



Grizzlies hire Price as shooting coach

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The Memphis Grizzlies today added four-time NBA All-Star and 12-year NBA veteran Mark Price as a shooting coach.

Price was widely regarded as one of the league's most consistent shooters after playing 12 NBA seasons with the Cleveland Cavaliers, Washington Bullets, Golden State Warriors and Orlando Magic from 1986-98.

"We're eager to connect Mark Price's storied NBA experience and shooting instruction with our basketball team," said Grizzlies Head Coach Marc Ivaroni. "Adding value to our players' field goal and free throw percentages will greatly enhance our fan appeal and scoring arsenal this coming season."

After retiring in 1998, Price still holds the NBA career record for highest free-throw percentage (.904, minimum 1,200 made) in the regular season and the postseason (.944, minimum 100 made). The Cavaliers' all-time leader in assists (4,206) was also the NBA's Long Distance Shootout winner in 1993 and 1994 and ranks 19th all-time with a .402 three-point field goal percentage in the regular season.

"I'm very excited to be working for the Grizzlies," said Price. "They have a whole new staff from the general manager to coaching staff. There's a lot of talent to work with and I'm excited to be a part of that. I think my experience playing at a high level will give me a chance to help a lot of our young players, particularly players like Mike Conley and Kyle Lowry. Hopefully, I can in part on some of knowledge on how to run a team like I did as a player."

Most recently, the former Georgia Tech point guard served as the inaugural head coach of the South Dragons in Australia's National Basketball League in 2006.