

KEONE KELA

RIGHT-HANDED PITCHER • #35

AGE: 25

BORN: 4/16/93 in Los Angeles, CA

RESIDES: Dallas, TX

HEIGHT/WEIGHT: 6-1/230

BATS/THROWS: R/R

M.L. SERVICE: 3 years (prior to 2018)

OBTAINED: From Texas, 7/31/18, in deal for pitcher Taylor Hearn and a player to be named



THIS SEASON:

Converted 24 of his 25 save opportunities with Texas... Ranked second in the Majors in save percentage (95.8) behind New York's Aroldis Chapman (27-for-28, 96.4 percent) heading into the action on 7/30... Ranked fifth in the American League in saves prior to being acquired by the Pirates... Was charged with a blown save on 7/24 vs. Oakland; ended a span of 23 straight saves converted to open 2018, the longest season-opening streak in Texas history... His blown save on

7/24 also ended an overall 25-game saves streak, tied for the second-longest in Texas history behind Joe Nathan (31 from 4/15 to 9/12/12) and John Wetteland (25 from 7/25/97 to 5/20/98)... Recorded a 2.10 ERA (25.2ip/6er) in his last 26 games with the Rangers... Limited right-handed hitters to a .125 batting average (10-for-80) with Texas... Was acquired by Pittsburgh on 7/31 in exchange for minor league pitcher Taylor Hearn and a player to be named.

CAREER HIGHLIGHTS:

2017: Finished first among all American League relievers in batting average against (.135) and seventh in opponents OPS (.479)... Had two separate stints on the disabled list (6-30 to 7/19 and 8/5 to 9/11) with right shoulder soreness... Began season with Triple-A Round Rock before being recalled on 4/17... Did not surrender a run in six appearances (6.1ip) in April... Did not allow a hit in his first 16 at bats to opposing hitters to start the season... Surrendered a season-high four runs on a Marwin Gonzalez grand slam on 5/2 at Houston and posted a 5.28 ERA (15.1ip/9er) from 5/2 to 6/9... Recorded a 12.2 scoreless innings streak over 13 games from 6/10 to 8/3; opponents batted .095 (4-for-42) with one extra base hit in that span... Posted a 1.75 ERA (25.2ip/5er) in his final 26 outings beginning with the action on 5/19... Converted two of his three save chances (5/21 at Detroit and 9/21 at Seattle)... Matched a career high with four strikeouts (all consecutive) while earning the win in comeback victory on 6/10 at Washington... Limited right-handed hitters to a .113 average (9-for-30); the lowest mark in MLB among relievers with 80-plus at bats against... Limited opposing hitters to a .063 average (5-for-79) with two strikes, which would have ranked as second-best in MLB had he qualified... Recorded a 0.905 WHIP; the lowest by a Texas reliever with 35.0-plus innings since Joe Nathan's 0.897 mark in 2013.

2016: Missed nearly three months of the season following elbow surgery in April... Ranked 11th among A.L. relievers (minimum 30.0ip) and led all Texas relievers with 11.91 strikeouts per 9.0 innings pitched... Went 1-0 with a 7.11 ERA (6.1ip/5er) in seven appearances prior to being placed on the disabled list... Was on the disabled list from 4/20 to 7/14... Had surgery to remove a bone spur on his right elbow performed by Rangers team physician Dr. Keith Meister on 4/22... Was transferred to the 60-day disabled list on 4/25... Rejoined the Rangers following the All-Star break and struck out three of the four batters he faced in a scoreless inning on 7/16 at Chicago (NL)... Allowed

runs in just one of his first 10 games after his stint on the D.L... Did not allow a run in 11 of his final 13 games.

2016 POSTSEASON: Tossed 1.2 scoreless innings in Game Three of the Division Series vs. Toronto.

2015: Was a member of Texas' Opening Day roster after making the team as a non-roster invitee... Had two separate stints with the Rangers (Opening Day to 7/31 and 8/11 thru the end of the season)... Tied for second among American League relief leaders in wins and averaged 10.14 strikeouts per 9.0 innings... His 68 appearances were the fourth-most by a rookie in Rangers history behind Mitch Williams (80 in 1986), Kenny Rogers (73 in 1989) and Neftali Feliz (70 in 2010)... Finished tied for third among American League rookies in games and tied for fifth in wins; also finished third among American League rookie relievers in strikeouts... Made big League debut on 4/7 at Oakland and tossed a scoreless seventh inning... Earned first career win on 5/2 vs. Oakland with a scoreless 10th inning... Recorded first Major League save with 1.0 scoreless inning of work on 6/17 at Los Angeles (NL)... Did not allow a run in 19 games (16.2ip) during his second stint with Texas between 8/11 and 10/3.

2015 POSTSEASON: Made three appearances during the Division Series against the Blue Jays (3.0ip/1er) and earned the win in Game Two at Toronto.

2014: Split season between Myrtle Beach and Frisco and posted a 2.02 ERA (49.0ip/11er) in a total of 44 games... Tied for second among Texas farmhands in saves (10).

2013: Averaged 12.0 strikeouts per 9.0 innings between Hickory, Arizona League Rangers and Spokane.

2012: Spent first professional season with the Arizona League Rangers after being selected by Texas in the 12th round of the First-Year Player Draft.

PERSONAL:

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the MLB Development Centers... Went 2-2 with a 2.07 ERA and two saves in 13 appearances (four starts) for Everett (WA) Community College in 2012... Was a fire science major at Everett.

