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**BILL WALSH NFL MINORITY COACHING FELLOWSHIP  
ADVISORY COUNCIL ESTABLISHED**

***FELLOWSHIP ATTRACTS 91 TRAINING CAMP PARTICIPANTS,  
INCLUDING 26 FORMER NFL PLAYERS***

The NFL has established the **BILL WALSH NFL MINORITY COACHING FELLOWSHIP ADVISORY COUNCIL** to further enhance the idea conceived by the late Pro Football Hall of Fame head coach Bill Walsh, NFL Commissioner **ROGER GOODELL** announced today. Walsh introduced the concept to expose talented minority college coaches to the NFL’s methods and philosophies when he invited a group of minority coaches to participate in San Francisco 49ers’ training camp.

Ninety-one minority coaches took part in this summer’s Bill Walsh NFL Minority Coaching Fellowship. The program has mentored more than 1,500 minority coaches since it was established in 1987.

The 13-member council – comprised of club presidents, general managers, head coaches and assistant coaches – will focus on developing a pipeline of minority coaches, including former NFL players pursuing opportunities in the coaching profession.

“It is imperative we continue to create opportunities, not only in coaching but in every other aspect of the league,” said Kansas City Chiefs general manager and Bill Walsh NFL Minority Coaching Fellowship Advisory Council member **SCOTT PIOLI**. “This fellowship program is important as long as we continue to teach and mentor individuals with one basic premise in mind – educate. I am a firm believer in the proverb of, ‘Give a man a fish and you feed him for a day. Teach a man to fish and you feed him for a lifetime.’”

The council will meet regularly to recommend league-wide best practices in selection criteria for fellowship candidates, standardization of program elements and tracking results for future improvements.

Members of the Bill Walsh NFL Minority Coaching Fellowship Advisory Council:

NAME	TEAM	TITLE	NAME	TEAM	TITLE
Earnest Byner	Tampa Bay	Running Backs Coach	Martin Mayhew	Detroit	General Manager
David Culley	Philadelphia	Wide Receivers Coach	Scott Pioli	Kansas City	General Manager
Leslie Frazier	Minnesota	Head Coach	Andy Reid	Philadelphia	Head Coach
Rod Graves	Arizona	General Manager	Gene Smith	Jacksonville	General Manager
Russ Grimm	Arizona	Offensive Line Coach	Rick Smith	Houston	General Manager
Mike Holmgren	Cleveland	President	Ken Whisenhunt	Arizona	Head Coach
Gary Kubiak	Houston	Head Coach			

Cincinnati Bengals head coach **MARVIN LEWIS**, who earned NFL Coach of the Year honors from the Associated Press in 2009, interned with the San Francisco 49ers (1988) and Kansas City Chiefs (1991) and endorses the program.

“For a young coach, an opportunity through the fellowship is like a college student getting a great internship,” said Lewis. “Suddenly you’re exposed on a daily basis to some of the best people in your field, and you have a chance to show them first-hand what you can do.”

Lewis is one of four current NFL head coaches – **LESLIE FRAZIER** (Minnesota), **LOVIE SMITH** (Chicago) and **MIKE TOMLIN** (Pittsburgh) are the others – who are graduates of the program.

“This program has been extremely beneficial over the years, paving the way for many coaches who have gone on to successful NFL careers,” said Cleveland Browns president **MIKE HOLMGREN**, who serves on the Advisory Council. “As a head coach with the Packers and Seahawks, I had many coaches work for us during camp who were able to get full-time positions because of that valuable experience. It was a tremendous learning environment for them and it continues to open doors for many young coaches.”

