

Former Georgia AD Damon Evans May be Coming to USM

Trial Balloon or Friend of Rodney?

SB*Nation reporter Peter Berkes [is reporting that](#) Former Georgia Athletic Director Damon Evans may become the next AD at USM. Evans served as AD at the University of Georgia from 2004 - 2010, while Bennett functioned as Vice President for Student Affairs at the same school from 2005 - 2013. Evans also played receiver at Georgia from 1988-92 and then [replaced Vince Dooley](#) as AD in 2004. Bennett has named Dooley [an advisor](#) in the process of selecting a new AD for USM.



Damon Evans

Sources tell usmnews.net that the UGA connections all appear to be lining up for Evans.

If true, this would be a highly controversial choice for Rodney Bennett's new presidency. On June 30, 2010, almost exactly three years ago, Evans was "[arrested in Atlanta](#) for driving under the influence, hours before his new contract -- including a raise from \$440,000 to \$550,000 -- kicked in." While Evans might have survived the DUI charges, the presence of a 28-year-old woman who was not Mrs. Evans, and attempts to use his job to get out of it, resulted in his resignation.

Sources remind usmnews.net that Evans would not be the first time USM had brought [someone into its athletics](#) program who had exhibited similar bad behavior.

