

CHARLOTTE FOOTBALL CLUB

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**CHARLOTTE FC vs NE REVOLUTION**  
BANK OF AMERICA STADIUM  
SATURDAY, MARCH 19, 2022  
7:00PM ET

**REFEREE:** Marcos Deoliveira  
**ASSISTANTS:** Andrew Bigelow, Diego Blas  
**FOURTH OFFICIAL:** Thomas Snyder  
**VAR:** Jose Carlos Rivero  
**AVAR:** TJ Zablocki

## SOCIAL MEDIA CHANNELS

#ForTheCrown | #CrownsUp  
**Facebook:** CharlotteFC  
**Twitter:** @CharlotteFC  
**Instagram:** @CharlotteFC  
**TikTok:** @CharlotteFC

## PLAYER AVAILABILITY REPORT

**OUT**  
Vinicius Mello (left foot surgery)  
Chris Hegardt (left knee)

**QUESTIONABLE**  
Yordy Reyna (right thigh)

**SUSPENDED**  
N/A

## 2022 CLTFC INAUGURAL SEASON SCHEDULE

DATE	OPPONENT	TIME(ET)/RESULT	TV
2/26	at D.C. UNITED	6PM L, 3-0	MLS LIVE ON ESPN+, WSOC-TV
3/5	LA GALAXY	7:30PM L, 1-0	FOX
3/13	at ATLANTA	4:30PM L, 2-1	FS1, FOX
3/19	NEW ENGLAND	7PM	MLS LIVE ON ESPN+, TV64/WAXN
3/26	CINCINNATI	6PM	UNIMAS, TUDN
4/2	at PHILADELPHIA	7:30PM	MLS LIVE ON ESPN+
4/9	ATLANTA	3PM	ESPN
4/16	at NEW ENGLAND	7:30PM	MLS LIVE ON ESPN+
4/23	at COLORADO	9PM	MLS LIVE ON ESPN+
4/30	at ORLANDO	7:30PM	MLS LIVE ON ESPN+
5/7	MIAMI	3:30PM	UNIMAS, TUDN
5/14	MONTREAL	7PM	MLS LIVE ON ESPN+
5/22	VANCOUVER	5PM	MLS LIVE ON ESPN+
5/29	at SEATTLE	9:30PM	FS1, FOX DEPORTES
6/11	RBNY	3PM	ABC, ESPN DEPORTES
6/18	at COLUMBUS	7:30PM	MLS LIVE ON ESPN+
6/25	at MONTREAL	7:30PM	MLS LIVE ON ESPN+
6/30	AUSTIN	7PM	MLS LIVE ON ESPN+
7/3	at HOUSTON	8:30PM	MLS LIVE ON ESPN+
7/9	NASHVILLE	7PM	FS1, FOX DEPORTES
7/16	at INTER MIAMI	8PM	MLS LIVE ON ESPN+
7/23	at TORONTO	7:30PM	MLS LIVE ON ESPN+
7/30	COLUMBUS	7PM	MLS LIVE ON ESPN+
8/3	DC	7PM	MLS LIVE ON ESPN+
8/6	CHICAGO	7PM	MLS LIVE ON ESPN+
8/13	at LAFC	10:30PM	MLS LIVE ON ESPN+
8/17	at NYC	TBD	MLS LIVE ON ESPN+
8/21	ORLANDO	7PM	MLS LIVE ON ESPN+
8/27	TORONTO	7PM	MLS LIVE ON ESPN+
9/3	at CINCINNATI	7:30PM	MLS LIVE ON ESPN+
9/10	NYC	7PM	MLS LIVE ON ESPN+
9/17	at CHICAGO	8PM	MLS LIVE ON ESPN+
10/1	PHILADELPHIA	7PM	MLS LIVE ON ESPN+
10/9	AT RBNY	TBD	MLS LIVE ON ESPN+

MLS OVERALL: 0-3

HOME: 0-1

AWAY: 0-2

## PRONUNCIATION GUIDE

Name	Pronunciation
Harrison Afful	harrison AW-full
Jordy Alcivar	yor-dee al-SEE-var
Adam Armour	adam ar-mer
Ben Bender	Ben Bender
Brandt Bronico	brant brow-nih-coh
Guzman Corujo	gooz-MAWN coh-ROO-ho
Alan Franco	Alan Franco
Christian Fuchs	Christian fooks
McKinze Gaines	mi-kin-zee gains
Chris Hegardt	Chris hay-gart
Kristijan Kahlina	chris-tee-yawn kah-LEE-nah
Jaylin Lindsey	Jaylin Lindsey
Christian Makoun	Christian mah-koon
George Marks	George Marks
Joseph Mora	Joseph mor-ah
Titi Ortiz	tee-tee or-TEEZ
Yordy Reyna	yor-dee ray-nah
Daniel Rios	Daniel ree-ohs
Sergio Ruiz	sair-hee-oh ROO-eez
Vinicius Mello	vin-EE-see-oos mell-oh
Koa Santos	koh-ah san-tohs
Pablo Sisniega	Pablo sees-NEE-ay-guh
Jan Sobocinski	yawn so-boh-CHIN-skee
Karol Swiderski	care-uhl SWEE-dare-skee
Anton Walkes	an-tawn walks

## JERSEY INFO



## BROADCAST INFORMATION

**TV (ENGLISH)** – TV64/WAXN

**TALENT:** Eric Krakauer (play-by-play), Lloyd Sam (analyst), Katie Witham (sideline)

**TV (SPANISH)** – TELEMUNDO CHARLOTTE

**TALENT:** Jaime Moreno (play-by-play), Antonio Ramos (analyst)

**LOCAL RADIO (ENGLISH)** – 1110 AM/99.3 FM WBT

**TALENT:** Will Palaszczuk (play-by-play), Jessica Charman (analyst)

# QUOTE SHEET

## DANIEL RIOS



*On the adaptation process of the beginning of an expansion team:*

“As an expansion team it is difficult in the first season, mostly because most of the guys are new, everything on the team is new. It’s about adapting and knowing each other on the field, the final goal is to win games and win the championship.

