

Broncos tender exclusive rights free agent DL Shelby Harris

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The Broncos on Friday tendered exclusive rights free agent defensive lineman Shelby Harris. The one-year tender will earn Harris a \$705,000 salary next season.

Exclusive rights free agents have less than two accrued seasons, years when the player is on an NFL roster or injured reserve for at least six weeks, and is the property of the incumbent team. Unlike restricted free agents, they cannot negotiate with other teams once tendered.

The Broncos have six other players who are exclusive rights free agents this year and who are expected to be tendered next week: receiver Jordan Taylor, tackle Elijah Wilkinson, long snapper Casey Kreiter, and linebackers Zaire Anderson, Jerrol Garcia-Williams and Joe Jones.

Harris joined the Broncos in January 2017 on a reserve/future contract and provided immediate impact on the defensive line and on special teams. In Week 1 against the Chargers, Harris blocked a game-tying field goal to seal a Denver victory. He finished the season 34 total tackles (22 solo), 5.5 sacks, nine quarterback hits and three pass-breakups.