

Richard Diana, MD

CONNECTICUT ORTHOPAEDIC SPECIALISTS

Education/Training

Yale University, 1978–1982

Major, Molecular Biophysics and

Biochemistry, Cum Laude

Yale School of Medicine, 1983–1987

Yale New Haven Hospital internship, 1987–88

Yale New Haven Hospital,

Orthopedic residency, 1988–1992

Sports Medicine Fellowship,

University of Massachusetts Medical Center

Mentored by Dr. Arthur Pappas, 1992–1993

Attending Surgeon

Hospital of St Raphael

Yale New Haven Hospital

Board Certified ABOS 1995

Fellow, American Academy of

Orthopaedic Surgeons, 1993–present

Team Physician

Boston Red Sox, 1992—1997

Yale University, 2000—present

Quinnipiac University, 1997—2003

Southern CT State University, 2003—2004

Hamden High School, 1993—present

Cheshire High School, 1993—present

North Haven High School, 1999—present

Staples High School, 2000—present

Wilbur Cross High School, 2003—2008

North Branford High School, 1993—1999

Shelton High School, 1993—2003

Football Career

Professional Football

Miami Dolphins 1982–1983

5th round draft pick

Running back

Played in Super Bowl XVII

Retired to enter Medical School

College Football

Yale Tailback 1978-1981

Upon graduation, holder of 5 all time rushing records

Ivy League Champions 1979, 1980, 1981

Consensus All America 1st Team, 1981

Heisman Trophy 10th place, 1981

SI Director's Academic All America 1st team, 1981

GTE Academic All America 1st team, 1981

National Football Foundation and College Football

Hall of Fame National Scholar Athlete, 1981

(one of twelve players selected nationally)

Player of the Year, 1981: ECAC, Ivy League,

Harry Agganis Memorial Award

Gridiron Club of Boston (Lowe Award)

Walter Camp Football Foundation Award of Merit

Nominated College Football Hall of Fame 2005

Baseball Career

College Baseball

Yale Centerfielder, 1979–1981

EIBL Champions, 1980, 1981

All America Honorable Mention, 1981

All EIBL 1980, 1981

All Ivy 1980, 1981

At graduation, holder of several records, including most homeruns and RBIs in a season

College World Series Regional Playoffs, 1981

“College baseball’s greatest game ever”

Yale vs St. Johns, 1981

In 1978, Dr. Diana chose to attend Yale instead of signing a professional baseball contract with the Baltimore Orioles.

Community Service and Awards

1994 National Football Foundation and College Football Hall of Fame New Haven Chapter Distinguished American

1996 Chamber of Commerce Chamber Choice Award

1998 Rotary Foundation of Rotary International Paul Harris Award

2000 Uritas Distinguished Service Award

2001 Ct Sports Writers Gold Key Award

2002 All American Football Foundation Bill Wade Unsung Hero Award

2002 Hamden Education Foundation Distinguished Alumnus Award

2003 Established The Vincent Diana Fitness Center at Hamden High School

2004 Hamden Education Foundation Athletic Hall of Fame

2004 W.H. Twilight Gold Bat Award

2005 Nomination for National Football Foundation and College Football Hall of Fame

2008-2010 National Scholar Athlete Alumnus Association Platinum Member

2010 March of Dimes Elm City Legends Award