

Frederick D. Cason, MD, FACS
Professor and Vice-Chairman
Chief, Division of Surgical Education
Department of Surgery
Morehouse School of Medicine
Attending Surgeon, Grady Memorial Hospital
Atlanta, Georgia

Medical School alma mater: Saint Louis University School of Medicine, St. Louis, Missouri (1978)
Residency: US Naval Hospital, Oakland, California and University of California @ San Francisco affiliated hospitals (1984)

Dr. Cason joined the faculty of the Morehouse School of Medicine in the Department of Surgery in February, 2014 after working in Kansas City, Missouri where he was attending surgeon in the Saint Luke's Health System and member of the teaching faculty at University of Missouri @ Kansas City School of Medicine for an interim period, having previously served as Surgeon-in-Chief of the Louis Stokes Veterans' Affairs Medical Center in Cleveland, Ohio, one of the busiest federal health care facilities in the United States. At the Louis Stokes VA Medical Center he presided administratively over the surgical service line which included cardiac, orthopedic, plastic, urologic, general, ENT, GYN, ophthalmologic, and podiatric surgery, the surgical intensive care unit, and the operating room. His leadership role at the Cleveland VA Medical Center included his faculty appointment as a Vice-Chairman (Veterans' Affairs) in the Department of Surgery at Case Western Reserve University School of Medicine. He was an active participant in the surgical residency training program and was a member of the Resident Education Committee. He previously served as General Surgery Residency Program Director at University of Toledo Medical Center and as Surgery Clerkship Director at the Huntsville Campus of the University of Alabama @ Birmingham School of Medicine. He has significant experience in surgical education, the training of surgical residents, and the mentorship of students interested in careers in surgery which brought him to one of the nation's most prestigious historically black institutions at this stage of his professional and academic career. He oversees a new Division of Surgical Education in the Department of Surgery at Morehouse School of Medicine which includes both the Surgical Residency Program and the Student Clerkship. Dr. Cason was the first career black academic surgeon born in the state of Missouri. He brought to Morehouse School of Medicine a unique experience in private and military surgery prior to and during his sustained career in academic surgery. He served for over a decade as a surgeon in the United States Navy and worked earlier in his career in both solo and group general surgery practice. His primary clinical interest is in foregut surgery and GI surgical oncology.