**2012 NFL COACHES WHO ARE GRADUATES OF THE  
BILL WALSH NFL MINORITY COACHING FELLOWSHIP**

<b>CLUB</b>	<b>COACH</b>	<b>POSITION</b>
<b>Atlanta</b>	Keith Armstrong	Special teams coordinator
<b>Buffalo</b>	Andrew Dees	Assistant offensive line
	William Inge	Assistant defensive line
	Curtis Modkins	Offensive coordinator/running backs
	Adrian White	Defensive quality control
<b>Chicago</b>	<b>Lovie Smith</b>	<b>Head coach</b>
<b>Cincinnati</b>	Jay Hayes	Defensive line
	<b>Marvin Lewis</b>	<b>Head coach</b>
<b>Denver</b>	Sam Garnes	Assistant secondary
	Eric Stutesville	Running backs
	Tyke Tolbert	Wide receivers
<b>Detroit</b>	Shawn Jefferson	Wide receivers
<b>Houston</b>	Karl Dorrell	Quarterbacks
	Perry Carter	Assistant defensive backs
	Cedric Smith	Strength and Conditioning
<b>Jacksonville</b>	Marlon McCree	Assistant Secondary
	Tony Oden	Secondary
<b>Kansas City</b>	Otis Smith	Defensive quality control
	Steven Smith	Assistant offensive line coach
<b>Minnesota</b>	<b>Leslie Frazier</b>	<b>Head Coach</b>
	Craig Johnson	Quarterbacks
	Jimmie Johnson	Tight ends
	James Saxon	Running backs
<b>New England</b>	Pepper Johnson	Defensive line
<b>New York Giants</b>	Lunda Wells	Offensive assistant
<b>New York Jets</b>	Dennis Thurman	Defensive backs
<b>Oakland</b>	Justin Griffith	Offensive quality control
	Johnnie Lynn	Defensive backs
	Kelly Skipper	Running backs
	Terrell Williams	Defensive line
<b>Philadelphia</b>	Juan Castillo	Defensive coordinator
	Duce Staley	Special teams quality control
<b>Pittsburgh</b>	James Daniel	Tight ends
	<b>Mike Tomlin</b>	<b>Head coach</b>
	Kirby Wilson	Running backs
<b>St. Louis</b>	Joe Bowden	Assistant linebackers
	Clyde Simmons	Assistant defensive line
<b>San Diego</b>	Cris Dishman	Asst. secondary
	Don Johnson	Defensive line
	Ollie Wilson	Running backs
<b>Tennessee</b>	Tracy Rocker	Defensive line
<b>Washington</b>	Raheem Morris	Defensive backs

**2012 BILL WALSH NFL MINORITY COACHING FELLOWSHIP PARTICIPANTS**

<b>CLUB</b>	<b>#</b>	<b>PARTICIPANTS (BACKGROUND &amp; PRESENT AFFILIATION)</b>
<b>Arizona Cardinals</b>	3	<b>Matt Grayson</b> (Robert Morris), <b>Ed King</b> (Glenwood H.S., Phoenix), <b>Nikolas McKissic</b> (Benedict)
<b>Atlanta Falcons</b>	2	<b>Carey Bailey</b> (Lamar), <b>Ramon Flanigan</b> (Mississippi Valley State)
<b>Baltimore Ravens</b>	1	<b>James Rooths</b> (Unaffiliated)

