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Jay Bilas is ESPN's top college basketball analyst and is widely recognized for his thorough knowledge of the game and his professional, clever style. Jay provides expert color commentary from courtside on college basketball games as well as the studio as co-host of ESPN's popular College Gameday, where he skillfully breaks down games and players. Since 2003, Jay has provided in-depth player scouting and analysis for ESPN's coverage of the NBA Draft.

A four-time Emmy Nominee, Jay has three times been named the best analyst in college basketball by Sports Illustrated, as well as by the ACC Sports Journal, and Barrett Sports Media, among others. In 2016, Jay was the recipient of the prestigious Curt Gowdy Award from the Naismith Memorial Basketball Hall of Fame. The New York Times Bestselling author of *Toughness: Developing True Strength on and Off the Court*, Jay also writes for ESPN.com, and was awarded the Best Column of the Year in 2007 by The United States Basketball Writers Association.

A prep All-American from Los Angeles, California, the 6-7 Jay was a four-year starter at Duke under Mike Krzyzewski from 1982-1986. As an undersized center, Jay scored 1,062 points, grabbed 692 rebounds, and helped lead Duke to the the No. 1 ranking, the 1986 ACC Championship and the 1986 NCAA Championship Game. Jay's 1986 Duke team set the NCAA record for the most wins in a single season with 37.

While a player at Duke, Jay was appointed to the NCAA's Long-Range Planning Committee, and served from 1984 through 1986. He appeared on CBS's *Face the Nation* in 1985 to discuss academics and athletics and was a panelist, along with Howard Cosell, John Underwood, and Dr. Harry Edwards, on the prestigious 1986 National Sports Forum.

Drafted by the NBA's Dallas Mavericks, Jay played professional basketball overseas, ranking among the leagues' top scorers in Italy during the 1987

Education

B.A., Duke University, 1986

J.D., Duke University, 1992

Admissions

North Carolina, 1992

Fourth Circuit Court of Appeals

U.S. District Court

Western, Middle and Eastern Districts of North Carolina

Other Areas of Law

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and 1988 seasons, and then in Spain for part of the 1989 season before returning to Duke in 1990 to serve as an assistant coach on Krzyzewski's staff, while also earning his law degree from Duke Law School. While Jay was an assistant coach under Krzyzewski, the Blue Devils advanced to the NCAA Championship Game three times, winning back to back National Championships in 1991 and 1992.

A member of the Screen Actors Guild since 1988, Jay has appeared in numerous, nationally run television commercials and had a feature role as an alien cop in the Columbia Pictures film *I Come In Peace*. While still in high school, Jay appeared in an episode of the popular television series *The White Shadow*.

Jay is a skillful and popular speaker and moderator, whose knowledge extends across both the sports and legal worlds. Jay has spoken and lectured at such places as Harvard Law School, Harvard Business School, SMU's Maguire Center for Ethics, the University of North Carolina's Summit on Ethics, Duke Law School, the Fuqua School of Business-Coach K Conference on Leadership, Marquette, Wake Forest, Notre Dame, Xavier, Tennessee, Syracuse, Indiana, and Ohio State. Jay has also served as the emcee of several Coaches vs. Cancer Benefits, including those at Connecticut, Wisconsin, Syracuse, Wake Forest, and Gonzaga, and for the National Association of Collegiate Athletic Directors. In addition, Jay has deftly served as the clever host of three Celebrity Roasts, where he cut up the likes of Mike Krzyzewski, Rick Pitino, Jim Boeheim, Jim Calhoun, P.J. Carlesimo, Bill Raftery, Bobby Cremins, Gary Williams, Jeff Foxworthy, and Charles Barkley.

Jay is also a Twitter sensation, having been named by Sports Illustrated to its "Twitter 100" for being among the 100 Most Essential Twitter Follows in Sports and by Dime Magazine as the #2 "Baller" on Twitter behind only Shaquille O'Neal. Sports Illustrated honored Jay in 2011 with the Sports Tweet of the Year. Jay has been named one of The Ten Most Powerful Voices in Sports Media by The Hollywood Reporter, one of The 25 Most Powerful People in College Sports by Forbes, one of The 100 Most Powerful People in Sports by Hudl, one of the 25 Most Powerful People in Sports Media by The Big Lead, and one of the Most Powerful People in Global Basketball by GeorgeRaveling.com.

Since 1992, Jay has been an attorney with the law firm of Moore & Van Allen, PLLC, where he has focused on commercial litigation. Jay serves on the Board of Advisors of the John R. Wooden Award, the Board of Advisors of the Chip Hilton Award, the National Board of the Coaches vs. Cancer Organization, and the Board of Advisors of the Duke Brain Tumor Center. A native of San Pedro, California, Jay now resides in Charlotte, North Carolina, with his professional artist wife, Wendy.

Notable

- Basketball Analyst for ESPN and CBS Sports, appearing regularly on ESPN game and studio broadcasts, ESPN SportsCenter, College Gamenight, College GameDay, ESPN Radio, ESPN.com and ESPN Magazine as a game analyst for CBS Sports coverage of the NCAA Tournament. Bilas also serves as a talent evaluator and analyst on ESPN's coverage of the NBA Draft
- Four-year starter at Duke (1983-1986) under Mike Krzyzewski and helped lead Duke to the NCAA Final Four and National Championship Game in 1986 with a record of 37-3, Bilas scored 1,062 points and grabbed 692 rebounds while shooting 55% from the field in his college career

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- Represented USA Basketball on the U.S. Men's National Select Team, 1985
- Member, NCAA Long Range Planning Committee, 1984-1986
- Duke University Senior Leadership Award, 1986
- Former professional basketball player, drafted by the Dallas Mavericks in 1986 and played three seasons in Italy and Spain
- Member, Screen Actors Guild, and appeared in national television commercials and a full-length motion picture
- Former assistant basketball coach under Mike Krzyzewski at Duke, 1990-1992, during which time Duke advanced to three NCAA Championship games, and won two National Championships, 1991 and 1992
- Popular speaker, emcee and moderator (IMG Speakers)
- Duke Law School Distinguished Young Alumni Award, 2007
- Basketball Instructor at Nike Skills Academy
- Coach, Operation Hardwood I and II with United States troops in the Middle East, 2005-2006
- Duke Brain Cancer Center, Advisory Board
- Pin Stripes/ALS Center, Advisory Board
- In *Lyons Partnership v. Morris Costumes, Inc.*, et al. (Federal Court), successfully defended costume business against trademark- copyright action brought by owners of children's television character, Barney.

Affiliations

- American Bar Association
- North Carolina Bar Association
- Mecklenburg County Bar
- American Sports Lawyers Association