

Former Ohio State Standout Malcolm Jenkins Returns, Signs With Saints



Malcolm Jenkins is returning to where his NFL career began.

The former two-time All-American at Ohio State signed with the Saints, where he won the Super Bowl as a rookie in 2010.

Back where it all started. @MalcolmJenkins @Saints pic.twitter.com/LX7DLkgLZC

— NFL (@NFL) March 18, 2020

Jenkins leaves Philadelphia, where he also won a Super Bowl in 2017. He recorded exact stat lines of four solo tackles and one pass defensed in both of his Super Bowl victories.

As a key part of the Saints defense, Jenkins played in 71 games across five seasons in New Orleans, including 63 starts from 2009-13. The former three-time All-Big Ten first-team cornerback converted to safety as a Saint, recording six interceptions, six forced fumbles and three touchdowns, including this 96-yard pick six as a second-year player on Dec. 12, 2010 against the Rams:

See you back in the Big Easy, @MalcolmJenkins. @Saints (Dec. 12, 2010)
pic.twitter.com/m5pZitxxR3

— NFL Throwback (@nflthrowback) March 18, 2020

The Saints will not likely sign fellow former Ohio State defensive back Vonn Bell, making Jenkins the presumed starter. Bell, a former All-American, started 45 of 61 games in four years in The Big Easy.

The secondary in New Orleans has the potential of an elite group, featuring two-time Pro Bowler and former Buckeye Marshon Lattimore and 2016 Pro Bowler Janoris Jenkins at outside corner. The back end also includes Malcolm Jenkins and three-year starter Marcus Williams at safety, as well as solid

second-year corner CJ Gardner-Johnson and veteran Patrick Robinson in the slot.

Saints currently have Marshon Lattimore and Janoris Jenkins at perimeter corner. Marcus Williams and Malcolm Jenkins at safety. And 2019 4th rounder CJ Gardner-Johnson and Patrick Robinson as slot options. Loaded secondary.

— Mike Clay (@MikeClayNFL) March 18, 2020

Malcolm Jenkins brings leadership, excellence and durability to the Saints secondary. The former three-time All-Big Ten first-team performer started 96 straight games and did not miss a snap in five of his six seasons with the Eagles, which included three Pro Bowl nods.

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