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A's Acquire OF Laureano from Houston for RHP Bailey

OAKLAND, Calif. – The Oakland A's acquired outfielder Ramon Laureano from Houston for right-handed pitcher Brandon Bailey, the club announced today. Laureano was added to the A's 40-man roster and right-handed pitcher Bobby Wahl was outrighted to Triple-A Nashville to clear a spot on the 40-man roster.

Laureano spent the entire season at Double-A Corpus Christi and hit .227 with 11 home runs and 55 RBI in 123 games. He tied for third in the Texas League with six triples and ranked fourth with 24 stolen bases. The 23-year-old right-handed hitter led TL outfielders in assists (16), double plays (6) and games played (123). He appeared in 95 games in right field and 31 in center field. Laureano was originally selected by Houston in the 16th round of the 2014 draft and is a .266 career hitter in 331 games over four professional seasons.

Bailey began the season at Single-A Beloit and was 1-1 with a 2.68 ERA in 15 games, 11 starts, when he was promoted to Single-A Stockton at the end of June. He went 2-1 with a save and a 4.24 ERA in nine games, six starts, with the Ports and was a combined 3-2 with a 3.26 ERA in 24 games, including 17 starts, overall. The 27-year-old right-hander struck out 120 batters in 91.0 innings. Bailey was the A's sixth round selection in the 2016 draft and is 6-3 with a 3.16 ERA in 36 games, including 24 starts, in two seasons as a professional.

Wahl started the year at Nashville but was promoted to Oakland May 3. He compiled a 4.70 ERA in seven relief appearances with the A's before going on the disabled list May 24. Wahl made five rehab appearances before undergoing season-ending thoracic outlet surgery on his right arm Aug. 14.

The complete 2017 and career statistics for Laureano follow:

LAUREANO	AVG	G	AB	R	Н	2B	3B	HR	RBI	BB	SO	SB	CS	SLG	OBP
Corpus Christi (AA)	.227	123	463	65	105	21	6	11	55	40	110	24	5	.369	.298
CAREER	.266	331	1220	205	324	64	21	31	164	138	328	89	22	.429	.350

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