

### **Chris Hinton '04 Honored by U.S. Small Business Administration**

Chris Hinton '04 was recently honored by the U.S. Small Business Administration in a ceremony at the Jackson Old Capitol Inn which showcased community leaders and entrepreneurs throughout the state for their efforts in the creation and promotion of small business development and sustainability. Hinton received the honor of 2013 Mississippi Minority Small Business Champion. Janita Stewart, SBA Mississippi District Director, and Cassius Butts, SBA Region IV Administrator were on hand to personally congratulate and present awards to all winners. For a complete list of all the Mississippi SBA 2013 Winners, click the link below.

<http://www.msmeec.com/community/blumenthal-good-named-mississippi-small-business-persons-of-the-year>



**\*\*Pictured from left to right:**

Cassius Butts, SBA Region IV Administrator (Southeast Region: MS, AL, FL, GA, TN, KY, SC, NC)

Chris Hinton, (Honoree)

Carol Moore Anderson, Director, U.S. Dept. of Commerce – MS Export Assistance Center

Janita Stewart, Mississippi SBA District Director

Kim Coalter, Constituent Services Representative, Senator Thad Cochran's Office