th round pick) to a two-year contract.
  - Tuesday, July 8 - Signed FB **Brad Baxter** to a two-year contract ... Signed T **Jerry Crafts** to a one-year contract ... Signed T **Marc Lamb** to a two-year contract ... Released the following players: T **James Butler**, CB **Keita Crespina**, RB **Corey Croom**, C **Dan Hoover**, RB **Maurice McGregor**, G **Kireem Swinton**, and WR **James Thrash**.
  - Tuesday, July 15 - Signed DE **Ndukwe Kalu** (1997 5th round pick) to a three-year contract ... Signed TE **Luther Broughton** (1997 5th round pick) to a two-year contract.
  - Wednesday, July 16 - Signed LB **James Darling** (1997 2nd round pick) to a three-year contract ... Signed DT **Edward Jasper** (1997 6th round pick) to a two-year contract ... Agreed to terms with DE **Darion Conner** on a one-year contract.
  - Saturday, July 19 - Re-signed G **Joe Panos** to a one-year contract ... Signed WR **Mark Seay** to a one-year contract and WR **Alan Allen** to a two-year contract ... Announced that WR **Mike Caldwell** retired ... Released WR **Steve Rhem**.
  - Sunday, July 20 - Released C **Marc Lamb**.
  - Tuesday, July 22 - Agreed to terms with DE **Jimmie Jones** on a one-year contract.
  - Wednesday, July 23 - Released S **James Fuller**.
  - Tuesday, July 29 - Agreed to terms with CB **Charles Dimry** on a one-year contract.
  - Wednesday, July 30 - Released G **Anthony Heyward**.
  - Wednesday, August 13 - Released the following eight players: WR **Alan Allen**, FB **Brad Baxter**, DE **Damion Cooper**, DT **Stacey Dillard**, RB **Yonel Jourdain**, WR **Kevin Knox**, S **Thomas McGaughey**, CB **Anthony Rice**.
  - Monday, August 18 - Released FB **Rudy Harris** ... Placed TE **Andre President** on the Injured Reserve list.
  - Tuesday, August 19 - Released S **Deral Boykin**, WR **Dialleo Burks**, CB **Byron Capers**, T **Jed DeVries**, DE **John Duff**, FB **Larry Jones**, LB **Whit Marshall**, DT **Michael Samson**, and WR **Freddie Solomon** ... Placed T **Richard Cooper**, CB **Fredric Ford**, and RB **Corey Walker** on the Injured Reserve list.
  - Friday, August 22 - Acquired G **Sean Love** from the New York Jets for past considerations ... Placed QB **Koy Detmer** on the Injured Reserve list.
  - Sunday, August 24 - Released G **Harry Boatswain**, WR **Russell Copeland**, LB **DeShawn Fogle**, WR **Nate Singleton**, CB **Eric Sutton**, and LB **Sylvester Wright** ... Traded G **Ben Cavil** to the Baltimore Ravens for undisclosed terms.
  - Monday, August 25 - Claimed S **Matt Stevens** off waivers from the Buffalo Bills ... Claimed S **Blaine McElmurry** off waivers from the Tennessee Oilers ... Released G **Sean Love** and S **Damien Robinson**.
  - Wednesday, August 27 - Acquired CB **Willie Clark** from the Baltimore Ravens for undisclosed terms ... The National Football League has notified S **Matt Stevens** that he has been suspended for the club's first four regular season games in accordance with the NFL Policy for Anabolic Steroids and Related Substances ... Signed S **Damien Robinson**, LB **DeShawn Fogle**, RB **James Allen**, CB **Tim McTyer**, and G **Patrick Augafa** to the practice squad.
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- Friday, August 29 - Signed LB **DeShawn Fogle** from the practice squad ... Released S **Blaine McElmurry**.
  - Monday, September 1 - Signed WR **Freddie Solomon** to a one-year contract ... Placed WR **Antwan Wyatt** on the Injured Reserved list.
