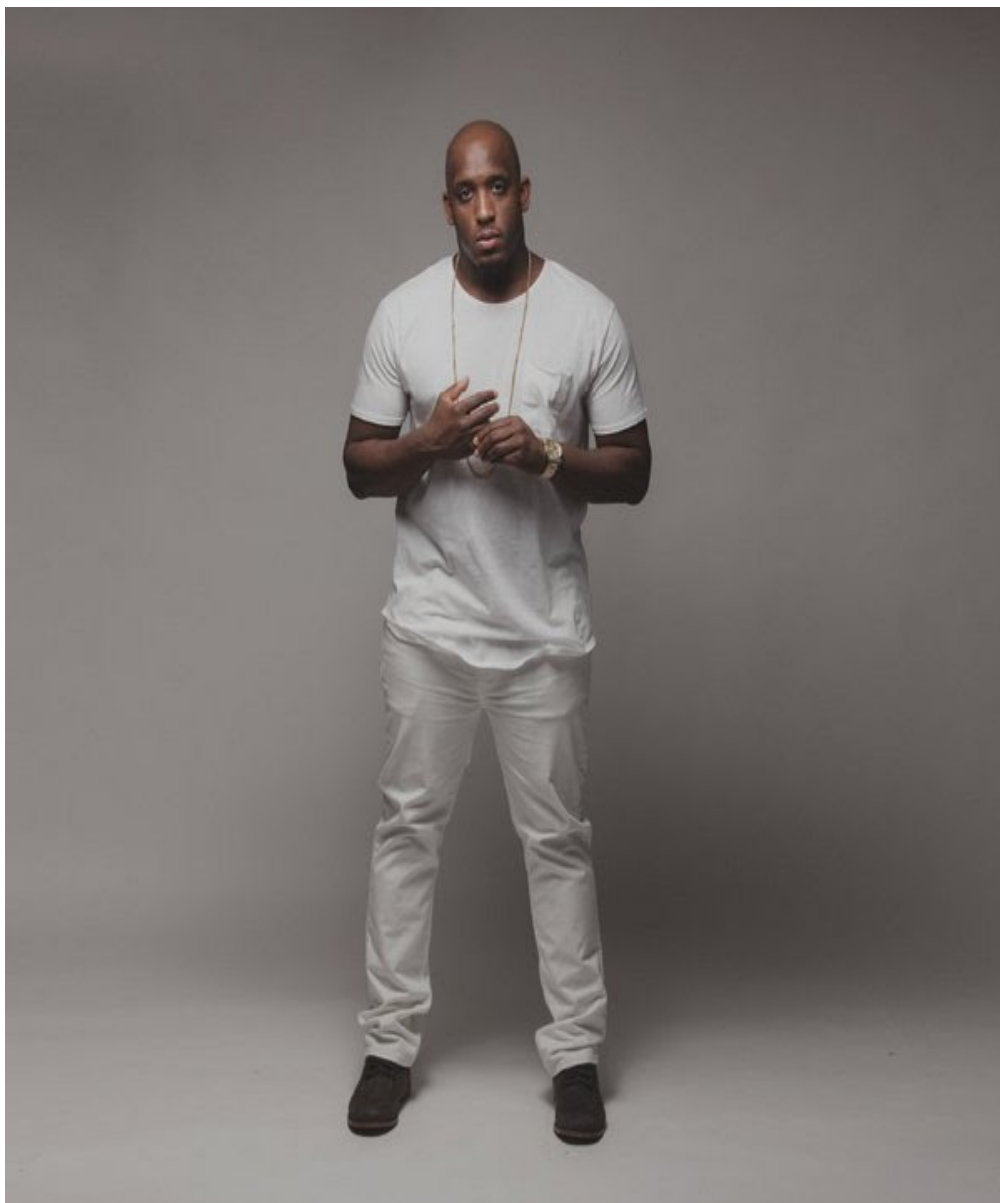


Rapper Derek Minor Signs Record Deal with Entertainment One



Atlanta, GA Singer-songwriter and producer Derek Minor has signed a distribution and label services deal with Entertainment One for his upcoming albumâ€¦ Empire. The new music will be the first released by the popular rapper since he left Reach Records earlier this year. Minorâ€™s most recent project Minorville, charted near the top of several Billboard Music Charts and also earned Stellar and Dove Award

nominations for the CD and single, "Dear Mr. Christian".

A majority of the production chores for Empire are being crafted by uber hot producer Dirty Rice (Lecrae, Trip Lee, 116 Clique). "I am very excited about my new relationship with Entertainment One," says Minor, who also produced the track "Dirty Water," that can be found on the recent number one album, Anomaly by Lecrae. "I feel confident that the team at eOne will provide me with the resources, experience and support that will allow me to reach my full potential as an artist."

"This is the first distribution agreement we have embarked on with an artist such as Derek Minor, says Mike Olsen, President of eOne Music Nashville. "We are excited about this release and look forward to expanding the platform of our label services division within the urban and hip-hop marketplace."

The business minded rapper, who also co-owns a successful Nashville based independent label Reflective Music Group, will support his Empire release as a headliner on the upcoming "Jam the Hype" tour. Derek is also a featured artist on the soundtrack for the upcoming film "Restored Me".