“It’s an adaptation process we are in. We are all trying to understand each other, but that only comes with minutes on the pitch. Of course, if we can win games and earn points during this process, that’s the most ideal thing, but it’s part of the process. Learning how your teammates like to move and the way they play.

“We have been unlucky as a team, two penalties, 2 deflected goals, and a golazo, like come on. We have been playing well, but I’m sure it will come, but the closer we get as a team we will have more strength to win these games.”

*On his comfort in Miguel Angel Ramirez’s system:*

“I want to score goals, that’s what I want, I really want to score goals. But I want to help the team in any way I am able to. I’m the type of player that if I have to do defensive duties, or maybe make runs in behind and cross and not be the guy to score goals, I will do it.

“I will do anything to help the team win games and earn points. I’m here to help the team in any form, so if Miguel thinks he needs me in the start 11 or off the bench, I’ll be ready.”

## MIGUEL ÁNGEL RAMÍREZ



*On the result against Atlanta United:*

“There was nothing we could do to change that, what we could control, we did. I’m extremely proud of this group of players and I think they deserved more.

“Not to say that Atlanta didn’t deserve anything. I thought the first half Atlanta was the better side, but the second half was ours... but we can’t forget the context, we are still a group of players that have been together for a short time. It’s still just the beginning of this story. I think that the Club and fans should be proud that we are starting our history with these warriors.”

*On Adam Armour scoring the first-ever CLTFC goal:*

“I congratulated him [Armour], he was born in 2002, and he scored the first goal in the history of this Club in the MLS. I just invited him to really think about it and realize just how the game behaves. He was out of the roster last week, he was of course disappointed and angry, but his response the following day after the game was amazing.

“I used him as an example in front of the players, he was out of the roster, out of the game and he came into the week with his best energy. He pushed in training and made the decision difficult.. and the game rewarded him.”

“He brought history to the Club today with that first goal.”

# 2022 CLTFC STARTING LINEUPS

DATE	OPPONENT	LINEUP
2/26	at D.C. United	<b>GK</b> Kahlina <b>DF</b> Lindsey <b>DF</b> Corujo <b>DF</b> Makoun <b>DF</b> Fuchs <b>DF</b> Mora <b>MF</b> Bronico <b>MF</b> Franco <b>F</b> Gaines <b>F</b> Ortiz <b>F</b> Reyna
3/5	LA Galaxy	<b>GK</b> Kahlina <b>DF</b> Lindsey <b>DF</b> Corujo <b>DF</b> Makoun <b>DF</b> Fuchs <b>DF</b> Mora <b>MF</b> Bronico <b>MF</b> Franco <b>F</b> Ortiz <b>F</b> Swiderski <b>F</b> Reyna
3/13	at Atlanta	<b>GK</b> Kahlina <b>DF</b> Lindsey <b>DF</b> Corujo <b>DF</b> Makoun <b>DF</b> Fuchs <b>MF</b> Bronico <b>MF</b> Franco <b>MF</b> Ortiz <b>F</b> Bender <b>F</b> Swiderski <b>F</b> Reyna
3/19	New England	
3/26	Cincinnati	
4/2	at Philadelphia	
4/9	Atlanta	
4/16	at New England	
4/23	at Colorado	
4/30	at Orlando	
5/7	Miami	
5/14	Montreal	
5/22	Vancouver	
5/29	at Seattle	
6/11	RBNY	
6/18	at Columbus	
6/25	at Montreal	
6/30	Austin	
7/3	at Houston	
7/9	Nashville	
7/16	at Inter Miami	
7/23	at Toronto	
7/30	Columbus	
8/3	D.C.	
8/6	Chicago	
8/13	at LAFC	
8/17	at NYC	
8/21	Orlando	
8/27	Toronto	

## CHARLOTTE FC SEASON STATISTICS

### 2022

Position	Name	GP	GS	MIN	G	A	YC	RC
D	Harrison Afful	1	0	45	0	0	0	0
M	Jordy Alcivar	1	0	11	0	0	0	0
D	Adam Armour	2	0	49	1	0	0	0
M	Ben Bender	3	1	120	0	1	0	0
M	Brandt Bronico	3	3	250	0	0	1	0
D	Guzman Corujo	3	3	270	0	0	0	0
M	Alan Franco	3	3	270	0	0	1	0
D	Christian Fuchs	3	3	270	0	0	1	0
F	McKinze Gaines	3	2	119	0	0	0	0
M	Chris Hegardt	2	0	7	0	0	0	0
D	Jaylin Lindsey	3	3	270	0	0	0	0
D	Christian Makoun	3	3	270	0	0	0	0
D	Joseph Mora	2	2	167	0	0	0	0
M	Titi Ortiz	3	3	203	0	0	2	0
F	Yordy Reyna	2	2	166	0	0	0	0
M	Sergio Ruiz	1	0	8	0	0	0	0
F	Daniel Rios	3	0	62	0	0	1	0
F	Vinicius Mello	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
D	Koa Santos	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
D	Jan Sobocinski	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
F	Karol Swiderski	2	2	142	0	0	0	0
D	Anton Walkes	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

Position	Name	GP	GS	MIN	GA	GAA
GK	Kristijan Kahlina	3	3	270	6	2
GK	George Marks	0	0	0	0	0
GK	Pablo Sisniega	0	0	0	0	0
GK	Adrian Zendejas	0	0	0	0	0

