

Former Ohio State Guard Taylor Mikesell Makes WNBA Debut With Atlanta Dream



After being signed by the Atlanta Dream last week, former Ohio State guard Taylor Mikesell made her formal WNBA debut on Friday.

In a 106-83 loss to the New York Liberty, Mikesell played five minutes off the bench, finishing with six points on 2-of-3 shooting, with all of her attempts coming from beyond the arc. She also added an assist for the evening.

Mikesell was taken with the 13th overall pick in the 2023 WNBA Draft by the Indiana Fever, but was cut just prior to the season beginning. She had appeared in one preseason game for the Fever prior to being cut, but was able to catch on with the Dream to continue her professional career. The Dream are off to a 2-4 start this season and have been among the WNBA's worst three-point shooting teams, so Mikesell's addition could be an important factor.

During her time at Ohio State, Mikesell - who transferred to the Buckeyes from Oregon - was a two-time first-team All-Big Ten selection, and in her final season at Ohio State, made the preseason and midseason watch lists for the Ann Meyers-Drysdale Award, Naismith Trophy and Wooden Award. She holds the program record in free-throw percentage (.878) and is second all-time in three-point percentage (.442).