

Santa Barbara COURT OF CHAMPIONS

Class of 2020



Richard Anderson

Richard Anderson was born in San Pedro, California; attended and played basketball for Rancho Alamito's High School in Garden Grove, California. From 1978-1982, Richard developed his inside, outside game on the court playing for the UC Santa Barbara Gauchos. He played in 100 games during the 4 campaigns, averaging 12.4 points per game and 7.7 rebounds per game. He was rewarded for his collegiate play, being drafted the 32nd pick overall, in the 2nd round by the Houston Rockets, in the 1982 NBA Draft. He was then traded to the San Diego Clippers for Kobe Bryant's father, Joe "JellyBean" Bryant. He played for the following teams:

1982-83 San Diego Clippers
1983-84 Denver Nuggets
1984-86 Pallacanestro Cantù - Italy
1986-87 Houston Rockets
1987-88 Portland Trailblazers
1989-90 Charlotte Hornets
1991-93 Sioux Falls Skyforce – CBA

The 6'10, 240 pounds forward scored 2,260 points in the NBA and tallied a single game high of 23 points with both the Denver Nuggets and Houston Rockets. Since retirement, Richard Anderson has been living on the East Coast.