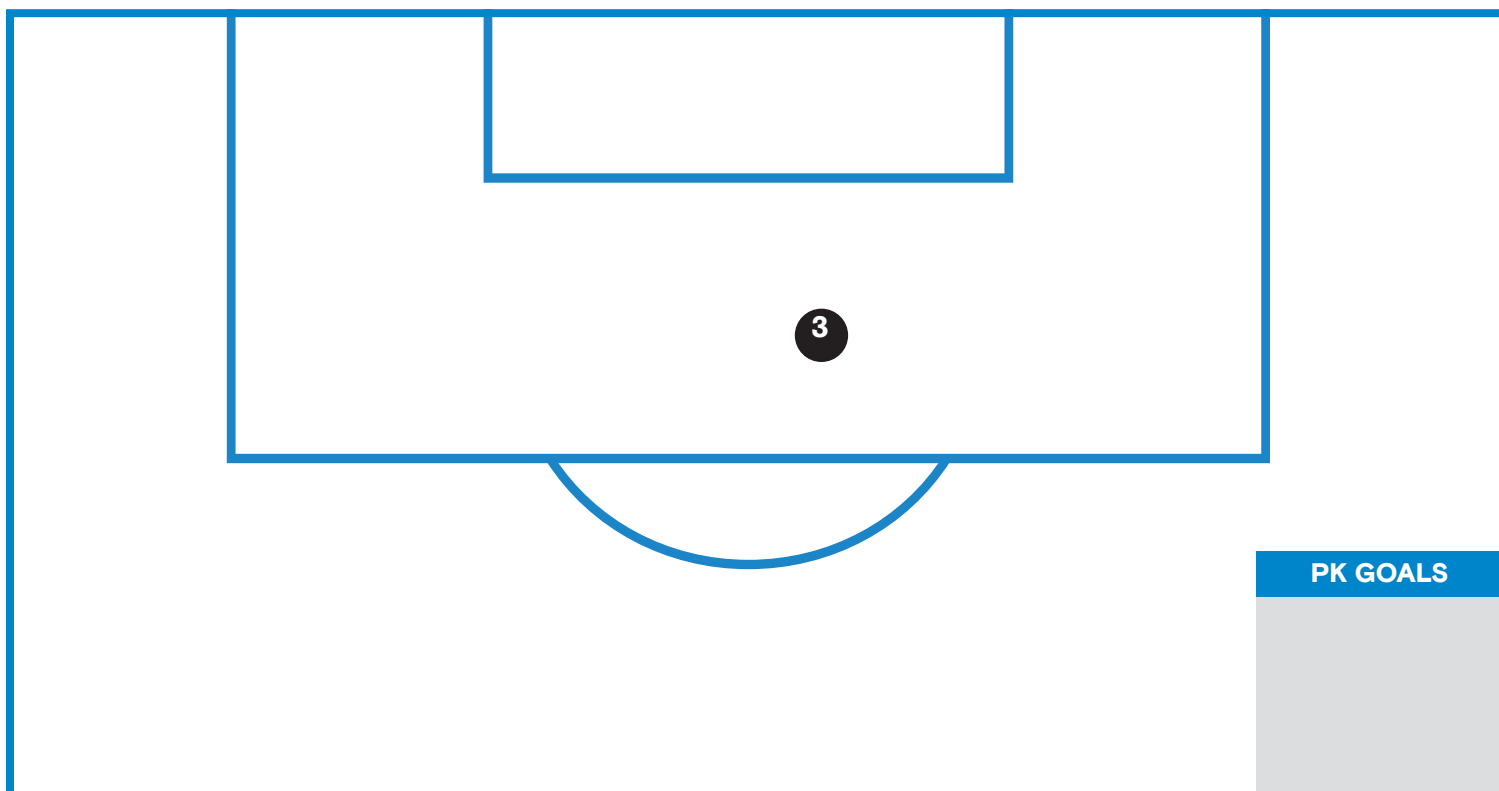
# CLTFC MLS GOALS BREAKDOWN

## CLTFC MLS 2022 GOAL BREAKDOWN

PLAYER	TOTAL	RF	LF	H	PK	FK
Adam Armour	1	0	0	1	0	0
	0	0	0	0	0	0
	0	0	0	0	0	0
	0	0	0	0	0	0
	0	0	0	0	0	0
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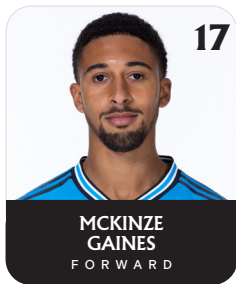
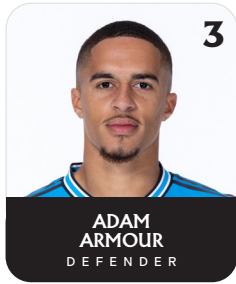
RF = Right Foot Goal    LF = Left Foot Goal    H = Header  
 PK = Penalty Kick Goal    FK = Free Kick Goal

