Former Mountaineer Jason Hunter Stabbed

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Jason Hunter, a member of Appalachian State University's first national championship team in 2005, was stabbed by his girlfriend in the left shoulder on Wednesday morning, according to the Associated Press.

Hunter, a five-year pro in the National Football League, was taken to Detroit Receiving Hospital by someone he knows, according to Detroit Police Officer Dan Donakowski, who did not have any additional information. Hunter would not say where the stabbing took place. His 23-year-old girlfriend, who was not identified, was arrested by police.

She was taken into custody and was facing charges, including felonious assault. But she was not arraigned on those charges because Hunter does not want to pursue the matter. At the moment, it's unclear how this stabbing injury may affect Hunter's playing career.

Hunter, 27, is currently under contract with the Denver Broncos. He has also played for the Green Bay Packers and the Detroit Lions. Hunter, who was released by the Lions and picked up by the Broncos last season, turned in his most productive season as a pro in 2010.

He had 60 tackles, three quarterback sacks and two fumble recoveries. The Broncos, who fired coach Josh McDaniels on December 6, were 4-12 last fall, their worst season since 1967. Former Carolina Panthers coach John Fox replaced McDaniels on February 4. The Broncos open the season against Oakland on Monday night, September 12.

Hunter's stabbing comes only days after police in Florida said Miami Dolphins wide receiver Brandon Marshall, a former Bronco, was stabbed with a kitchen knife by his wife.