



### **Biography for Samuel Jackson**

Samuel Jackson is a native of Timmonsville, South Carolina. He graduated from Emory University with a B.A. in Economics. While a student at Emory, Jackson was heavily involved in the life of the Campus that ranged from activities in the Student Government Association, President's Commission on the Status of Minorities, Emory Leadership Hall, to Principal Trombonist in the Emory Wind Ensemble. Furthermore, Jackson was the recipient of numerous Honors and Awards including the Brad Edwards Leadership Award, Who's Who Among American College Students, and the Virgil Eady Sophomore Service Award at Oxford College. In 2006, Mr. Jackson was honored with the Martin Luther King, Jr. Community Service Award by Emory's Goizueta Business School and Rollins School of Public Health for excellence in community innovation and change.

Currently, Mr. Jackson is the President and CEO of the Economic Empowerment Initiative, Inc (EEI) founded in 2001, EEI is a not-for profit foundation created to provide financial literacy training, leadership development skills, and business development opportunities to youth and young adults in underserved communities. Mentoring, tutoring, educational initiatives, focus group facilitation, entrepreneurial training, and workforce development are all central focuses of the EEI. For more information go to [www.eei-inc.org](http://www.eei-inc.org)

Mr. Jackson is a member of the Commerce Club, Emory University Senior Honor Society Executive Board, VOICE CDC Executive Board at Victory Church, and serves on several Advisory Boards and Councils for non-profit agencies across the country. Mr. Jackson is also a member of the Board of Directors for the Southern Regional Council, National Association of African-Americans in Human Resources (NAAHR)-Atlanta Chapter, Ryan Cameron Foundation, and Terrance Mathis Foundation. In his spare time, Mr. Jackson enjoys golf, cooking, chess, as well as classical music, and frequently participates in charity events. For more information go to [www.samueljackson.com](http://www.samueljackson.com)