## CHARLOTTE FC GOAL CHART





# HEADSHOTS



# ROSTER

## ALPHABETICAL

LAST	FIRST	NO.	POS.	HT	DOB (AGE)	ROSTER CATEGORY	PLAYER CATEGORY
Afful	Harrison	25	Defender	5'7	7/24/1986 (35)	Senior	
Alcívar	Jordy	8	Midfielder	5'8	8/5/1999 (22)	Senior	International, Young Designated Player
Armour	Adam	3	Defender	5'9	9/27/2002 (19)	Supplemental Slots 25-28	
Bender	Ben	15	Midfielder	6'0	3/7/2001 (20)	Supplemental Slots 21-24	Generation Adidas
Bronico	Brandt	13	Midfielder	5'9	6/20/1995 (26)	Senior	
Corujo	Guzman	4	Defender	6'2	8/2/1996 (25)	Senior	International
Franco	Alan	21	Midfielder	5'8	8/21/1998 (23)	Senior	International
Fuchs	Christian	22	Defender	6'2	4/7/1986 (35)	Senior	
Gaines	McKinze	17	Forward	5'11	3/2/1998 (23)	Senior	
Hegardt	Chris	19	Midfielder	5'9	1/6/2002 (20)	Supplemental Slots 25-28	Homegrown
Kahlina	Kristijan	1	Goalkeeper	6'2	7/24/1992 (29)	Senior	International
Lindsey	Jaylin	24	Defender	5'10	3/27/2000 (21)	Supplemental Slots 29-30	Homegrown
Makoun	Christian	14	Defender	6'1	3/5/2000 (21)	Senior	U22 Initiative
Marks	George	31	Goalkeeper	6'1	11/10/1999 (22)	Signed	
Mellow	Vini	9	Forward	5'11	8/19/2002 (19)	Senior	International, U22 Initiative
Mora	Joseph	28	Defender	5'9	1/15/1993 (29)	Senior	
Ortíz	Titi	10	Forward	5'6	8/20/1992 (29)	Senior	International
Reyna	Yordy	26	Forward	5'7	9/17/1993 (28)	Senior	International
Rios	Daniel	12	Forward	6'1	2/22/1995 (27)	Senior	International
Ruiz	Sergio	6	Midfielder	5'7	12/16/1994 (27)	Senior	International
Santos	Koa	36	Defender	5'10	9/21/1999 (22)	Signed	
Sisniega	Pablo	23	Goalkeeper	6'3	7/7/1995 (26)	Senior	
Sobociński	Jan	2	Defender	5'11	3/20/1999 (22)	Senior	International
Swiderski	Karol	11	Forward	6'0	1/23/1997 (25)	Senior	International, Designated Player
Walkes	Anton	5	Defender	6'2	2/8/1997 (25)	Senior	International
Zendejas	Adrian	30	Goalkeeper	6'5	8/30/1995 (26)	Supplemental Slots 21-24	

## NUMERICAL

NO.	FIRST	LAST	POS.	HT	DOB (AGE)	ROSTER CATEGORY	PLAYER CATEGORY
1	Kristijan	Kahlina	Goalkeeper	6'2	7/24/1992 (29)	Senior	International
2	Jan	Sobociński	Defender	5'11	3/20/1999 (22)	Senior	International
3	Adam	Armour	Defender	5'9	9/27/2002 (19)	Supplemental Slots 25-28	
4	Guzman	Corujo	Defender	6'2	8/2/1996 (25)	Senior	International
5	Anton	Walkes	Defender	6'2	2/8/1997 (25)	Senior	International
6	Sergio	Ruiz	Midfielder	5'7	12/16/1994 (27)	Senior	International
8	Jordy	Alcívar	Midfielder	5'8	8/5/1999 (22)	Senior	International, Young Designated Player
9	Vini	Mellow	Forward	5'11	8/19/2002 (19)	Senior	International, U22 Initiative
10	Titi	Ortíz	Forward	5'6	8/20/1992 (29)	Senior	International
11	Karol	Swiderski	Forward	6'0	1/23/1997 (25)	Senior	International, Designated Player
12	Daniel	Rios	Forward	6'1	2/22/1995 (27)	Senior	International
13	Brandt	Bronico	Midfielder	5'9	6/20/1995 (26)	Senior	
14	Christian	Makoun	Defender	6'1	3/5/2000 (21)	Senior	U22 Initiative
15	Ben	Bender	Midfielder	6'0	3/7/2001 (20)	Supplemental Slots 21-24	Generation Adidas
17	McKinze	Gaines	Forward	5'11	3/2/1998 (23)	Senior	
19	Chris	Hegardt	Midfielder	5'9	1/6/2002 (20)	Supplemental Slots 25-28	Homegrown
21	Alan	Franco	Midfielder	5'8	8/21/1998 (23)	Senior	International
22	Christian	Fuchs	Defender	6'2	4/7/1986 (35)	Senior	
23	Pablo	Sisniega	Goalkeeper	6'3	7/7/1995 (26)	Senior	
24	Jaylin	Lindsey	Defender	5'10	3/27/2000 (21)	Supplemental Slots 29-30	Homegrown
25	Harrison	Afful	Defender	5'7	7/24/1986 (35)	Senior	
26	Yordy	Reyna	Forward	5'7	9/17/1993 (28)	Senior	International
28	Joseph	Mora	Defender	5'9	1/15/1993 (29)	Senior	
30	Adrian	Zendejas	Goalkeeper	6'5	8/30/1995 (26)	Supplemental Slots 21-24	
31	George	Marks	Goalkeeper	6'1	11/10/1999 (22)	Signed	

## 2022 TECHNICAL STAFF

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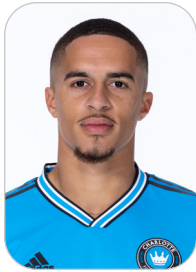
### PLAYER LIASON

Elena Lemus



# PLAYER BIOS

## 2022 FIRST TEAM



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**ADAM ARMOUR**  
@AEARMOUR

**General:** Charlotte FC acquired Armour in June 2021. The Cary native played with the U.S. U-17 Men's National Team roster for the 2019 FIFA U-17

World Cup in Brazil and the 2019 Concacaf U-17 Championship. The 18-year-old played a total of 19 games with the team.

Born to parents from Dominica and Jamaica, the U.S. youth international signed with the German second division FC Nürnberg in the fall of 2020 before returning to his home state with CLTFC.



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**ADRIAN ZENDEJAS**  
@MRZ3ND

**General:** Charlotte FC signed Adrian Zendejas as a free agent. Zendejas made 54 total appearances for Swope Park Rangers,

Sporting KC's USL Championship affiliate after joining the club in 2016. He made his SKC debut in the 2018 U.S. Open Cup, starting in victories over Real Salt Lake and FC Dallas and went on to make five total appearances.

Zendejas has also spent time on MLS rosters at Nashville SC and Minnesota United FC. The latter loaned the California native to El Paso Locomotive FC of the USL Championship in 2021, where he immediately started three games and kept three clean sheets.



