Six former Hawkeyes ink deals as rookie free agents

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In addition to the six former Iowa players that were selected last April in the 2011 NFL Draft, six more have been confirmed as signing with teams as undrafted free agents on Tuesday. Three of the six deals were announced last night following the end of the NFL lockout and became official Tuesday morning.

Former linebacker Jeff Tarpinian was the first name to leak out, as he struck a deal with the New England Patriots. Fellow linebacker Jeremiha Hunter will head to the New Orleans Saints, and late Monday evening, former punter Ryan Donahue confirmed to <code>HawkeyeDrive.com</code> via text that he had reached an agreement with the Detroit Lions.

The other three names to appear Tuesday were former tight end Allen Reisner, former free safety Brett Greenwood, and former long snapper Andrew Schulze. Reisner will join fourth-round draft pick Christian Ballard in Minnesota with the Vikings, while Greenwood is heading to Pittsburgh to play for the Steelers and Schulze to Atlanta to play for the Falcons.

Former wide receiver Derrell Johnson-Koulianos was rumored Monday evening to have reached an agreement with the Philadelphia Eagles, but he told <code>HawkeyeDrive.com</code> it was just speculation. Reports began to surface Tuesday that Johnson-Koulianos had signed with the Eagles, but again, Iowa's alltime leading wideout refuted the claim Tuesday morning via his <code>Twitter account</code>.

As of Tuesday evening, Johnson-Koulianos remains unsigned.

HAWKEYE ROOKIES:

- Adrian Clayborn, DE (Tampa Bay)
- Christian Ballard, DL (Minnesota)
- Ricky Stanzi, QB (Kansas City)
- Karl Klug, DT (Tennessee)
- Julian Vandervelde, OG (Philadelphia)
- Tyler Sash, SS (NY Giants)
- Jeff Tarpinian, LB (New England)
- Jeremiha Hunter, LB (New Orleans)
- Ryan Donahue, P (Detroit)
- Allen Reisner, TE (Minnesota)
- Brett Greenwood, FS (Pittsburgh)
- Andrew Schulze, LS (Atlanta)

Editor's Note: *HawkeyeDrive.com will update this post if/when Johnson-Koulianos is signed.*