

## Christopher A. Simpson

Born in Los Angeles and raised in Jackson, Christopher Simpson graduated from Jackson High School in 1986. He enlisted in the U.S. Army and served four years as an infantryman. He later joined the Michigan Army National Guard and deployed to Iraq in 2003. Simpson served 30 years in the Army before retiring in 2015 as a Command Sergeant Major (E-9).

In 1991, he joined the Jackson Police Department as a cadet. He graduated from the Mid-Michigan Police Academy in 1992 and became a sworn police officer. He served many assignments within the organization and rose to the rank of lieutenant, serving as division commander for patrol and support operations before retiring in 2017.

Christopher attended Jackson College and graduated from Spring Arbor University with a B.A. in Business Organizational Development and a M.A. in Business Organizational Management. He also graduated from the FBI National Academy, Police School of Staff and Command, and New Chief School and Executive Leaders. He has attended and completed all levels of military leadership training.

He serves as an adjunct professor for Baker College and Siena Heights University. Additionally, he has assisted Jackson College in leadership and professional development endeavors by speaking to specialty groups, student-led groups, town hall meetings, and classroom presentations.

He has served on executive boards for Domestic Violence Coordinating Council, Jackson Human Services Coordinating Alliance, Jackson YMCA, Jackson Community Foundation, Highfields, Jackson Chamber of Commerce, Jackson County NAACP, Law Enforcement Executive Action Forum, Aware Shelter, Jackson Chamber of Commerce, Summit to Reduce Violence Committee, Jackson Juneteenth Executive Committee, and the Jackson College Foundation.

He is routinely honored for his dedication to service, with numerous military medals and citations, police honors, and community recognitions.

Christopher is married to Erica and has four children and one grandson.