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**ALAN FRANCO**  
@ALAN\_FRANCO21

**General:** Charlotte FC acquired Alan Franco on loan from Atlético Mineiro with an option to purchase. Franco reunites with head coach Miguel

Ángel Ramírez in Charlotte. The midfielder was an instrumental part of Ramírez's Independiente del Valle squad that triumphed in the 2019 Copa Sudamericana, starting all 11 matches and adding two goals in the tournament.

Franco has 18 caps and one goal for the Ecuadorian

National Team, including appearances in nine out of 14 games during the current CONMEBOL World Cup Qualification cycle. Ecuador currently sit in third place and an automatic qualification spot with four games remaining.

The Ecuadorian debuted for his boyhood club, Independiente del Valle, as a 17-year-old in 2016, going on to make 75 appearances with five goals and six assists.

After his success at Independiente, Franco moved to Atlético Mineiro in Brazil's first division in 2020. Across two seasons he accumulated 47 appearances while scoring three goals.



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**ANTON WALKES**  
@ANTONWALKES

**General:** Charlotte FC acquired Walkes from Atlanta United in the 2021 MLS Expansion Draft. In 2021, Walkes had a career year with Atlanta United,

starting 32 games with two goals and two assists. The versatile defender came through the Tottenham Hotspur academy, originally going on loan to Atlanta in 2017 before joining Portsmouth in 2018. In 2020, Atlanta acquired the center back permanently and in three total seasons with the club, he compiled 71 appearances with 65 starts, four goals, and three assists.



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**BEN BENDER**

**General:** Charlotte FC drafted Bender 1st overall in the 2022 MLS SuperDraft. Bender finished his sophomore season with seven goals and five assists in 18 appearances, leading

his team to a 12-4-2 overall record. The midfielder was named a United Soccer Coaches First Team All-American and the Big Ten Midfielder of the Year. He was one of eight elite collegiate underclassmen signed to a Generation adidas contract.



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**BRANDT BRONICO**  
@BRONIBRO13

**General:** Charlotte FC acquired Bronico from the Chicago Fire in exchange for swapping fourth-round

picks in the 2022 MLS SuperDraft. Bronico joined Charlotte FC after four seasons (2017-20) with the Chicago Fire. A fan favorite in Chicago, Bronico made 66 appearances, including 40 starts, notching two goals and eight assists in his four seasons with the Fire. Bronico joined Chicago as a third-round choice (47th overall) in the 2017 SuperDraft.

Bronico played collegiately for the Charlotte 49ers from 2013-16, scoring 25 goals and adding 23 assists. As a senior in 2016, Bronico was named the Conference USA Player of the Year and second-team All-America after scoring nine goals, including four game-winners.

A native of High Point, N.C., Bronico played on youth teams for NC Fusion and Carolina Dynamo.



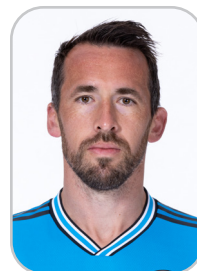
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**CHRIS HEGARDT**  
@CRHEGARDT\_

**General:** Charlotte FC acquired Hegardt and his Homegrown Priority from the Seattle Sounders for \$50,000 in GAM. Hegardt played 31 games for

Georgetown across two seasons where he scored three goals and added six assists. The Hoyas won the 2021 BIG EAST Conference Tournament and earned the number three overall seed in the 2021 NCAA Tournament before falling in the Final Four.

Prior to his time at Georgetown, the San Diego native was part of the Seattle Sounders' academy where he won the 2019 Generation adidas Cup. Hegardt made his professional debut with the Sounders' USL affiliate, Tacoma Defiance, in 2019 and went on to play 17 games overall.



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**CHRISTIAN FUCHS**  
@FUCHS\_OFFICIAL

**General:** Charlotte FC acquired Fuchs from Premier League side Leicester City. The former Austrian national team

captain won the 2015-16 Premier League title and the 2020-21 English FA Cup. Fuchs played for Bundesliga's Bochum, Mainz and Schalke before joining Leicester City in 2015. Throughout his six years at City, the 35-year-old made 152 appearances and excelled in the UEFA Champions League as the team reached the last-eight during their campaign at Europe's highest level.

# PLAYER BIOS



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**CHRISTIAN MAKOUN**

@CHRISTIANMAKOUN

**General:** Charlotte FC acquired Makoun from Inter Miami in exchange for the No. 1 Allocation Ranking spot. As a teenager,

Makoun signed as Miami's third-ever player ahead of their debut 2020 season. He then had a breakout season in 2021, playing in 26 games with 23 starts and two goals.

The center back has begun to break through with the Venezuelan national team and has been called up to the senior squad for multiple World Cup Qualifiers this cycle. Makoun has been named as a substitute in Venezuela's last five CONMEBOL World Cup Qualifiers but has yet to make his senior debut.

As a 17-year-old, he played for the Venezuela U-20s with two appearances at the 2017 U-20 World Cup. Two years later, he captained the side for all nine games at the 2019 U-20 South American Championship.

Makoun's youth development began in the Zamora FC academy in his native Venezuela. He made 34 total senior appearances for his boyhood club on either side of a 2018 loan to Italian giant Juventus, where he amassed experience across their youth teams. George Marks - Charlotte FC drafted Marks in the third round of the 2022 MLS SuperDraft



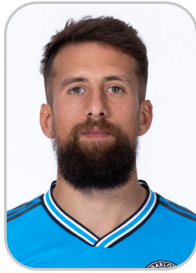
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**GEORGE MARKS**

@GEORGE MARKS\_24

**General:** - Charlotte FC drafted Marks in the third round of the 2022 MLS SuperDraft. Marks was a three-year full-time starter for at Clemson

University, leading them to the 2021 NCAA National Championship in his senior year. He recorded 47 wins, 21 shutouts, and 6,031 minutes for the Tigers, all good for 3rd all-time in program history. The Raleigh, North Carolina native attended two U-20 U.S. National Team Camps and was a member for the North Carolina FC Youth Academy.



