

NBA MVP Nikola Jokic Gives Former Ohio State Guard Mike Conley Praise



Former Ohio State guard Mike Conley and the Minnesota Timberwolves have moved onto the Western Conference Finals after beating the reigning champion Denver Nuggets and league MVP Nikola Jokic.

After the series ended, Jokic was asked whether the two teams have become rivals over the last couple of years, which he said they have, giving Conley some credit.

“Yes. I think they’re built to beat us,” Jokic said. “Just look at their roster. They have basically two All-Stars, two All-Defensive First Team players, and Mike Conley, who’s the most underrated player in the NBA, probably. I love the guy. He’s so good.”

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In the series against the Nuggets, Conley had 11.0 points per game, 6.7 assists and 4.5 rebounds, shooting 77.8 percent from the free throw line. He was the fourth-leading scorer on the Timberwolves.

The 36-year old Conley is in his 17th NBA season after playing at Ohio State for one season and being selected with the fourth pick of the 2007 NBA draft by the Memphis Grizzlies, where he played for 12 seasons.

Conley and the Timberwolves tip off for Game One of the Western Conference Finals against the Dallas Mavericks at 8:30 p.m. on Wednesday.

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