<b>Buffalo Bills</b>	4	<b>Eugene David</b> (Alcorn State), <b>Keith Higdon</b> (Tuskegee), <b>Rashaan Jordan</b> (The College at Brockport), <b>Gabe Northern</b> (Former Player, Prairie View A&M)
<b>Carolina Panthers</b>	3	<b>Kenny Ray Augustus</b> (Univ. of Indianapolis), <b>James Salgado</b> (Princeton), <b>Cedric Williams</b> (Newberry College)
<b>Chicago Bears</b>	2	<b>DeMontie Cross</b> (Kansas), <b>Adrian Peterson</b> (Former Player, Georgia Southern)
<b>Cincinnati Bengals</b>	3	<b>Arnold Ale</b> (Bishop Montgomery H.S.), <b>Dwayne Foster</b> (North Carolina Central), <b>Glenn Holt</b> (Former Player, Kentucky)
<b>Cleveland Browns</b>	3	<b>Cheston Blackshear</b> (New Mexico), <b>Eddie Brown</b> (Grand Valley State), <b>Steven Roberson</b> (Sacramento St.)
<b>Dallas Cowboys</b>	3	<b>David Bowen</b> (Former Player), <b>Kelly Goodman</b> (Arlington, TX H.S.), <b>Dewayne Stukes</b> (Former NFL Coach)
<b>Denver Broncos</b>	3	<b>Martin Bayless</b> (Sacramento Mountain Lions), <b>Cedric Jones</b> (Southern Nazarene), <b>Amish Patel</b> (Kentucky State)
<b>Detroit Lions</b>	4	<b>Charles Burks</b> (West Texas A&M), <b>Delbert Cowsette</b> (Former Player, Hampton), <b>Willie Green</b> (Former Player, Ouachita Baptist), <b>Kade Rannings</b> (Colgate)
<b>Green Bay Packers</b>	3	<b>Abe Elimimian</b> (Washington State), <b>Levon Kirkland</b> (Former Player), <b>Chris Naeole</b> (Former Player)
<b>Houston Texans</b>	4	<b>Tim Cross</b> (Texas), <b>Mickey Joseph</b> (Langston), <b>Darrell Patterson</b> (Rice), <b>Troy Walters</b> (Former Player)
<b>Indianapolis Colts</b>	4	<b>Antonio Carter</b> (Unaffiliated), <b>Autry Denson</b> (Former Player, Bethune-Cookman), <b>Samari Rolle</b> (Former Player), <b>Leroy Thompson</b> (Philadelphia Soul)
<b>Jacksonville Jaguars</b>	4	<b>Chenniss Berry Jr.</b> (Howard), <b>Will Martin</b> (New Mexico State), <b>Cory Moore</b> (Lakewood H.S.), <b>Tory Woodbury</b> (Delaware State)
<b>Kansas City Chiefs</b>	2	<b>Vyron Brown</b> (Grambling), <b>Derrick Gardner</b> (California)
<b>Miami Dolphins</b>	2	<b>Al Harris</b> (Former Player), <b>Cesar Rivas</b> (Fort Lewis College)
<b>Minnesota Vikings</b>	6	<b>Junior Adams</b> (Eastern Washington), <b>Granville Eastman</b> (Austin Peay), <b>Darrell Fullington</b> (St. Thomas Aquinas), <b>Alex Jackson</b> (Mississippi Valley State), <b>Prince Pearson</b> (Prairie View A&M), <b>Ted White</b> (Howard)
<b>New England Patriots</b>	2	<b>David Patten</b> (Former Player), <b>Billy Yates</b> (Former Player)
<b>New Orleans Saints</b>	1	<b>Joel Thomas</b> (Washington)
<b>New York Giants</b>	2	<b>David R. Hanna</b> (Cornell), <b>David B. Kenney</b> (Butler)
<b>New York Jets</b>	2	<b>Corey Ivy</b> (Former Player), <b>Anthony Weaver</b> (Former Player)
<b>Oakland Raiders</b>	1	<b>Osita Alaribe</b> (Tennessee State)
<b>Philadelphia Eagles</b>	6	<b>Correll Buckhalter</b> (Former Player), <b>William Fuller</b> (Former Player), <b>Don Holmes</b> (Former Player), <b>Greg Lewis</b> (Former Player), <b>Cory Peoples</b> (Clark Atlanta), <b>Montae Reagor</b> (Former Player)
<b>Pittsburgh Steelers</b>	4	<b>Satyen Bhakta</b> (Colorado School of Mines), <b>Oliver Gibson</b> (Former Player), <b>Devan Hill</b> (Hampton), <b>Ben Wilkerson</b> (Louisiana State)
<b>St. Louis Rams</b>	1	<b>Charles Jackson</b> (Unaffiliated)
<b>San Diego Chargers</b>	2	<b>Alfonso Boone</b> (Former Player), <b>Todd Lyght</b> (Former Player)
<b>San Francisco 49ers</b>	1	<b>Tavita Pritchard</b> (Stanford)
<b>Seattle Seahawks</b>	4	<b>Shalon Baker</b> (Montana), <b>Brad Davis</b> (Portland State), <b>Sammy Knight</b> (Former Player), <b>Donte Williams</b> (Washington)
<b>Tampa Bay Buccaneers</b>	2	<b>Tony Coaxum</b> (Army), <b>Alonzo Escalante</b> (McDaniel College)
<b>Tennessee Titans</b>	2	<b>Bubba McDowell</b> (Former Player, Prairie View A&M), <b>Terry Obee</b> (Western Kentucky)
<b>Washington Redskins</b>	5	<b>Harry Alderson</b> (Stanford), <b>Curome Cox</b> (Maryland), <b>Odell James</b> (Baylor), <b>Paul Macklin II</b> (Norfolk State), <b>Tyrone Pettaway</b> (Former Player)

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