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Paul Pressey

College - Tulsa



Paul Pressey was named an assistant coach for the Cleveland Cavaliers in July 2010. He brings 28 seasons of NBA experience as a coach and player on the professional level to Cleveland's staff.

Pressey joined the Cavaliers following three seasons as an assistant coach with the New Orleans Hornets. He joined the Hornets in 2007 as a member of Coach Scott's staff. Prior to joining New Orleans, he was an assistant coach with the Celtics as a member of Doc Rivers' staff from 2004-06 and served as advance scout during the 2006-07 season. Pressey also spent time with the Orlando Magic (2000-04), Golden State Warriors (1992-94) and the San Antonio Spurs (1994-2000) as an assistant coach, helping the Spurs win their first-ever NBA Championship in 1999. Prior to the 1992-93 season, Pressey was named an assistant coach for the Golden State Warriors, but after a rash of injuries he was forced back to the court and appeared in 18 games. He spent the entire 1993-94 season as an assistant coach with the Warriors.

Pressey, a native of Richmond, Virginia, was drafted by the Milwaukee Bucks in the 1982 NBA Draft. Over his 11-year career for Bucks and the San Antonio Spurs, he averaged 10.6 points, 5.6 assists and 3.9 rebounds per game. He was named to the NBA All-Defensive Team during the 1984-85 season.

Pressey is a graduate from the University of Tulsa in 1982 with a degree in physical education. He helped bring the 1981 NIT Championship to the Golden Hurricanes and led the team to a 50-13 record in his two seasons. He earned All-America honors as a senior during the 1981-82 season and was named the MVC Player of the Year. He began his collegiate career at Western Texas Junior College, where he led the team to a 37-0 record and the JUCO National Title.

Paul and his wife, Elizabeth, have four children, Ashley, Angela, Matthew and Phillip and one granddaughter, Tannah.

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