

= Demetri McCamey =

Demetri McCamey , Jr . ( born February 21 , 1989 ) is an American professional basketball player for the Austin Spurs of the NBA Development League . His prior professional experience includes time with the NBA Development League 's Erie BayHawks , Rio Grande Valley Vipers and Fort Wayne Mad Ants , as well as time abroad with Hapoel Jerusalem , Mersin Büyükşehir Belediyesi , Oita Heat Devils and Cairns Taipans . He played college basketball for the University of Illinois where he completed his senior season in 2010 ? 11 and was the 2009 ? 10 Big Ten assists champion ( 7 @. @ 06 ) and the 2009 ? 10 NCAA runner @-@ up .

He played high school basketball with Big Ten Conference foe Evan Turner on the St. Joseph High School ( in Westchester ) basketball team . He was a first @-@ team All @-@ state selection according to numerous publications .

As a sophomore , he led the 2008 ? 09 team in scoring average , and he was chosen as a third team 2008 ? 09 All @-@ Big Ten Conference player by both the coaches and the media . During his junior season , he led the big ten in assists per game . He holds the Illinois single @-@ season assist / game ( 7 @. @ 06 ) and single @-@ game assists ( 16 ) records . Following the 2009 ? 10 All @-@ Big Ten Conference regular season , he was named a first @-@ team All @-@ conference selection by both the coaches and the media . He became the first Fighting Illini to average over seven assists per game over the course of a season during the 2009 ? 10 NCAA Division I men 's basketball season . As a senior , he was a third team All @-@ Big Ten selection for the 2010 ? 11 Big Ten season . As a senior his assist numbers fell , but his shooting percentages rose .

= = High school career = =

He was part of a 2005 Chicago area sophomore class that was considered to be the best in the history of the state of Illinois . It included Derrick Rose and his St. Joseph 's teammate Turner . Isiah Thomas is St. Joseph 's most famous basketball alum , but McCamey was at the time mentioned as the potential next great St. Joseph 's product . The class of 2007 was compared to the Chicago area class of 1979 that included Thomas , Terry Cummings , and Darrell Walker as well as the class of 1998 that included Quentin Richardson , Corey Maggette , Frank Williams , Bobby Simmons , Michael Wright . McCamey was considered the second best area prospect after Rose .

As a junior , he and Turner attended 2005 Midnight Madness with the Wisconsin Badgers men 's basketball team . At the beginning of his junior season , Chicago Tribune named him to its annual top Chicago metropolitan area basketball players list , and it ranked St. Joseph number three in the area . The team went to the state sectional final before its season ended with a 75 ? 72 sectional final loss to Proviso East High School . After his junior season , he was considered one of the top 25 prospects in the country in his class according to one scout , and he was given special mention by the Chicago Tribune and honorable mention by the Associated Press for all @-@ state honors .

During his senior season , his team was listed second to Rose 's Simeon Career Academy in the preseason Tribune Chicago area high school basketball team rankings . That season , he was named to the second @-@ team Associated Press 2006 ? 07 Class AA all @-@ state team , a day before Rose 's Simeon eliminated Turner 's St. Joseph in the Illinois Class AA supersectional . McCamey and Turner finished sixth and third to Rose in the Illinois Mr. Basketball voting , and the Chicago Tribune chose both of them as first team All @-@ state selections along with Rose . He was also a first team selection by Chicago Sun @-@ Times , Champaign @-@ Urbana News @-@ Gazette and Illinois Basketball Coaches Association . McCamey was ranked as the # 10 , # 11 and # 10 point guard in the nation as a high school senior by ESPN , Rivals.com , and Scout.com respectively .

= = College career = =

= = = Freshman season = = =

When McCamey posted 31 points on February 7 , 2008 against Indiana , it was the season high for the 2007 @-@ 08 Illinois Fighting Illini men 's basketball team and the most by an Illinois Fighting Illini men 's basketball freshman in fourteen years . During the 2008 Big Ten Conference Men 's Basketball Tournament he made six three point shots in six attempts against Purdue , which set a Big Ten Conference Men 's Basketball Tournament single @-@ game record and tied the Illinois school single @-@ game record for three point field goal percentage ( most made with no misses ) .

== = Sophomore season == =

He was chosen as a third team 2008 ? 09 All @-@ Big Ten Conference player by both the Big Ten coaches and the Big Ten media . McCamey was also a National Association of Basketball Coaches ( NABC ) Division I District 7 All ? District second team choice . Since the Big Ten Conference was its own district , this is equivalent to being named second team All @-@ Big Ten by the NABC . He led the 2008 ? 09 Illinois Fighting Illini team in scoring average and was second in assists . On February 12 , 2009 , he scored the game @-@ winning bank shot with 2 @.@ 9 seconds remaining against Northwestern . Although he only ranked fourth in the conference in assists , he had the highest assist average in conference games .

== = Junior season == =

McCamey was named co @-@ Big Ten Conference Player of the Week for February 8 , 2010 . On February 20 , he recorded 16 assists , which is the fourth highest single @-@ game total in Big Ten history . This total set an Illinois Fighting Illini men 's basketball single @-@ game record .

