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CHARLESTON, IL (July 22, 1986)--Former Eastern Illinois basketball standout Kevin Duckworth (Dolton/Thornridge) has signed a two-year contract with the San Antonio Spurs.

"Sir Duck" was picked in the second-round of the NBA Draft by the Spurs last month after finishing up his career with a banner senior campaign. The 7-0, 290-pound center averaged 19.5 points and 9.1 rebounds a game for the 19-13 Panthers last season. He shot better than 63% from the field and 76% from the charity stripe.

"I couldn't be happier for Kevin," explains Eastern head coach Rick Samuels. "He will have an excellent opportunity to prove himself with San Antonio and I know he will show that he is an a good athlete."

Duckworth is presently attending the Spurs rookie camp in San Antonio.