LIFETIME PITCHING STATISTICS

| YEAR | CLUB | W-L | ERA | G | GS | CG | SHO | SV | IP | H | R | ER | HR | HP | BB | SO | WP | BK |
|----------------------------|------------------|--------------|-------------|------------|----------|----------|----------|-----------|--------------|------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|----------|-----------|------------|-----------|----------|
| 2012 | AZL Rangers | 0-1 | 1.59 | 9 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 11.1 | 4 | 4 | 2 | 0 | 1 | 4 | 15 | 0 | 0 |
| 2013 | Hickory | 2-2 | 2.41 | 12 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 18.2 | 18 | 6 | 5 | 0 | 2 | 6 | 20 | 3 | 0 |
| | AZL Rangers | 2-0 | 7.36 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 3.2 | 8 | 3 | 3 | 0 | 1 | 3 | 6 | 1 | 1 |
| | Spokane | 1-2 | 3.78 | 12 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 16.2 | 17 | 8 | 7 | 1 | 3 | 6 | 26 | 3 | 3 |
| 2014 | Myrtle Beach | 0-1 | 2.61 | 8 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 5 | 10.1 | 9 | 3 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 4 | 13 | 3 | 0 |
| | Frisco | 2-1 | 1.86 | 36 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 5 | 38.2 | 22 | 14 | 8 | 1 | 2 | 27 | 55 | 4 | 0 |
| 2015 | Texas | 7-5 | 2.39 | 68 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 60.1 | 52 | 18 | 16 | 4 | 0 | 18 | 68 | 6 | 1 |
| | Frisco | 1-0 | 0.00 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2.0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0 |
| 2016 | Texas | 5-1 | 6.09 | 35 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 34.0 | 30 | 23 | 23 | 6 | 3 | 17 | 45 | 2 | 1 |
| | Round Rock (#) | 0-0 | 0.00 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1.0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 0 | 0 |
| | Frisco (#) | 0-0 | 0.00 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 3.0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 4 | 2 | 0 |
| 2017 | Round Rock | 0-0 | 2.25 | 4 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 4.0 | 5 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 8 | 0 | 0 |
| | Texas | 4-1 | 2.79 | 39 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 38.2 | 18 | 12 | 12 | 4 | 1 | 17 | 51 | 1 | 1 |
| 2018 | Texas (1) | 3-3 | 3.44 | 38 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 24 | 36.2 | 28 | 14 | 14 | 3 | 0 | 14 | 44 | 4 | 2 |
| Minor League Totals | | 8-7 | 2.39 | 90 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 14 | 109.1 | 86 | 39 | 29 | 2 | 10 | 51 | 152 | 16 | 4 |
| Major League Totals | | 19-10 | 3.45 | 180 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 27 | 169.2 | 128 | 67 | 65 | 17 | 4 | 66 | 208 | 13 | 5 |

(#) Injury Rehab Assignment

Selected by Seattle in 2011 First-Year Player Draft (29st round), but did not sign.

Selected by Texas in 2012 First-Year Player Draft (12th round).

(1) Acquired by Pittsburgh, 7/31/18, in deal for pitcher Taylor Hearn and a player to be named.

DIVISION SERIES STATISTICS

| YEAR | CLUB/OPP | W-L | ERA | G | GS | CG | SHO | SV | IP | H | R | ER | HR | HP | BB | SO | WP | BK |
|-------------------------------|---------------|------------|-------------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|------------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|
| 2015 | Tex. vs. Tor. | 1-0 | 3.00 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 3.0 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 2 | 2 | 0 | 0 |
| 2016 | Tex. vs. Tor. | 0-0 | 0.00 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1.2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| Division Series Totals | | 1-0 | 1.93 | 4 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 4.2 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 2 | 3 | 0 | 0 |

MAJOR LEAGUE DEBUT

April 7, 2015 at *Oakland*

1ST MAJOR LEAGUE SAVE

June 17, 2015 at *Los Angeles (NL)*

1ST MAJOR LEAGUE WIN

May 2, 2015 vs. *Oakland*

LIFETIME FIELDING STATISTICS

| PITCHER | PCT | G | GS | PO | A | E | TC | DP | TP |
|---------|-------|-----|----|----|----|---|----|----|----|
| 2015 | 1.000 | 68 | 0 | 2 | 6 | 0 | 8 | 0 | 0 |
| 2016 | 1.000 | 35 | 0 | 2 | 3 | 0 | 5 | 0 | 0 |
| 2017 | 1.000 | 39 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| 2018 | 1.000 | 38 | 0 | 1 | 4 | 0 | 5 | 0 | 0 |
| CAREER | 1.000 | 180 | 0 | 5 | 14 | 0 | 19 | 0 | 0 |

HITTING TOTALS

| YEAR | AVG | AB | R | H | 2B | 3B | HR | RBI | BB | SAC |
|--------|----------------------------------|----|---|---|----|----|----|-----|----|-----|
| CAREER | Has Never Had a Plate Appearance | | | | | | | | | |

KELA HIGHLIGHTS (PRIOR TO JOINING PIRATES)

MOST STRIKEOUTS: 4 K's (twice), 6/10/17 at Washington & 5/19/17 at Detroit.

MOST INNINGS PITCHED: 2.0 IP (8 times), last on 5/9/18 vs. Detroit.

MOST WALKS: 3 BB, 5/4/17 at Houston

LONGEST SCORELESS INNINGS STREAK: 16.2 IP (8/11 to 10/3/15).

LONGEST WINNING STREAK: 4 games, 3 times (5/12 to 6/27/17, 8/6 to 9/12/16 & 5/2 to 5/26/15).

LONGEST LOSING STREAK: 4 games (6/7 to 6/25/15).