



2017 SEC Men's Basketball Tournament

Nashville, Tenn. – Bridgestone Arena



First Round – Game #1 Notes

Mississippi State 79, LSU 52

Mississippi State advances to face Alabama Thursday at approximately 2:30 p.m. CT

Series Notes:

- All-Time Series: MSU leads 110-100
- SEC Tournament: MSU leads 4-2
- Season Series: MSU leads 3-0
- It was the second meeting in the last five days, as the Bulldogs prevailed 88-76 in the teams' regular-season finale Saturday in Starkville.

Game Notes:

- With LSU leading 25-24 with 4:44 left in the first half, Mississippi State finished the half on a 13-0 run to take a 37-25 halftime lead. The Bulldogs never trailed again and led by as much as 29 in the game.
- Mississippi State outshot LSU from the 3-point arc, 36.7 percent (11-of-30) to 4.5 percent (1-of-22). The Tiger's 3-point clip was the lowest in SEC Tournament history, and the one 3-pointer made was a season low.
- The MSU bench outscored LSU's reserves 51-12.
- Points off turnovers were 32-8 in favor the Bulldogs.

Mississippi State Notes:

- Mississippi State improves to 16-15 and has ensured a .500 or better record for the first time since the 2011-12 season.
- The Bulldogs notch their 30th all-time win in the SEC Tournament (30-53) and snap a three-game losing streak in tourney action.
- MSU's 27-point margin of victory was its largest in SEC Tournament play since a 31-point win (87-56) over Georgia on March 11, 1993.
- Quindary Weatherspoon led four Bulldogs in double-digit points with a game-high 19.
- Tyson Carter notched the second-highest point total of his freshman campaign with 18, including 4-of-10 from 3-point territory.
- Xavian Stapleton scored in double figures for the seventh time this season and the sixth time in the last 10 games with 13. He has totaled 27 points in the last two games, both against LSU.
- Lamar Peters' six assists are one shy of his season/career high.

LSU Notes:

- LSU falls to 10-21 and lost its final two games.
- Skylar Mays led the Tigers in scoring for the second time this season with 13 points. It marked his third game with double-figure points in his last four outings.
- Antonio Blakeney was held below his scoring average (17.1 ppg) for the third straight game with 11.