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**GUZMAN CORUJO**

@CORUJOGUZMAN

**General:** Charlotte FC acquired Corujo from his hometown club Nacional in Uruguay. The 25-year-old center back has played

over 100 matches for Nacional since debuting as a professional for the Uruguayan club in 2017.

A two-time champion of Uruguay's Primera División in 2019 and 2020, Corujo featured 22 times for Nacional in the Copa Libertadores, the top continental club competition in South America.



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**HARRISON AFFUL**

@KINGHARRISON25

**General:** Charlotte FC acquired longtime Columbus Crew defender Afful as a free agent. The 35-year-old right back was

a stalwart for the Columbus Crew for seven years, starting at least 20 matches in each of the last six seasons. Afful has played in 164 regular season matches and contributed six goals with 18 assists. In addition, the Ghanaian has 17 playoff appearances including an MLS Cup title with Columbus in 2020 where he played all 90 minutes in a 3-0 win over the Seattle Sounders.

Afful has earned 83 caps for his country and started two of Ghana's three group stage games at the 2014 World Cup, registering an assist against Germany. The right back has featured in three World Cup Qualifying cycles and five Africa Cup of Nations tournaments. Prior to playing in Major League Soccer, Afful came through the academy at Ghanaian club Fetteh Feyenoord. He spent two years with the Feyenoord senior team before going on loan for a further two years to another Ghanaian club, Asante Kotoko.

After four years of professional soccer in Ghana, Afful left his home country to join Esperance Tunis of the Tunisian first division. He spent six seasons with Tunis and racked up almost 180 appearances and won four league titles. While in Tunisia, he played 52 times in the CAF Champions League and led ES Tunis to the 2011 title which earned the Club a berth in the 2012 FIFA Club World Cup



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**JAN SOBOCINSKI**

@JANSOBOCINSKI

**General:** Charlotte FC acquired Sobocinski from LKS Lodz in his native Poland. Sobociński, a left-footed central defender,

represented his country in the 2019 U-20 World Cup. Sobociński joined the youth ranks at Łódź in 2015, and was loaned to Polish third-division side Gryf Wejherowo for first-team experience in 2017-18. Upon returning to Łódź the following season, he became a first-team regular. Sobociński has recorded a total of 165 professional appearances with 12 goals. He has represented Poland at youth level 16 times, most recently in the U21 team.



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**JAYLIN LINDSEY**

@JAYLINLINDSEY

**General:** Charlotte FC acquired Charlotte native Jaylin Lindsey, along with his Homegrown rights, from Sporting Kansas City for \$100,000 in GAM with

\$225,000 GAM in performance-based incentives. Lindsey made 34 MLS appearances with 27 starts for Sporting KC over 4 years. An experienced U.S. youth international, Lindsey racked up 31 appearances for the U-17 national team along with appearances for both the U-15 and U-20 teams.

In 2017, defender was named to the CONCACAF U-17 Championship Best XI as the U.S. qualified for the 2017 FIFA U-17 World Cup. There, Lindsey started and played 90 minutes in all three group stages games before an injury ruled him out of the knockout rounds as the U.S. eventually fell in the Quarterfinals.

Before joining the Sporting Kansas City academy in 2015, Lindsey played for local youth club Charlotte Soccer Academy.



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**JORDY ALCIVAR**  
@JORDY\_ALCIVAR13

**General:** – Alcivar played 83 times for his boyhood club LDU Quito, scoring five goals and contributing six assists. He started all six matches in LDU's Copa

Libertadores campaign this season and scored a brace during second leg of the club's Round of 16 Copa Sudamericana fixture against Gremio to put his side through on aggregate against the Brazilians. Alcivar was key to Ecuador's youth national team success over the course of the 2019 season. The midfielder made four appearances for the title winning U-20s at the South American Championships which qualified Ecuador to the 2019 FIFA U-20 World Cup later that summer.

A third-place finish was on the cards for Ecuador in that competition, the country's best finish at a U-20 World Cup. Alcivar played six matches and put in a 112 minute shift in the third-place playoff against Italy, a 1-0 win for Ecuador.



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**JOSEPH MORA**  
@JOSEPH\_MORACR

**General:** Charlotte FC acquired Mora from D.C. United in the 2021 Expansion Draft. Mora spent four years with D.C. United, registering four assists in 99

appearances and 83 starts for the Black-and-Red. The left back also played extensively for Costa Rican youth national teams, featuring at the 2009 FIFA U17 World Cup and 2011 FIFA U20 World Cup, and now has four caps for the senior national team. Mora counts as a domestic player.



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**KAROL ŚWIDZKI**  
@SWIDER9

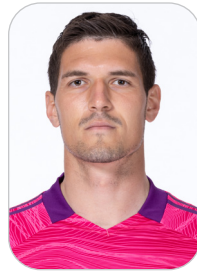
**General:** Charlotte FC signed Świdzki as the Club's first-ever Designated Player from PAOK. Świdzki, who

broke through with the Polish national team in 2021 and earned a spot on their roster for last summer's European Championship, joined PAOK in 2018 and scored 35 goals in 135 appearances while adding 14 assists. In Greece, Świdzki won three trophies including the 2018-19 Super League Greece and two Greek Cups.

The 25-year-old striker made his debut for Poland in March 2021 where he scored off the bench in a 3-0 World Cup Qualifier win against Andorra. Świdzki would go on to make nine total appearances during the qualifying campaign, netting five goals en route to helping Poland to a second-place finish in Group I. With the second-place finish, Świdzki and Poland will enter the UEFA World Cup Qualifying Playoffs in March to try and book their spot in the 2022 World Cup.

Świdzki played in all three matches for Poland during last summer's EURO 2020 which included starting in tandem with 2021 Ballon d'Or Striker of the Year, Robert Lewandowski, during a 1-1 draw against Spain.