McCamey led the Big Ten in assists ( 7 @.@ 06 ) . He was also tenth in scoring and eighth in steals . His 254 assists in 36 games resulting in a 7 @.@ 06 assist per game average eclipsed Deron Williams ' 264 in 39 games ( 6 @.@ 77 average ) posted during the 2004 ? 05 NCAA Division I men 's basketball season . Thus , McCamey took over the Fighting Illini single @-@ season assist per game record . His total of 254 was the fourth highest in Big Ten history and only 20 shy of Mateen Cleaves ' Big Ten single @-@ season record of 274 . Williams ' 264 is the Fighting Illini record . McCamey 's total of 525 after his junior season left him 291 short of Cleaves ' career record of 816 . Bruce Douglas holds the Fighting Illini record with a total of 765 .

At the end of the regular season , he was a first @-@ team All @-@ Big Ten selection by both the coaches and the media . McCamey was selected by the U.S. Basketball Writers Association to the ten @-@ man All @-@ District V team covering college basketball players in the states of Ohio , Indiana , Illinois , Michigan , Minnesota , and Wisconsin . McCamey was selected to the 2010 Big Ten Conference Men 's Basketball Tournament team . He was recognized as an All @-@ District first @-@ team selection by the National Association of Basketball Coaches , making him eligible for the State Farm Division I All ? America teams . McCamey had entered his name for the 2010 NBA Draft , but did not hire an agent and withdrew his name prior to the May 8 , 2010 deadline .

== = Senior season == =

He was a preseason first team all @-@ conference selection by the Big Ten media for the 2010 ? 11 Big Ten Conference men 's basketball season . He was a preseason top 50 candidate for the Wooden Award . McCamey scored 30 points for the first time since his freshman season on December 8 , 2010 against the Oakland Golden Grizzlies . On January 3 , 2011 , he was named co @-@ Big Ten Player of the Week . On January 15 , 2011 against Wisconsin , he made a career @-@ high 17 free throws .

In December he was named to the 67 @-@ man Bob Cousy Award watchlist , and he was named as one of 20 finalists in January . McCamey was selected to the Naismith Award Midseason Top 30 List . Following the 2010 ? 11 Big Ten Conference men 's basketball season , he was a third team

All @-@ Big Ten selection by the coaches and the media . McCamey was selected by the United States Basketball Writers Association to its 2010 ? 11 Men 's All @-@ District Team . He was among the final ten candidates for the Bob Cousy Award .

As a senior , his assist average fell from 7 @.@ 1 to 6 @.@ 1 per game , but his three @-@ point shot and free throw percentages rose from his prior years . He shot 45 @.@ 1 % versus 34 @.@ 1 % in three point shots the prior year , which had been a career best . Both his junior and senior seasons he took 164 attempts , but he made 74 as a senior versus just 56 as a junior . His free throw percentage also recovered a bit in his senior season moving to 72 @.@ 4 % from 70 @.@ 7 % but still below his sophomore effort of 76 @.@ 4 % . He finished second in the Big Ten in assists to Darius Morris , but also finished third in three point shooting percentage .

= = Professional career = =

= = = Europe = = =

On July 14 , 2011 , McCamey signed with Mersin Büyükşehir Belediyesi of the Turkish Basketball League . On December 8 , 2011 , he parted ways with Mersin after appearing in just seven games . On December 16 , 2011 , he signed with Hapoel Jerusalem . In January 2012 , he left Hapoel after appearing in just four games .

= = = National Basketball Association = = =

In July 2012 , McCamey joined the Chicago Bulls for the 2012 NBA Summer League . On September 25 , 2012 , he signed with the Houston Rockets . However , he was later waived by the Rockets on October 12 , 2012 . In November 2012 , he was acquired by the Rio Grande Valley Vipers of the NBA Development League as an affiliate player of the Rockets . He played in games for the Vipers until December 21 . On December 25 , 2012 , he was waived by the Vipers . Two days later , he was acquired by the Erie BayHawks and debuted with the team on December 28 . On March 12 , 2013 , he was waived by the BayHawks . Later that month , he was acquired by the Fort Wayne Mad Ants .

In July 2013 , McCamey joined the Minnesota Timberwolves for the 2013 NBA Summer League .

= = = Australia = = =

On August 27 , 2013 , McCamey signed a one @-@ year deal with Cairns Taipans . In 28 games for the Taipans , he averaged 11 @.@ 6 points , 3 @.@ 3 rebounds and 2 @.@ 9 assists per game .

= = = Japan = = =

In August 2014 , McCamey signed with the Oita Heat Devils of the Japanese bj league . In 50 games for the Heat Devils , he averaged 12 @.@ 9 points , 3 @.@ 3 rebounds , 3 @.@ 3 assists and 1 @.@ 1 steals per game .

= = = Return to D @-@ League = = =

On October 31 , 2015 , McCamey was selected by the Austin Spurs in the second round of the 2015 NBA Development League Draft and made the opening night roster .

= = Personal = =

McCamey is the son of Demetri McCamey , Sr. and Sabrina Watson . He has three brothers and

one sister . He was a member of the Jessie White Tumbling Team as a youngster .