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Brian Bosworth is the only one of six players eligible for the NFL's supplemental draft likely to be picked Friday.

Falcons have a 16-in-406 chance at Bosworth

By Rachel Blount Staff Writer

Should the Atlanta Falcons win Friday's NFL supplemental draft lottery, it's unlikely that Ed McMahon will come to their door and personally award them the services of All-America linebacker Brian Bosworth. In comparison, winning the Publishers Clearing House sweepstakes might be easy.

The Falcons, who have 16 of the 406 total chances to win the first pick in the lottery, might not get Bosworth even if they win. They are one of 23 teams he has said he will not play for. But since Bosworth is the only player of note in the six-player draft, it's likely that whoever wins the lottery will take a chance and choose the former Oklahoma star.

The lottery will take place at 1 p.m. Friday at NFL headquarters in New York City. It will not be televised, and teams will make their choices over the telephone.

"He's definitely the one we're most interested in," Falcons coach Marion Campbell said of Bosworth, who made himself available for the draft after graduating in May. "We've looked at some of the other players, but we're not sure if we'll take anyone else. On draft day, who knows?"

the fairest way to run the draft, puts cardboard tags taken but will instead be offered free-agent contracts. with each team's name written on them into a barrel. A league official draws a chance out of the barrel, and that team has 10 minutes to choose a player.

In the weighted lottery, the team with the worst record last year gets the most chances. Tampa Bay, which was 2-14 last season, will have 28 chances. The only team with more is Houston, which received 21 based on last year's record and acquired nine more in a trade with the Los Angeles Rams. The Rams will have no chances.

Indianapolis, with the second-worst record, gets 27 chances, Buffalo gets 26 and so on. The New York Giants, last year's Super Bowl champions, get one

The Falcons, who picked 13th in the regular draft, will get 16 chances in the lottery.

In addition to Bosworth, a local player will be participating in the supplemental draft. The consensus among general managers is that neither Titus Turner,

This is the second year the NFL has gone with a a three-year starter at defensive back for Morris weighted lottery to determine choices in the supple- Brown College and a graduate of Atlanta's Therrell mental draft. The system, which NFL officials say is High School, nor the four other eligible players will be

The 6-foot, 185-pound Turner, who had 35 solo tackles and three interceptions last year in his final season with Morris Brown, has worked out for Atlanta, Miami, Seattle and Dallas.

Also in the draft is Curtis Jeffries, who played at Northwest Mississippi Junior College in 1984. Jeffries, a 6-4, 230-pound wide receiver/tight end, had 30. catches and five receptions for touchdowns as a starter in his only season and runs the 40-yard dash in 4.4 seconds.

Jeff Valder of Arizona, a walk-on kicker who backed up Max Zendejas for three years before becoming the Wildcats' starter, is the draft's only specialist. Valder, 5-11 and 168 pounds, did all the kicking off last year and handled long-distance field goals, hitting three of four and making a pair of 52-yarders.

Boston College's Rorey Perryman, a reserve defensive back who had 33 total tackles last season, and Gary Morris, a defensive back with no college playing experience, round out the available players.

FBI questioned Walters employee concerning death of Don Rogers

By Chris Mortensen Staff Writer

Terry Bolar, an employee of New York agent Norby Walters, was questioned by the FBI concerning the death of football player Don Rogers after rumors surfaced that 'he attended Rogers' bachelor party the night he overdosed on cocaine.

An FBI source said Thursday that questions were asked of Bolar because the agency had heard rumors that he attended the party last June 27 in Sacramento, Calif. Rogers was a defensive back for the Cleveland Browns.

It is unclear whether Bolar worked for Walters at the time of Rogers' death. He currently recruits athletes for Walters' agency.

Walters has confirmed contributing to Rogers' funeral expenses.

The subject of a federal grand jury investigation in Chicago regarding allegedly improper payments to college athletes, Walters was sued last month by Rogers' younger brother, Reggie Rogers, for misrepresentation. Bolar was al-

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leged to have befriended the Rogers family. Bolar eventually introduced Walters to Reggie Rogers, who took money from the agent prior to his last game at the University of Washington.

A high-ranking Cleveland Browns official, asking not to be named, told the Atlanta Constitution that the team conducted a thorough investigation of Rogers' overdose in cooperation with police in Sacramento. The Browns official said Bolar might have stopped by the party but was not a "principal participant."

Meanwhile, the medic who attended to Rogers contradicts a published report Thursday that Bolar rode in the ambulance that carried Rogers to Mercy San Juan Hospital.

Thursday, New York Newsday printed a report linking Bolar to the party and saying he was in the ambulance.

But Mike Meighan, the emergency medical technician of the Sacramento Ambulance Service, said nobody was in the ambulance other than Rogers and the crew.

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"I was in the back with Rogers alone, and nobody rode in front other than the driver," Meighan told the Constitution.

Newsday reported that Bolar rented the limousine Rogers and friends used the night of the bachelor party. The newspaper also placed Bolar at the party.

Bolar, who is from Fairhope, Ala., and is a former player at Long Beach State, has testified before the grand jury in Chicago.

Bolar also was named by Alabama basketball coach Wimp Sanderson as the "middle man" who introduced Alabama basketball players Derrick McKey and Terry Coner to Lloyd Bloom, the top aide to Walters. McKey and Coner signed agent contracts in January and accepted cash from Bloom, in violation of NCAA rules.

McKey, a junior, has been declared ineligible by Alabama. McKey and Coner will meet on Monday with Assistant U.S. Attorney Howard M. Pearl of Chicago. Pearl is conducting the grand jury investigation.

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