

### Third-Round Transcripts | Utah Championship presented by Zions Bank | Friday, August 5, 2022

#### **PIERCESON COODY (-15, XX)**

City Plays From: Plano, Texas | Turned Pro: 2022 | College: Texas

Exempt Status: Nos. 1-5 in 2021-22 PGA TOUR University Velocity Global Ranking (thru 2022)

#### *On his round...*

"It was fun, playing with Harrison [Endycott] and chasing him down makes the round easier. We were playing together when I birdied seven in a row in Colorado and things flipped around he beating me. I was just trying to chase him down and it felt pretty easy. The front nine played easy and then a little wind on the back nine but finished it off."

#### *On playing with Harrison Endycott and Sam Stevens...*

"It's fun. You just see a lot of putts go in and a lot of iron shots go right at the hole, so it's like a 'why not me?' scenario. If he can do it, I can do it. It's easy to feed off of someone when they're playing that well."

#### *On his mentality being No. 32 in the Points...*

"My goal starting the year was to get inside the top 75 on the [Korn Ferry Tour Points] list, this is all bonus golf for me. If things go my way, then they go my way. If not, I'll go to the next event with the same mindset to win. I'm going to go play to win and see what happens."

#### *On if he knew his game would transfer from college...*

"I certainly hoped so, to say the least. I couldn't have told you yes or no on what would happen before the summer started. I've missed some cuts and had some good events, so I feel like I've tasted both ends of professional golf early. Hopefully I can keep getting more experience."

#### *On drawing back on his win...*

"I think it's everything, just as far as starting the day off with some confidence. Hopefully the same thing with seeing birdies go in early and just keep the momentum going."

#### *On his plans to prepare for Sunday...*

"Not much, I'm going to go sit in my hotel room. I have a crick in neck that is killing me, so I'm going to see the trainer then just go lay in my bed for a while and just relax."

#### *On his favorite shot of the day...*

"On No. 11 it started to get windy and it's a back pin. I hit a 7-iron to about six feet, best shot of the day and right at it."

#### *On what part of his game got him to this position...*

"The driver has been decent, I've hit some really good drives and haven't put myself in that many bad positions. I would love to see some more mid-range putts go in and a few closer wedges but just going to keep the ball in front of me off the tee."

#### *On why a win is more important than a TOUR card...*

"I think it's easier to play with that mentality. If you're playing just to get your PGA TOUR card you're going to be looking up points, you're going to be looking at the standings every night and doing all the



projections. If I was in a good spot that I didn't have to worry about that, that would be ideal, but I know winning takes care of everything and that's an easier mindset to play with."

*On what a win on Korn Ferry Tour means...*

"You're playing against 30-40 guys that will be PGA TOUR players next year, it means a lot. These guys, Will Zalatoris, Davis Riley, some guys that I play with that are out on TOUR now. They're top 50 players in the world right now and they started out here and they both won out here and had successful careers out on the Korn Ferry [Tour]. I think as a young player winning out here, it just solidifies that I can do it on the PGA TOUR."