

# **LESLIE FRAZIER**

### ASSISTANT HEAD COACH / DEFENSIVE COORDINATOR

Leslie Frazier is in his sixth season as the Bills defensive coordinator and third as the team's assistant head coach. Under Frazier's watch from 2017-21, the Bills rank among the league's best units including ranking first in total defense (314 YPG), second in takeways (131), first in passing defense (199.7 YPG), third in points per game allowed (20.4 PPG) and first in opposing passer rating (78.6).



## **COACHING HIGHLIGHTS**

#### 2017-present: (Bills)

- In 2021, the Bills finished the season as the number one total defense (272.8) and number one scoring defense (17.0 ppg).
   It was the first time in franchise history that Buffalo had the number one scoring defense.
- In 2020, the Bills tied a team record by winning 13 regular season games. CB Tre'Davious White and LB Tremaine Edmunds were both named to the Pro Bowl, with White also garnering AP First-Team All Pro honors.
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- In 2018, the Bills defense finished second in the NFL, allowing 294.1 yards per game, which was the Bills highest rank since they finished first in 1999.
- In 2017, the Bills defense featured a new safety duo of Micah Hyde and Jordan Poyer, who were the only twosome to each have 5+ INTs. They also were the first safety duo in NFL history to each capture an NFC defensive player of the month award.

#### 2016: (Ravens)

 As the Ravens secondary coach, Baltimore led the NFL in interceptions with 18 and ranked second in 3rd down defense (35.05%).

#### 2014-15: (Buccaneers)

- As defensive coordinator, guided the team to a No. 10 ranking in total yards allowed (340.4 ypg) in 2015 season
- In 2014, the unit finished with 36 sacks tied for the most by a Tampa Bay defense since 2004.
- Helped Gerald McCoy earn Pro Bowl recognition in 2014 and 2015 and LaVonte David in 2014.

#### 2007-13: (Vikings)

- Originally joined Minnesota in 2007 as its defensive coordinator, before adding assistant head coach duties (2008-10). Was promoted to interim head coach for the final six games of the 2010 campaign and then served as head coach from 2011-13.
- As the defensive coordinator, their unit finished in the top 10 three times (6th in 2008 and 2009, 8th in 2010) in total yards allowed
- During his seven seasons in Minnesota, the Vikings' pass rush tallied the NFL's most sacks (297) and second-most forced fumbles (114).

#### 2005-06: (Colts)

 Working as the assistant to head coach (Tony Dungy) and defensive backs coach, helped Indy capture Super Bowl XLI over the Chicago Bears. En route to the championship, the Colts forced 13 turnovers (including 7 INTs) and tallied 8 sacks in four postseason games.

#### 2003-04: (Bengals)

• Spent two seasons as the Bengals' defensive coordinator.

#### 1999-2002: (with Philadelphia)

- In four seasons as the Eagles' defensive backs coach, guided cornerback Troy Vincent (four) and Hall of Fame safety Brian Dawkins (three) to multiple Pro Bowl honors
- Working alongside current Bills Head Coach Sean McDermott, Frazier and the Eagles earned playoff berths in his final three seasons. Philly captured NFC East titles from 2001-02 and advanced to the NFC Championship game each season.

#### 1997-98: (with Illinois)

• Worked with the defensive backs as part of Ron Turner's coaching staff.

#### 1988-96: (with Trinity)

 At the age of 29, Frazier became the first-ever head coach for the school's new football program. He turned the team into a consistent contender, claiming Northern Illinois Intercollegiate Conference titles twice. The school, now known as Trinity International University, named its football field in Frazier's honor in 1997 as a tribute to his outstanding impact.

## **PLAYER**

- Played six seasons as a defensive back for the Chicago Bears (1981-86) and started on the historic 1985 Super Bowl Championship team. He led Chicago in interceptions threeconsecutive seasons (1983-85), finishing his pro career with 20 thefts for 343 return yards and 2 touchdowns.
- In 1985, the Bears won Super Bowl XX, 46-10, over the New England Patriots. He posted a team-high six INTs for 119 return yards and one TD as a member of one of the NFL's all-time greatest defenses.
- In 1983, tallied a career-high and team-best seven INTs (135 return yards), including 1 interception that produced a score.

## COLLEGE

 Was an All-American defensive back and baseball standout at Alcorn State University. In 2007, Frazier was inducted into the SWAC Hall of Fame, and in 2012, he was inducted into the Alcorn State Hall of Fame. Earned a degree in business administration.

# **PERSONAL**

- Attended S.D. Lee (Columbus, MS) HS, where he was a standout football, basketball and baseball player.
- Frazier and his wife, Gale, have three children: Kieron, Chantel and Corey, who played defensive back at Rice.
- Inducted into the Mississippi Sports Hall of Fame in 2017.

FRAZIER'S COACHING HISTORY		
NFL Buffalo Bills Buffalo Bills Buffalo Bills Baltimore Ravens Tampa Bay Buccaneers Minnesota Vikings Minnesota Vikings Minnesota Vikings Minnesota Vikings Indianapolis Colts Indianapolis Colts	2020- 2017-19 2016 2014-15 2011-13 2010 2008-10 2007 2006 2005	Defensive Coordinator/Assistant Head Coach Defensive Coordinator Secondary Defensive Coordinator Head Coach Interim Head Coach Assistant Head Coach/Defensive Coordinator Defensive Coordinator Assistant to Head Coach/Defensive Backs Defensive Assistant
Cincinnati Bengals Philadelphia Eagles  COLLEGE University of Illinois	2003-04 1999-2002 1997-1998	Defensive Coordinator Defensive Backs Defensive Backs
Trinity International University	1988-1996	Head Coach