

# **2009 General Shale Brick Atlantic Sun Men's Basketball Championship**

**Jacksonville vs. Lipscomb, 3/6/09, Semifinals**

**Jacksonville**

**Head Coach Cliff Warren**

*Opening Statement*

“Really quick I’m very thankful. It was a tough crowd and Lipscomb is a great basketball team”

*On preparing for the Championship game...*

“Our team has talked about how hard it’s going to be to get back [to the championships]. Now that were back, we need to watch the tape and correct what we didn’t correct last time. But we are playing a different team.”

**Lehmon Colbert**

*Accuracy around the arc...*

“Basically the whole team shot well. I just got some open spaces and shot with confidence.”

*On finishing with a trip to the NCAA...*

“I would love to [finish with a trip to the NCAA tournament]. We just got to get it done. ETSU is a great team, great coach. We need to be firing on all cylinders.”

**Lipscomb**

**Head Coach Scott Sanderson**

*Opening Statement*

“Their energy. They missed a lot of shots, but they rebounded, got every rebound. Their second shots made a bunch of different threes and shots.”

*Got down by 30...*

“They kept shooting quick, the first half jabbed our perimeter shooters and our whole roster missed a bunch of lay ups. When you avoid contact with the basket, you can’t get fouls, you don’t get chances.”

**Adnan Hodzic**

*On the possibility of a chance...*

“We still had a chance, it was huge setback. We felt so ready for it and it’s just so unfortunate that this is what happened. After all the training, all the preparation, all the hard work and just coming out there the way we did is disappointing.”

## **Belmont**

### **Head Coach Rick Byrd**

“Well obviously a bunch of disappointed guys. The run that our team has made, our school has made - three straight championships, 10 tournament wins. Whenever it was going to come to an end it was going to be difficult. We just ran into a team tonight that had a great plan, executed them and made big shots. [Courtney] Pigram was unbelievable... Plenty of times to win the game, but we couldn't get stops.

It's a great era in Belmont basketball. If we tried to tell these guys (Alex Renfroe and Andy Wicke) when we recruited them that we'll go to the [NCAA] tournament every year and win three straight championships, they would say 'I like your optimism, but your crazy'. To get to the point where we were one possession away from beating the best team in college basketball history (Duke) is says remarkable things about these guys.”

### **Andy Wicke**

*On his last game...*

“I can't believe it's over. Our whole lives since we were four or five, every winter we've had a basketball season. It's hard to think about what I'm going to be doing next winter. I know that I will look back, its bitter right now, but I won't change a thing about my career and the people I was around and places where I went.”

### **Alex Renfroe**

*ETSU focusing on his play...*

“Coming off a ball screen they would make me give it up or close their gap so I couldn't get to lane. It was good playing.”

*On not having another basketball season...*

“Its something we've been looking forward to every year. The end is right now, I'm speechless. Just to wake up and realize that I don't have practice or a game to prepare for, I'm going to be a little lost.