## 3B/OF Tyler Minick

School: UConn Grade: Junior DOB: 11/02/2004

HT: 6-0 WT: 205 H/T: R/R

## Grades

Hit	Power	Field	Throw	Run	OFP	Risk
50 (55)	50 (55)	45 (50)	55 (55)	40 (40)	45	Medium

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<u>Physical:</u> Minick has added on roughly 30 pounds to his athletic frame since his senior year of high school where he started out as a two-way player. After joining UConn, he focused solely on hitting where he'd post above average exit velos with the bat. It's a somewhat unorthodox stance reminiscent of JT Realmuto, slightly open with high hands and the bat above his head. Minick has more bending of the knees which allows him to stay more balanced and transfer his weight well through his swing. He has quick hands and looks to drive the ball gap to gap with plenty of power to show.

Strengths: Defensively, Minick split time between both first and third base with an above average arm across the diamond and solid footwork to hold down both spots. Given the athleticism, he could get some looks in the corner outfield this spring. He took major offensive strides with the bat in his sophomore season, specifically with the plate discipline and pitch recognition. He raised his walk rate from 2.7% to 11.9% and improved his strikeout rate. He picked up spin much better in-zone given he hadn't chased too much to begin with. Minick led the Big East in home runs (22) and slashed .350/.433/.729 en route to a breakout second year. He possesses solid bat-to-ball skills and makes consistent hard contact with a quick and compact swing.

<u>Weaknesses:</u> It will be interesting to see how he'll fare against higher velos and better spin as he does have some swing and miss to his game. He's only shown a single season of elite numbers so his junior year will be a crucial checkpoint in his overall development ahead of the draft. It'll be interesting to see if he can keep up his improved walk rate and in turn reach base safely at a high clip.

<u>Summary:</u> The only thing holding Minick back from being one of the more thought after prospects is his sample size. If he continues to prove it this upcoming season, Minick has a high floor with plenty of underlying metrics that major league analytical staffs yearn for. When he puts it all together, the Reading, PA native could be a sneaky get in the first few rounds.