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George R. Johnson, Jr. became Dean of Elon University School of Law in Greensboro, North Carolina, on February 1, 2009, after serving as Interim Dean from August 1, 2008. Before that he had been Associate Dean for Academic Affairs & Professor at Elon. In 2008, Elon's President Leo Lambert appointed him to serve as Chairman of the Elon University Leadership Task Force.

Immediately prior to joining the law faculty at Elon University, he was a principal in a Washington, DC, law and consulting firm. He also has been a senior consultant with Academic Search Consultation Service in Washington, DC, the nation's oldest and largest executive search firm dedicated to assisting colleges and universities in searches for their presidents, chancellors, and senior administrators. Johnson also served six years as President of LeMoyne-Owen College in Memphis, TN. Before assuming the presidency at LeMoyne-Owen College, he was Associate Dean for Academic Affairs & Professor, School of Law, at Howard University. Before going to Howard, he had been a professor in the School of Law, at George Mason University in Virginia, Assistant General Counsel in the Executive Office of the President of the United States, and Assistant Counsel to the Committee on Banking, Finance & Urban Affairs in the United States House of Representatives.

Johnson also has served on the board of trustees/directors of Amherst College, where he served on the Audit Committee; the United Negro College Fund, the Council of Independent Colleges, the Amistad Research Center, the Economic Club of Memphis, and Universal Life Insurance Company. In addition, he has been a board member of several other nonprofit organizations, including the Memphis Arts Council, WKNO Public Broadcasting Companies, the Memphis Zoological Society, the Memphis Redbirds Foundation, and Soulsville USA, the parent organization of the STAX Museum and Academy. He received his baccalaureate degree, cum laude, from Amherst College, and his law degree from Columbia University. He is a member of the District of Columbia Bar and a member of the American Bar Association. He also is a Fellow of the American Bar Association.