The striker began his career in his native Poland when he signed his first professional contract with Jagiellonia Białystok. He would score 25 goals in 128 appearances for Jagiellonia before being bought by PAOK.



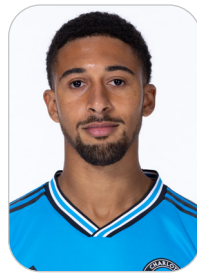
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**KRISTIJAN KAHLINA**  
@KAHLINA\_K

**General:** Charlotte FC acquired Kahlina from Bulgarian champions Ludogorets Razgrad. The 29-year-old goalkeeper

made 36 appearances across all competitions keeping 13 clean sheets over his year-and-a-half spell with Ludogorets. He joined at the end of the 2020-2021 season, starting the club's final five league matches and helped wrap up Ludogorets' tenth consecutive Bulgarian title.

Prior to his move to Charlotte, the Croatian started 10 league matches this season and featured in Champions League qualifying rounds and the Europa League group stage.



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**MCKINZE GAINES**  
@MCKINZE

**General:** Charlotte FC acquired Gaines from Austin FC in the 2021 MLS Expansion Draft. In 2021 for Austin FC, McKinze Gaines

appeared in nine games with one start and one goal. Before arriving in Austin, the young forward spent the 2020-2021 season with German 2. Bundesliga side Hannover 96 and Regionalliga's Hannover 96 II, where he made nine starts and scored one goal.

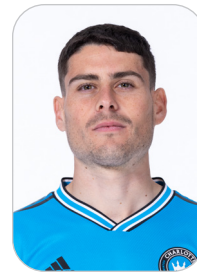


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**PABLO SISNIEGA**  
@PABLOSISNIEGA

**General:** Charlotte FC acquired Sisniega from LAFC for \$50,000 in GAM with an additional \$50,000 in performance-based incentives. The 26-year-old

Real Sociedad product joined LAFC in 2019 and made 32 appearances for the club over three seasons, including eight starts with one shutout in 2021. After coming through the La Liga side's academy, Sisniega made his debut for Real Sociedad B in 2014 as a 19-year-old. He would go on to make 38 starts and keep 14 clean sheets in the Segunda Division B.



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**SERGIO RUIZ**  
@SERGIO.RUIZ.  
ALONSO

**General:** Charlotte FC acquired Ruiz as the Club's first-ever signing from Spanish second-division side Racing Santander,

whom he represented as captain. Ruiz represented Racing in the past three seasons, after graduating from its reserve team in 2016. His six goals and seven assists in the 2018-19 campaign helped earn Racing promotion to the Spanish Second Division. Ruiz spent 2021 on loan with Las Palmas in the Spanish Second Division.



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**TITI ORTIZ**  
@CRISTIANORTIZ\_20

**General:** Charlotte FC acquired Ortiz on loan from Club Tijuana with an option to purchase. Ortiz, who goes by "Titi", joined Independiente del Valle in

early 2020 and played 31 games for CLTFC head coach Miguel Ángel Ramírez. He scored nine goals and added six assists for the Ecuadorian club that season across the domestic league and Copa Libertadores. He went on to score 19 goals total for IDV before earning a move to Tijuana.

Ortiz has played in Argentina, Uruguay, Peru, Ecuador and Mexico across his career. He made his first major impact in senior football at Racing Club de Montevideo in the Uruguayan Primera Division where he broke through as a teenager and scored six goals across 37 games.

He then signed for Club Atlético Independiente

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where he was sent on loan for a pair of spells in Peru. For Universidad de San Martín de Porres he scored 27 goals and contributed 10 assists over 58 appearances. For 20-time Peruvian champion Sporting Cristal, he made 82 appearances with 19 goals and 17 assists.



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**VINI MELLO**  
@VINI\_MELLO02

**General:**The Internacional academy product debuted for the senior team in February 2021 by starting and playing 72 minutes in a 1-0 victory against

Juventude in the Campeonato Gaúcho. Shortly after making his senior debut, Mello began working under the leadership of current CLTFC head coach Miguel Ángel Ramírez.

Mello played 13 times for Internacional in 2021, including 8 matches in Serie A and 3 in the prestigious Copa Libertadores. Since 2020, the young Brazilian played in 28 games for the Internacional U20 side, scoring 15 goals. He first played for the U20s as a 16-year-old in 2019.



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**YORDY REYNA**  
@YORDYREYNA26

**General:** Charlotte FC acquired Reyna as a free agent. The 28-year-old Peruvian international has spent the last six seasons in Major League Soccer

between the Vancouver Whitecaps and D.C. United. Reyna has played 100 regular season matches where he has added 24 goals and 19 assists.

Reyna has earned 28 caps for his country and featured in two World Cup qualifying cycles. He also played in the 2015 Copa America, where he started for Peru in a 2-0 victory over Paraguay in the Third Place Play-Off.

Prior to playing in Major League Soccer, Reyna came through the Alianza Lima academy where he would go on to make 22 appearances in the Peruvian top flight. His play there and with the Peruvian U-20 team caught the eye of Red Bull Salzburg who signed him in 2013. Reyna played 41 times in the Austrian Bundesliga between RB Salzburg and a loan stint at

SV Grödig, totaling 14 goals and 8 assists.

Reyna also got a taste of European football in Austria, playing in the UEFA Champions League Qualifying stages and the Europa League for RB Salzburg.



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**KOA SANTOS**  
@KOA\_SANTOS

**General:**Charlotte FC signed Santos following a successful preseason trial with the Club. Over four years for San Diego State University, Santos appeared

in 58 games with 40 starts in the Pac-12, one of the premier NCAA Division I men's soccer conferences. He also led the Portland Timbers U23s to the 2021 Western Conference Championship in USL League Two, starting 10 of 11 games with two goals and three assists.



