



**SANFORD CLOUD, JR.**, is the Chairman and CEO of The Cloud Company, LLC, a real estate development and business investment firm. Sandy is the former President and CEO of The National Conference for Community and Justice, a human relations organization dedicated to fighting bias, bigotry and racism in America and promoting understanding among all races, religions, and cultures. Before serving at NCCJ, Sandy was the first African American partner in the law firm of Robinson & Cole in Hartford, CT. And through much of the 1980s and early 1990s, Sandy worked for Aetna Inc. as Vice President, Corporate Public Involvement and Executive Director of the Aetna Foundation.

Sandy currently serves on the Board of Directors of Eversource Energy, and is its Lead Director; The Thomas J. Dodd Research Center; The University of Connecticut Health Center, and is Chairman of the Board, and sits on the University's Board of Trustees. Previously, he has served on the Board of Directors of The Phoenix Companies, Tenet Healthcare Corporation, The Advest Group, Inc., The Fund for Greater Hartford, Chairman of Hartford Seminary and The Connecticut Health Foundation.

Sandy has served in Board leadership positions in a number of philanthropic organizations including the Independent Sector; and the Council on Foundations; He was a member of the American Bar Association's Commission on Minorities and he has served as an advisor of the Kellogg Foundation National Fellowship Program. He is a member of Kappa Alpha Psi fraternity and the Boule.

During his two terms as Connecticut State Senator, Sandy's accomplishments included primary sponsorship of legislation creating the State's first Department of Housing, and serving as Chair of the Planning and Development Committee and as a member of the Appropriations and Judiciary Committees.

Sandy is a Hartford native, a graduate Howard University's College of Liberal Arts and the Howard University Law School (cum laude). He holds an M.A. in Religious Studies from Hartford Seminary and numerous honorary degrees including an Honorary Doctorate of Humane Letters from The University of Connecticut and an Honorary Doctor of Social Science from Providence College in recognition of his vast contributions. Sandy has received many awards notably The Spirit of Anne Frank Outstanding Citizen Award from the Anne Frank Center USA for confronting anti-Semitism, racism, prejudice and bias-related violence; the Visionary Award from the George W. Crawford Black Bar Association; The Thurgood Marshall Award from Quinnipiac Law School; and his family earned the Passing of the Torch Award from the Anti-Defamation League for their service to the community.

Sandy and his wife Diane led the formation of The Amistad Center for Art and Culture in 1987. Sandy continues to serve The Amistad Center for Art & Culture as an Honorary Trustee. He and Diane received The President's Award for service to the Center and the broader community.

Sandy and Diane have three children, Adam, Christopher and Robin, all Howard graduates; and five grandchildren, Danielle, Adam, Sydney, Sandy and Scotty.