

**ARIZONA CARDINALS SIXTH-ROUND SELECTION
204TH OVERALL
OLB WILL DAVIS (WD)-ILLINOIS**

On if he was nervous throughout the day:

(WD): “Yeah, I was very nervous. I was praying I would go to the right team rather than just get picked. I feel like it was the right team.”

On why he feels the Cardinals were the right team:

(WD): “It was crazy. My girlfriend and I were actually driving back to my house in Champagne, she lives in Havana, we were driving back here to meet up with my family and we actually hit a cardinal on the way. I looked at her and started laughing and said ‘well that could be a sign.’ We started laughing about it. I just got picked by them so it has to be the right team. If that’s not the right team, I don’t know what is. We didn’t kill it, luckily, so that makes it even better. I just needed to calm myself through the draft, but I am calm now. This whole time I was praying not really to get drafted high, but to get drafted to the right place because in the NFL that’s what it is really all about. Getting drafted to a place that compliments you and has a great coaching staff and great players around you. I felt like it can’t get any better.”

On possibly moving to linebacker in the Cardinals’ 3-4 defense:

(WD): “That is basically where I have been training at and getting ready for. I just had a feeling that, that is where I would be playing in the NFL. I have been looking forward to it and I’m really looking forward to it now. That is what is making me really excited also.”

On how much his ankle injury set him back his senior year:

(WD): “It set me back bad this whole way through. I feel happy because I know I have a lot to prove. Through the combine and everything, getting sick, even my pro day not being at full strength because I was so sick. I came out with throat surgery. It was just a bunch of things happening to me one at a time. I basically got through it and I am just happy that I am here.”

On the details of his throat surgery:

(WD): “I was sick at the combine. When I woke up in the morning at the combine, the right side of my throat was closed. It was basically swollen. Right after the combine on the plane ride, I started getting worse. Basically my whole throat was closing up on me. I couldn’t swallow on my own. I didn’t eat for four days. They had to go in there and make some incisions that cut out puss and everything in the back of my throat. It was getting bad, but I made it through and I’m glad I did. It was an infection in the back of my throat. By the time the pro day came around, I wasn’t at full strength because I wasn’t even allowed to start working out again for awhile. So I felt like I could have done so much better. That is what I have been praying about the whole time, even before the combine and the senior bowl and everything, is just to get drafted to the right place and not even worry about when I got drafted. I am just excited right now.”

On if he feels the Cardinals got a steal by drafting him so late:

(WD): “Definitely. I am not going to say it too much. I know a lot of guys would say that because they got drafted lower. I am going to go out there and prove it. I am going in there like I have a lot to prove. I have always played out of it and played better when I had something to really strive for and I do right now. I feel like I have it in a good place.”

On whom he hired as an agent:

(WD): “Rick Smith with Priority Sports. It’s the same agency as Kurt Warner’s agent.”