# TECHNICAL STAFF



## MIGUEL ANGEL RAMIREZ



Copa Sudamericana  
(2019)

**BIRTHPLACE:** Las Palmas  
**TITLE:** Head Coach  
**PREVIOUS CLUBS COACHED:**  
Internacional, Independiente del  
Valle, Qatar national soccer teams

Ramírez, 36, joins Charlotte FC after coaching Brazilian club Porto Alegre Internacional in 2021, part of Brazil's top-flight Série A league.

Prior to Internacional, Ramírez led the Ecuadorian club, Independiente del Valle for two seasons (2019-2020), capturing a Copa Sudamericana title just months into his first head coaching job in 2019.

Considered the second-most prestigious international competition in all of South America pitting many of the top clubs on the continent, the Copa Sudamericana tournament win was the first international title in Independiente's history, a significant accomplishment for a manager in his first true head coaching opportunity.

Ramírez' talent for player development was ingrained in all of that 2019 season's success in Ecuador. He had coached the club's youth team in 2018 and 2019, instilling the winning attitude that eventually led to the international win.

A native of Las Palmas, Spain, Ramírez began to train as coach in the lower categories of the Union Deportiva Las Palmas and Deportivo Alaves, in Spain. He moved to Greece in 2011 with AEK FC, Panathinaikos and Olympiacos. Ramirez also spent six years at the Aspire Academy in Doha, Qatar, where he coached the Under-12, Under-13, Under-16 and Under-17 sides. He also served as head coach of the Under-17 and Under -14 Qatar national soccer teams and was assistant coach for the Under-19 side.



**CHRISTIAN  
LATTANZIO**  
ASSISTANT COACH

**General:** Born in Italy, he served as the assistant coach for New York City FC from 2016-2018 and Technical Coordinator for Manchester City's Elite Development Squad.



**MIKEL ANTIA**  
ASSISTANT COACH

**General:** The 49-year-old joins the new MLS expansion team from professional Chinese football club Dalian Pro FC., where he served as assistant from 2019-2021.



**ANDY QUY**  
GOALKEEPER COACH

**General:** Quy, who spent over a decade with Stoke City during their spell in the Premier League, joins the Club with a decorated list of former goalkeepers who studied under his wing.



# BOX SCORES

## MLS GAME 1



**CLTFC** 0  
**DC UNITED** 3

DATE: February 26, 2022  
Audi Field

### SCORING SUMMARY

CLT - N/A  
DC - Estrada (37', 45+6'), Kamara (65')

### DISCIPLINARY SYMMARY

CLT - Ortiz (YC 26')  
DC - Najjar (YC 15'), Estrada (YC 42'), Hines-Ike (YC 85'), Perez (YC 87')

### REFEREES

Referee: Victor Rivas  
Assistants: Jason White, Gianni Facchini  
4th Official: Eric Tattersall

### STATS

	SH	SOG	FOUL	OFF	CK	SV
CLT	11	5	15	2	6	1
DC	11	4	13	2	3	5

## MLS GAME 2



**CLTFC** 0  
**LA GALAXY** 1

DATE: March 5, 2022  
Bank of America Stadium

### SCORING SUMMARY

CLT - N/A  
LAG - Alvarez (77')

### DISCIPLINARY SYMMARY

CLT - Fuchs (YC 37')  
LAG - Coulibaly (YC 45+1')

### REFEREES

Referee: Jair Marrufo  
Assistants: Ian Anderson, Kyle Atkins  
4th Official: Kevin Broadley

### STATS

	SH	SOG	FOUL	OFF	CK	SV
CLT	5	3	11	2	3	5
LAG	21	6	9	1	7	3

## MLS GAME 3



**CLTFC** 1  
**ATLANTA UTD** 2

DATE: March 13, 2022  
Mercedes-Benz Stadium

### SCORING SUMMARY

CLT - Armour (66')  
ATL - Martinez (60'), Mulraney (90+6')

### DISCIPLINARY SYMMARY

CLT - Ortiz (YC 30'), Franco (YC 36'), Bronico (YC 75'), Rios (84')  
ATL - Campbell (YC 87'), Alonso (YC 90+1')

### REFEREES

Referee: Guido Gonzales  
Assistants: Jason White, Ian McKay  
4th Official: Nima Saghafi

### STATS

	SH	SOG	FOUL	OFF	CK	SV
CLT	12	7	16	2	5	6
ATL	14	8	8	6	11	6

## MLS GAME 4



**CLTFC** #  
**NE REV** #

DATE: March 19, 2022  
Bank of America Stadium

### SCORING SUMMARY

CLT -  
NE -

### DISCIPLINARY SYMMARY

CLT -  
NE -

### REFEREES

Referee: Firstname Lastname  
Assistants: Firstname Lastname, Firstname Lastname,  
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### STATS

	SH	SOG	FOUL	OFF	CK	SV
CLT	0	0	0	0	0	0
NE	0	0	0	0	0	0

## MLS GAME 5



**CLTFC** #  
**CINCINNATI** #

DATE: March 26, 2022  
Bank of America Stadium

### SCORING SUMMARY

CLT -  
CIN -

### DISCIPLINARY SYMMARY

CLT -  
CIN -

### REFEREES

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### STATS

	SH	SOG	FOUL	OFF	CK	SV
CLT	0	0	0	0	0	0
CIN	0	0	0	0	0	0

## MLS GAME 6



**CLTFC** #  
**PHI** #

DATE: April 2, 2022  
Subaru Park

### SCORING SUMMARY

CLT -  
PHI -

### DISCIPLINARY SYMMARY

CLT -  
PHI -

### REFEREES

Referee: Firstname Lastname  
Assistants: Firstname Lastname, Firstname Lastname,  
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### STATS

	SH	SOG	FOUL	OFF	CK	SV
CLT	0	0	0	0	0	0
PHI	0	0	0	0	0	0