

Bills promote CB Wheatley; TE Martin released

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With Aaron Willliams out indefinitely and **Terrence McGee** not yet ready to return for Sunday's game, the Bills made a move Tuesday to bolster their cornerback contingent. Buffalo promoted CB **Terrence Wheatley** to the active roster from the team's practice squad.

Wheatley (5'9" 185), a former second-round pick of the New England Patriots (2008), appeared in 11 games for the Patriots his first two NFL seasons in a reserve capacity, but staying healthy proved to be an issue early in his career. In his first career start for the Patriots in 2008 he suffered a wrist injury that landed him on injured reserve.

In 2010, while still with New England, he sustained a foot injury in the preseason and did not play the first half of the season. He was released a short time later and soon signed with Jacksonville last November. He appeared in one game for the Jaguars last year.

Wheatley went to training camp with Jacksonville this past summer, but was waived during final cuts.

The cornerback's athletic skills however, are irrefutable with a 40-time in the high 4.3s low 4.4s and a vertical leap of better than 36 inches. He had 11 career interceptions in college at Colorado.

With the addition of Wheatley Buffalo now has five healthy cornerbacks on their active roster, with McGee and Williams still on the mend.

TE Martin released

To make room for Wheatley on their 53-man roster the Bills terminated the contract of veteran tight end **David Martin**.

Martin originally signed with the Bills at the beginning of the 2010 season last September. Serving mainly in a blocking role at tight end, Martin had seven catches for 43 yards and a touchdown last season for Buffalo.

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