Coaches Quotes Florida State 78, Wake Forest 68 Lawrence Joel Veterans Memorial Coliseum Winston-Salem, N.C.

## Florida State Head Coach Leonard Hamilton

## **Opening Statement**

"You have to give Danny a lot of credit I really thought he had his players prepared. We are a different kind of team than what we have been in the past where we had long, athletic guys in the paint to deter people from driving to the basketball. I think realizing that we got a 7 footer out and a couple big guys in the NBA. I thought they had the right game plan on driving us and getting the free throw line and creating an opportunity for them to get us in foul trouble. That was a very smart move on their part."

## On teams experience...

"We are extremely inexperienced; I have six new players. Only two experienced players are MJ (Walker) and Trent (Forrest). If we can continue to keep growing, hopefully we can continue to keep finding way to win games while were still developing."

## On handling high ranking...

"We felt all along that we will be ranked at the beginning of the season. We didn't get overly upset because no one respected us and we were not ranked. I think the worst thing we can do now is change our approach that we are because it's not important where you're ranked January 8th. The most important thing is where you are at the end of the season."