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## Washington Junior Doug Wrenn to Declare for NBA Draft

SEATTLE -- Doug Wrenn, who recently completed his junior season at the University of Washington, announced that he intends to forego his senior year and make himself available for the NBA Draft. The draft is scheduled for June 26.

Wrenn and his family issued the following statement Wednesday evening:

“First of all, I want to thank the University of Washington for the opportunity to obtain my education and to develop physically and mentally as a basketball player. Though it’s been a long journey, after receiving advice from Coach Romar and consulting with my family, I have made the decision to enter the NBA draft.

“Again, I want to thank Barbara Hedges, former Husky Coach Bob Bender and former Husky Assistant Coach Byron Boudreaux, my academic advisor, team physician & trainers, my team, family and friends and special thanks to Husky fans who have supported my efforts over the years.”

The 6-foot-6, 215-pound forward led Washington with 21 double-figure scoring games in 2003 under first-year Coach Lorenzo Romar. Wrenn ranked third among UW scorers with 12.4 points per game. He topped the team with an average of 5.8 rebounds that ranked 12th among Pac-10 players.

Wrenn earned first-team All-Pacific-10 Conference honors as a sophomore and also received the league’s Newcomer of the Year award in 2002. He ranked third among all Pac-10 scorers with an average of 19.5 points per game. That was the 11th best single-season scoring figure in Washington history and the highest by a Husky since 1987.

Wrenn reached the 30-point plateau in three consecutive games from Jan. 31-Feb. 9, 2002, becoming the third player in Washington history to accomplish that feat. He recorded four 30-point games and three double-doubles during the 2002 campaign and had 12 games with at least 20 points.

“Doug has been contemplating this for a while,” Husky coach Lorenzo Romar said Thursday of Wrenn’s decision to declare for the draft. “He feels like he’s ready, so we’re behind him 100 percent.”

Wrenn is the second Washington basketball player to leave school early for the draft, joining Mark Sanford who also departed after his junior season. Sanford was the 30th overall selection in the 1997 draft as a second-round choice of the Miami Heat.

A product of Seattle’s O’Dea High School, Wrenn was a Parade All-American and the 1998 Washington state Player of the Year. He transferred to UW from the University of Connecticut where he lettered for one season in 1999-2000 after appearing in 24 games. Wrenn averaged 2.3 points and 1.0 rebounds per game for defending national champion UConn.

## Douglas E. Wrenn

Junior, Forward, University of Washington, Ht. 6-6, Wt. 215

High School: O'Dea HS, Seattle, Wash.

Birthdate: January 21, 1980 (Little Rock, Ark.)

### STATISTICS

#### UNIVERSITY OF WASHINGTON (Seattle, Wash.)

SEASON	G /GS	MIN	FGM	FGA	PCT	FTM	FTA	PCT	REB	AVG	AST	TO	STL	PTS	AVG
2001-02	28 / 26	912	207	473	.438	114	195	.585	178	6.4	57	81	20	546	19.5
2002-03	27 / 23	827	131	342	.383	63	119	.529	157	5.8	51	71	28	334	12.4
<b>Totals</b>	<b>55 / 49</b>	<b>1739</b>	<b>338</b>	<b>815</b>	<b>.415</b>	<b>177</b>	<b>314</b>	<b>.564</b>	<b>335</b>	<b>6.1</b>	<b>108</b>	<b>152</b>	<b>48</b>	<b>880</b>	<b>16.0</b>

**3-pointers:** 2002: 18-66 (.273); 2003: 9-41 (.220). **Total:** 27-107 (.252)

#### UNIVERSITY OF CONNECTICUT (Storrs, Conn.)

SEASON	G /GS	MIN	FGM	FGA	PCT	FTM	FTA	PCT	REB	AVG	AST	TO	STL	PTS	AVG
1999-2000	24 / 2	169	23	41	.561	7	17	.412	23	1.0	7	16	8	55	2.3

**3-pointers:** 2000: 2-3 (.667)

### BACKGROUND

Two-year letterman junior forward who started 49 career games at Washington ... Had a huge impact after transferring from Connecticut after the 2000 season ... A 2002 all-conference performer who was also voted the Pac-10 Newcomer of the Year by the league's coaches ... His 16.0-point career scoring average is the 11th best among all-time Washington players ... In only two seasons, tied for 18th among modern-day Huskies (since 1977) with 45 career double-figure scoring games ... Had 14 career games with 20-or-more points ... Tied for fifth among all-time UW players with four 30-point scoring games ... A supremely athletic player and standout defender who frequently guarded the opposition's top scoring threat.

**2002-2003:** As a junior, played in all 27 games with 23 starts for UW which had a 10-17 record ... The Huskies defeated NCAA Tournament teams Stanford (Jan. 18) and Oregon (Feb. 22) ... Registered double-figure points a team-high 21 times ... Led the team and ranked 12th among Pac-10 players with 5.8 rebounds per game ... Topped all UW rebounders on 13 occasions ... Also led the team with 25 blocked shots ... His 12.4-point scoring average was third highest on the team ... Topped the 20-point plateau twice with 24 against USC (Jan. 4) and 23 at Stanford (Feb. 13) ... Posted two double-doubles ... Had a 24-point, 11-rebound performance against USC (Jan. 4) and a 13-points, 10-rebound effort against California (Jan. 16) ... Ranked third on the team with 51 assists.

**2001-2002:** As a sophomore, played in 28 games with 26 starts for UW which had an 11-18 record ... The Huskies defeated Pac-10 regular-season champion Oregon (Jan. 24) and runner-up California (Feb. 16) ... Voted the Pac-10 Newcomer of the Year by the conference coaches and was also a first-team All Pac-10 selection ... Reached the 30-point plateau four times and became the third player in UW history to record three consecutive 30-point performances (Jan. 31-Feb. 9). The other two were Louis Nelson (1973) and Bob Houbregs (1953) ... Ranked third among Pac-10 scorers (19.5 ppg) and was 13th among conference players in rebounding (6.4 rpg) ... His 546 points rank 10th among all-time Husky single-season scorers and his 19.5-point average ranks 11th ... Led all Husky scorers 21 times, reached the 20-point plateau on 12 occasions and had 24 double-figure scoring games ... Registered three double-doubles (points & rebounds) and ranked second on the team with 57 assists (2.0 apg) ... Hit the game-winning shot in a 75-74 win at New Mexico State (Dec. 8), a jumper in the lane with 0:06 left to play ... Named MVP of the 2001 Top of the World Classic

**2000-2001:** Sat out the season as a red-shirt after transferring from the University of Connecticut.

**1999-2000:** As a freshman at Connecticut, played 24 games ... Started two games, both of them Big East Conference contests ... Drew starting assignments against Georgetown and Syracuse ... Averaged 2.3 points and 1.0 rebounds per game while averaging 7.0 minutes off the bench for the defending national champion Huskies ... Scored season-high nine points against Fairfield (Dec. 23) ... Tallied eight points and six rebounds against UNC-Asheville (Dec. 4).

At O'Dea High School in Seattle, Wash., was a national Top 25 prospect among the class of 1998 ... Rated as the No. 4 small forward in the nation by *Recruiting USA* as a scholastic star at O'Dea ... Averaged 22.4 points, 8.4 rebounds, and 7.3 assists in his senior season in 1998 ... *Parade Magazine* All-American ... State of Washington high school Player of the Year in 1998 ... Led the Irish to a perfect 29-0 record and the state championship in his junior season in 1997 ... Did not play organized basketball in 1998-99 as he completed his high school academic requirements at two East Coast prep schools.