UPDATE - February 27, 2016

OFFSEASON HEADLINES

Front Office Top Priority - Re-sign CB Josh Norman - if deal cannot be reached, Norman expected to be Franchise Tagged (est. \$13.9MM)

GM Gettleman "excited" to have WR Kelvin Benjamin (knee) back from injury - Early 2016 WR Depth Chart: Benjamin, Ginn, Brown, Funchess

Veteran DE Charles Johnson's future with team uncertain; contract restructure or release likely

VETERAN BUILDING BLOCKS

** BLUE	** BLUE ELITE / * RED TIER II STARTER		Age	FA Year	2016 Cap Hit	Snaps
**	QB	Cam Newton	26	2021	\$19,500,000	1104
**	ILB	Luke Kuechly	24	2022	\$6,000,000	781
**	TE	Greg Olsen	30	2019	\$5,100,000	1082
**	С	Ryan Kalil	30	2017	\$10,329,000	1025
*	RB	Jonathan Stewart	28	2018	\$9,550,000	621
*	OLB	Thomas Davis	32	2018	\$7,500,000	1019

2016 FREE AGENTS

BLUE ELITE / RED TRAITS			Snaps	Rating
СВ	Josh Norman	28	1079	**
SS	Roman Harper	33	964	
СВ	Charles Tillman	34	723	
FB	Mike Tolbert	30	433	
DT	Kyle Love	29	331	
G	Amini Silatolu	27	246	
СВ	Cortland Finnegan	32	218	
DE	Frank Alexander	26	IR	
LS	J.J. Jansen	30	-	

TOP DRAFT PICKS UNDER ROOKIE DEAL

↑ ASCE	ASCENDING / Z TIER II / ZZ TIER III		Age	FA Year	2016 Cap Hit	Snaps
**	UT	Kawann Short	27	2017	\$1,473,192	771
↑	LG	Andrew Norwell	24	2017	\$604,000	834
↑	RG	Trai Turner	22	2018	\$753,620	1101
Z	NT	Star Lotulelei	26	2017	\$3,055,977	544
Z	RDE	Kony Ealy	24	2018	\$967,317	657
Z	WR	Kelvin Benjamin	24	2018	\$2,090,250	IR
Z	СВ	Bene Benwikere	24	2018	\$649,750	797
ZZ	OLB	Shaq Thompson	21	2019	\$2,001,983	369
ZZ	WR	Philly Brown	24	2017	\$605,000	770
ZZ	WR	Devin Funchess	21	2019	\$1,254,747	506

STARTERS LOST

UFA/RELEASE/TRADE Age FA/Cut New Team

ROSTER BUBBLE CUT/TRADE/RESTRUCTURE LIST

XX RELE	XX RELEASE? / X RESTRUCTURE			FA Year	2016 Cap Hit	Snaps
Х	LDE	Charles Johnson	29	2017	\$15,020,000	397
Х	LT	Michael Oher	29	2017	\$4,500,000	1111
ХХ	DE	Jared Allen	33	2017	\$8,500,000	662

ROSTER WATER INSIDER

OUR TAKE - FEBRUARY 2016

Built on young foundation of ascending talent and a unique 'team culture' - GM Dave Gettleman deserves credit for team's recent success in the draft - ILB Luke Kuechly recently underwent surgery to repair torn rotator cuff; expected to be ready for training camp - LT Michael Oher and RT Mike Remmers starting jobs are "safe for now" but the Front Office will consider offensive tackles in the early rounds of the draft

SALARY CAP

\$29,550,220

AVAILABLE CAP SPACE

OFF-DEF SPLIT

57%

43%

OFFENSE

DEFENSE

(NFL Avg - 54%) (NFL Avg - 46%)

TEAM NEEDS

Defensive End

NIC Cornerback

Right Tackle

Strong Safety

Strong Salety

Outside Cornerback #2

Left Tackle