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**Seniors Ka'Deem Carey, Bishop Sankey, Andre Williams
Named Finalists for the 2013 Doak Walker Award**

DALLAS, TEXAS – The PwC SMU Athletic Forum today announced **Ka'Deem Carey** of Arizona, **Bishop Sankey** of Washington, and **Andre Williams** of Boston College as the three finalists for the 2013 Doak Walker Award. The finalists were determined by a vote of the Doak Walker Award National Selection Committee.

The Committee will cast a second ballot to determine the recipient of the 2013 Doak Walker Award. The recipient will be revealed on ESPN during The Home Depot College Football Awards airing live from the Atlantic Dance Hall at Disney's BoardWalk at the Walt Disney World Resort on Thursday, December 12, at 7 p.m. (ET). The award will be presented at the 2013 Doak Walker Award Presentation Banquet in Dallas on Thursday, February 13, 2014.

Carey, a junior from Tucson, Arizona, has amassed 1,559 yards and is averaging 5.4 yards per carry in 2013. He ranks second nationally in rushing yards per game and is fourth nationally in total rushing yards. Carey is the Arizona career leader in rushing yards and rushing touchdowns and has rushed for over 100 yards in every game he played this season.

Sankey, a junior from Spokane, Washington, has rushed for 1,575 yards and 17 touchdowns this season. He ranks third nationally in total rushing yards and fourth in rushing yards per game. With one game against rival Washington State remaining, Sankey is tied for the Washington career rushing touchdown record and is only 120 yards shy of the school's career rushing mark.

Williams, a senior from Schnecksville, Pennsylvania, has rushed for 2,073 yards this season and leads the nation in total rushing yards and rushing yards per game. He has rushed for over 200 yards five times in 2013 and is the only FBS running back with over 2,000 yards rushing this season. Williams has already established the Boston College and ACC single season rushing records and with one game remaining is 12th on the all-time NCAA single season rushing list.

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The three Doak Walker Award finalists will be highlighted on ESPNU during The Home Depot College Football Awards Nomination Special airing Tuesday, November 26, at 5:30 p.m. (ET). The 30-minute program will be hosted by Anish Shroff and include analysis from Charles Arbuckle.

In addition to outstanding performance on the field, candidates for the Doak Walker Award must have demonstrated records of leadership and exhibited the characteristics of sportsmanship and fair play associated with Doak Walker.

The award is named after three-time SMU All-America running back and 1948 Heisman Trophy winner Doak Walker. The versatile Walker, who also punted, returned kicks and kicked extra points, led the Mustangs to two Southwest Conference Championships and brought the school into the national spotlight. Walker was drafted by the Detroit Lions and as a rookie led the league in scoring. During his six years with the Lions, he led the team to two NFL championships and was chosen All-Pro four times. Walker is a member of both the College and Pro Football Halls of Fame.

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Honoring the legends of sports for 24 years, the PwC SMU Athletic Forum celebrates outstanding success in athletics. Based in Dallas, the series features major figures from a variety of sports. The PwC SMU Athletic Forum includes four luncheons and the prestigious Doak Walker Award Presentation Banquet.

The Doak Walker Award is a member of the National College Football Awards Association (NCFAA) which encompasses the most prestigious awards in college football. The 21 awards boast 678 years of tradition-selection excellence. Visit www.NCFAA.org to learn more about our story.

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