Chicago Bears Release Former Ohio State Wide Receiver Ted Ginn



The Chicago Bears announced on Wednesday morning they have released former Ohio State wide receiver Ted Ginn.

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The 35-year-old Ginn caught just three passes for 40 yards in six games for the Bears this season. He also averaged 4.8 yards on five punt returns but was replaced on special teams last week by free-agent acquisition Dwayne Harris, who averaged 5.7 yards on three punt returns against the New Orleans Saints.

The No. 9 overall pick in the 2007 NFL Draft, Ginn has also played for the San Francisco 49ers (2010-12), Carolina Panthers (2013 and 2015-16), Arizona Cardinals (2014) and Saints (2017-19).

Ginn has caught 412 passes for 5,742 yards and 33 touchdowns in his 14-year career. He's also played in two Super Bowls (XLVII and 50), though he was on the losing end of both games.

A former five-star prospect from Cleveland Glenville, where he played for his father, Ted Sr., Ginn was named the USA Today Defensive Player of the Year, a Parade All-American and a U.S. Army All-American in 2003. He was recruited by the Buckeyes as a defensive back, but quickly transitioned to wide receiver and punt returner.

Ginn finished his college career with 133 receptions for 1,943 yards and 15 touchdowns and also set a school record with six punt returns for a score. He was one of 22 Tarblooders to play for Ohio State between 2002-14.

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