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Samuel L. Jackson: Tea Party Is Racist

Hollywood actor Samuel L. Jackson (left) has issued his opinion: The Tea Party is racist. In his assessment, he follows other stars of the silver screen such as Morgan Freeman, Jon Hamm, and Janeane Garofalo, as well as a former top executive of National Public Radio and members of the American Political Science Association and the Congressional Black Caucus.



Jackson, who convincingly played a racist in [Lakeview Terrace](#), has now spoken: All tea party members are racists who oppose Obamas policies not because they continue 75 years of globalist lefitsm, but simply because the President is black.

What Jackson Thinks

Jackson commented on the Tea Party after [New York magazine asked him](#) what he thought of the *Washington Posts* [article labeling](#) Rick Perry as a racist. [The Post divulged](#) that Perrys family once held a lease on a hunting lodge whose entrance was adorned with a rock bearing the word N*****head. Perrys father painted over the offensive slur, but that didnt matter to the *Post*, which tracked down a variety of sources whose recollection of the rock and what the Perrys did about it seemed a bit vague.

[Jackson said](#) the story and the offensive rock were par for the course: I grew up in the segregated South; nothing surprised me, he laughed. That's not surprising at all.

Indeed, [Jackson told](#) the magazine that the article will help Perrys chances for election, implying that Tea Party "racists" will now vote for "racist" Perry. The conversation between the reporter and Jackson went thusly:

NY: I guess Herman Cain came out condemning it and he caught a bunch of backlash from other Republicans.

SLJ: Well, that's just what they're going to do. But it's not going to hurt Perry's reputation in a whole lot of places, so it's not a big deal.

NY: You don't think so?

SLJ: He'll be fine.

NY: You don't think he'll be affected by this scandal?

SLJ: No! Are you serious? He's a Republican and this is America.

NY: Can you elaborate?

SLJ: He'll actually gain respect from a lot of people that he didn't have respect from before. He'll be all right.

While we were on the subject, the [magazine continued](#), we asked Jackson if he agreed with fellow



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thespian Morgan Freeman that the Tea Party is racist.

[Jackson replied](#):

Its pretty obvious what they are.

“The division of the country is not about the government having too much power. I think everything right now is geared toward getting that guy out of office, whatever that means,” he said, echoing Freeman. “Its not politics. It is not economics. It all boils down to pretty much to race. It is a shame.

Others in Hollywood

As mentioned above, Jackson isnt the only one in Hollywood who claims something is wrong with the Tea Party. Two weeks ago, [Morgan Freeman told CNNs Piers Morgan](#) that the Tea Party is racist. Morgan asked Freeman whether the election of President Obama had exacerbated or alleviated racial tension.

Made it worse. Made it worse, [Freeman replied](#), adding:

The tea partiers who are controlling the Republican party ... their stated policy, publicly stated, is to do whatever it takes to see to it that Obama only serves one term. What underlines that? Screw the country. We’re going to do whatever we can to get this black man out of here.

The Tea Partys popularity, [Freeman averred](#), really just shows the weak, dark, underside of America. Were supposed to be better than that. We really are.

Additionally, in mid-September there was Jon Hamm, speaking to [Bill Maher](#) on [Real Time](#). Maher wanted Hamms opinion about those who say Obama is out of touch with Americans, noting [Dinesh DSouzas article](#) in *Forbes* which mentioned Obamas father being a Luo tribesman. Hamm, who plays [psychopath Don Draper](#) on AMCs [Mad Men](#), says he has uncovered the Tea Partys hidden plan. That’s what its all sort of couched in, [Hamm noted](#). Thats the secret agenda. When they say [Obama] is a Luo tribesman, its all sort of code.

Another guest agreed, saying the message is that Obama is exotic, and theres something different about him than the rest of us.

Then Hamm spoke again, wondering about the Tea Party wanting to take America back.: “Well, who are ‘we’ taking it back from? I’m pretty sure ... ‘we’ as Americans still have America. I dont know who ‘we’ need to take it back from.”

Speaking on MSNBCs [Countdown](#), hosted by [Keith Olbermann](#), Janeane Garofalo was not so subtle in her assessment of the Tea Party. She simply [called it](#) “a bunch of teabagging rednecks hating a black man in the White House. This is racism straight up.

The Meme

The Tea-Party-is-racist meme is nothing new. Observers note that the media, Congressional Black Caucus, [NAACP](#), [and various leftist academics](#) have been retailing it for some time.

In March, two executives at NPR, including chief executive officer Vivian Schiller, [lost their jobs](#) after [one of them was caught on tape calling](#) the Tea Party scary and seriously racist. The executive who uttered the imprecation, Ron Schiller, also said evangelical Christians are weird.

A few weeks ago, Rep. [Andr Carson](#) (D-Ind.) [flatly stated](#) that his Republican colleagues who are



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sympathetic to the Tea Party wanted to lynch him. Some of these folks in Congress right now would love to see us as second-class citizens, he declared, adding,

Some of them in Congress right now with this tea party movement would love to see you and me ... hanging on a tree. Some of them right now in Congress are comfortable with where we were 50 and 60 years ago but it's a new day with a black President and a Congressional Black Caucus.

Carson is the congressman [who falsely accused](#) Tea Party members gathered outside the Cannon House Office Building on the day the House passed Obamas healthcare reform of spitting and shouting racial epithets at members of the Congressional Black Caucus as they emerged from the building. Carson never offered any substantiation of the incident even after Andrew Breitbart, proprietor of the Big websites, [offered \\$100,000](#) to the United Negro College Fund for proof of such incidents.

Observers note that likewise, neither Jackson, Freeman, Hamm, nor Garofalo has offered proof that the Tea Party is racist.



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