

**2009 ACC Baseball Championship  
Goodmon Field at Durham Bulls Athletic Park  
Durham, NC, May 20-24**

**Game 8 Duke vs. Clemson**

**Clemson Head Coach Jack Leggett**

Opening Statement:

"It's a tough loss for us. I had a good feeling coming into the ballgame that we'd come out and play well. It started off with Kyle Parker's home run, got up, and it was just a different kind of game for us. I thought Chris (Dwyer) had pretty good stuff and was keeping us in the ballgame. He just had a rough one inning just like we had yesterday; our fourth and fifth inning were rough and today our sixth inning was rough. They had the same amount of hits as we did, but they just made them count."

On the case of momentum heading out of the tournament:

"Obviously, we came in here to win ballgames but we didn't get it done yesterday in a tough ballgame. I thought we played pretty well yesterday but we just went through a quiet period offensively and they pitched pretty well. We had a letup in the middle of the game just like today. Other than those two or three innings, we've played ok. We just have to be able to come out tomorrow and be able to play a better baseball game against a really good team in North Carolina."

**Clemson Freshman LHP Chris Dwyer**

On his performance in the game:

"I fell behind in the count a little bit towards the end of the [sixth] inning. I wasn't able to make the pitches that I had to make. I felt good out there, I felt strong, I felt like I had all of my pitches. Sometimes things just don't go your way."

**Clemson Sophomore OF Kyle Parker**

On the team's mentality heading into the NCAA Tournament:

"I think we're kind of in the same place. Everybody really realizes that baseball is a funny game and you can come in here and score ten [runs] or get ten runs scored on you." I think we're strong; we can shake it off and come back and play hard tomorrow."

## **Duke Head Coach Sean McNally**

### Opening Statement:

“This was a good win for us today. I have a lot of respect for Clemson. We knew they would play us hard all the way through the game. I thought both starters were terrific. I thought (Chris) Dwyer was very good. Andrew (Wolcott) has been rock solid all year long. He’s a cornerstone guy for our season and our program. It just was kind of a question of who would break it open first. I thought our defense was terrific in the first five innings. That really helped us and gave us a chance to get the bats going. We felt coming into the game that if we played good defense, Andrew would give us a good outing, just needed to break the bats out. Second half of the game our defense wasn’t as good, but credit Clemson. They continued to put pressure on us. We knew that they’d make a run. I’m excited we were able to finish the ball game against a really good ACC program. That’s a good win for us. I’m proud of the way the guys swung the bats. It was a great day for Nate (Freiman), a great day for Andrew and a good win for us.”