  - Tuesday, September 2 - Signed LB **Jeff Herrod** and DE **Richard Dent** each to one-year contracts ... Released LB **DeShawn Fogle** and CB **Deauntae Brown** ... Signed RB **Deland McCullough** and WR **Geroy Simon** to the practice squad ... Released RB **James Allen** and CB **Tim McTyer** from the practice squad.
  - Thursday, September 4 - Signed LB **DeShawn Fogle** to the practice squad.
  - Wednesday, September 10 - Signed RB **James Allen** to the practice squad ... Released RB **Deland McCullough** from the practice squad.
  - Wednesday, September 17 - Signed S **Charles Emanuel** to a one-year contract ... Released S **Tim Watson** ... Practice squad S **Damien Robinson** signed a contract with the Tampa Bay Buccaneers.
  - Thursday, September 18 - Signed CB **Tim McTyer** to the practice squad.
  - Tuesday, September 23 - Signed WR **Justin Armour** to a one-year contract ... Signed K **Lonny Calicchio** to the practice squad ... Released RB **Derrick Witherspoon** ... Released WR **Geroy Simon** from the practice squad.
  - Saturday, September 27 - Signed K **Lonny Calicchio** from the practice squad ... Released WR **Justin Armour**.
  - Tuesday, September 29 - Re-signed WR **Justin Armour** to a one-year contract ... Released K **Lonny Calicchio** ... The National Football League has reinstated S **Matt Stevens** from a four-game suspension.
  - Thursday, October 2 - Re-signed K **Lonny Calicchio** to the practice squad.
  - Monday, October 6 - The one-week roster exemption for S **Matt Stevens** has ended. Thus, Stevens becomes a member of the Eagles' 53-man roster ... Released DT **Andy Harmon**.
  - Friday, October 17 - Signed CB **Tim McTyer** from the practice squad ... Placed CB **Bobby Taylor** on the Injured Reserve list.
  - Monday, October 27 - Signed LB **James Willis** to a contract extension. Willis, whose contract would have expired at the end of the season, received a three-year extension through the year 2000.
  - Wednesday, October 29 - Signed K **Lonny Calicchio** from the practice squad ... Placed S **Charles Emanuel** on the Injured Reserve list ... Signed CB **Anthony Rice** and WR **Eric Matthews** to the practice squad.
  - Tuesday, November 4 - Signed WR **Russell Copeland** to a two-year contract ... Signed LB **DeShawn Fogle** from the practice squad ... Released K **Lonny Calicchio** and WR **Justin Armour**.
  - Wednesday, November 5 - Signed G **Sean Love** to a two-year contract ... Released H-Back **Luther Broughton** and signed him to the practice squad.
  - Wednesday, November 12 - Released G **Mike Zandofsky**.
  - Thursday, November 13 - Claimed CB **Randy Kinder** off waivers from the Green Bay Packers.
  - Wednesday, November 19 - Signed G/T **Harry Boatwain** to a one-year contract ... Placed LB **Darrin Smith** on the Injured Reserve list.
  - Tuesday, December 2 - Signed RB/KR **Mel Gray** to a one-year contract ... Signed DE/LB **Al Wallace** from the Jacksonville Jaguars practice squad to a two-year contract ... Released LB **DeShawn Fogle** and G/T **Harry Boatwain** ... Released WR **Eric Matthews** from the practice squad.
  - Wednesday, December 3 - Re-signed LB **DeShawn Fogle** to the practice squad.
  - Wednesday, December 10 - Re-signed LB **DeShawn Fogle** from the practice squad ... Released WR **Mark Seay**.
  - Monday, December 16 - TE **Luther Broughton**, a member of the practice squad, signed a contract with the Carolina Panthers.
  - Sunday, December 21 - Signed QB **Rodney Peete** to a contract extension. Peete, whose contract would have expired at the end of the season, received a three-year extension through the year 2000.
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