PATRICK GARNER 1VL
F/C, 6-9, 240, Junior
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Wade Hampton High School

GENERAL: Local product who heads into the 1998-99 season with a somewhat undefined role due to participation in Furman’s football program, which he joined in the pre-season as a reserve tight end and member of special teams...football participation was his first since the eighth grade...in basketball, appears slated for reserve status along Furman’s front line behind returning veterans Will Coles and Daniel Quigley, and newcomers Stanislav Makshantsev and Stevan Petrovic...is capable of contributing at either post position...has experience as a starter and as a backup...possesses excellent physical strength...any notable contribution would be a major bonus for the Paladins’ inside game this season...began his collegiate career at Clemson under then Tiger head coach Rick Barnes...spent one season at Clemson before transferring to Furman prior to the start of the 1996-97 campaign...sat out the 1997-98 season due to NCAA transfer rules before seeing action this past year.

AS A SOPHOMORE (1997-98): Registered his first playing time after joining the Furman program prior to the start of the 1996-97 season...saw action in 26 games and started at center in seven early season contests before giving way to Daniel Quigley just prior to Christmas...averaged 4.0 points and 2.7 rebounds per game during his seven-game tenure as a starter...finished the season averaging 2.6 points and 2.1 rebounds per game...in only his second start racked up a career high 33 minutes of action, connected on 5-of-8 FGs, and tallied a career high 11 points and five rebounds in a 75-73 loss to Stetson in Deland...came back the next game and scored nine points in an 80-57 loss to William & Mary...claimed a career high six rebounds in a 63-54 loss to Davidson in Greenville...had three steals in the Paladins’ 79-52 loss to South Carolina in Greenville.

AS A REDSHIRT SOPHOMORE (1996-97): Practiced but was not eligible to compete due to NCAA transfer rules.

AS A FRESHMAN (1995-96): Saw limited action in eight games at Clemson, serving as a reserve forward...logged only 31 minutes and scored only seven points...team finished 18-11 overall.

HIGH SCHOOL: 1995 graduate of Wade Hampton High School...prep coach was Ed Yount...led Wade Hampton into the state playoffs his junior and senior seasons...scored a team high 20 points in the 1995 Converse All-American Game...also played in the 1995 South Carolina North-South All-Star Game...averaged 15.4 ppg and 9.6 rpg, and shot 57% from the field as a senior...named team MVP in his final year at Wade Hampton.

PERSONAL: Full name is Patrick Lacey Garner...son of Steve and Gale Garner...born July 11, 1976, in Greenville, South Carolina...father played football and baseball at Gardner-Webb...communications major.

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