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“I believe surgeons need to fulfill their professional responsibilities to society, which include excellent patient outcomes, wise resource allocation, and effective self-regulation.”

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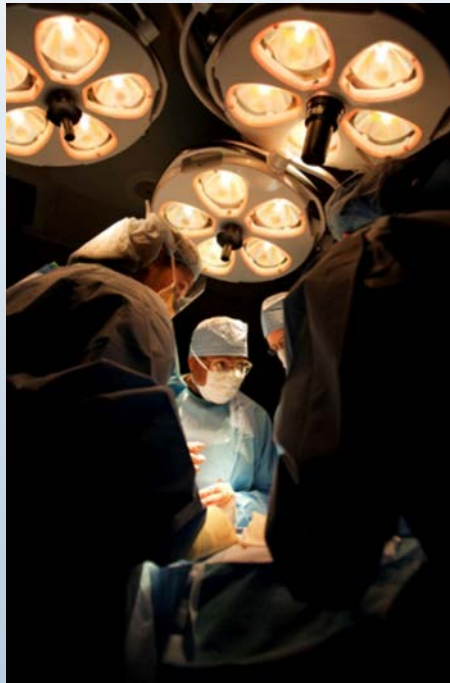
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Dr. Britt is a general and acute care surgeon, professor of surgery, and chair of the Department of Surgery at Eastern Virginia Medical School, Norfolk, Virginia. Dr. Britt, a member of the National Academy of Medicine, is a leader in American surgery and has received numerous awards for his outstanding contributions to medical education, including the Robert J. Glaser Distinguished Educator Award, the highest teaching award in medicine given by the Association of American Medical Colleges.



“Whether we consider ourselves members of the ‘House of Surgery’ or citizens of the ‘Village of Surgery’ where there are housing neighborhoods, we have an unbreakable contract with society to provide optimal care for the surgical patient.”

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 is an internationally recognized educator and leading general and acute care surgeon.



Dr. Britt is the first African-American in the nation to have an endowed chair in surgery. He is the Executive Director of the Society of Black Academic Surgeons. Dr. Britt has held leadership positions in many organizations, including being a Director of the American Board of Surgery, a past chair of the Board of Regents of the American College of Surgeons and past President of the American College of Surgeons. He has also been President of the Southern Surgical Association, Southeastern Surgical Congress, American Association for the Surgery of Trauma, Halsted Society, Society of Surgical Chairs, and others.

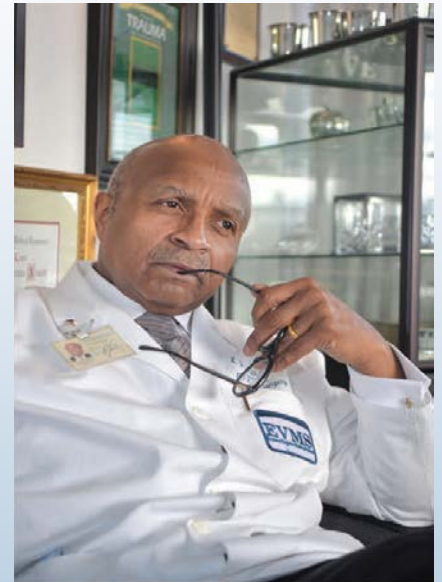
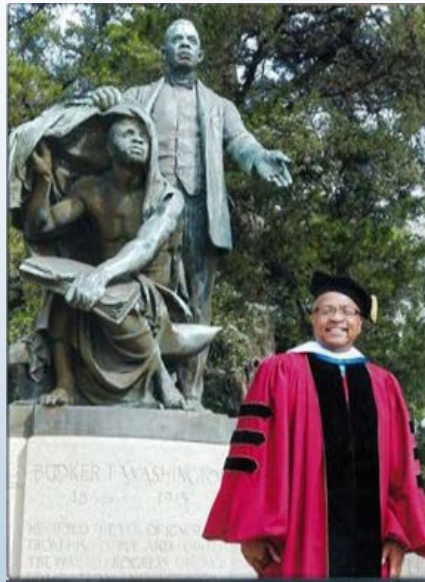
Dr. Britt is a graduate of both Harvard Medical School and Harvard School of Public Health. He completed his surgical residency at University Hospital and Cook County Hospital at the University of Illinois School of Medicine, and his fellowship training at the Maryland Institute for Emergency Medical Services, University of Maryland, Baltimore, and Washington University School of Medicine, St. Louis.



Dr. Britt was awarded the U.S. Surgeon General's medallion for his outstanding achievements in medicine. The Honorable Regina Benjamin, MD, the 18th U.S. Surgeon General, presented this award at a formal ceremony. Dr. Britt was also appointed to the Robert Wood Johnson Clinical Scholar Program National Advisory Committee. The National Library of Medicine of the National Institutes of Medicine (in collaboration with the Reginald F. Lewis Museum of Maryland African American History and Culture) featured Dr. Britt for his contributions to academic surgery. President George W. Bush recognized Dr. Britt's leadership role in medicine and nominated him to the Board of Regents of the Uniformed Services University, Bethesda, MD, and his nomination was confirmed by the United States Senate. At the end of his tenure, Dr. Britt was awarded the Distinguished Service Medal.



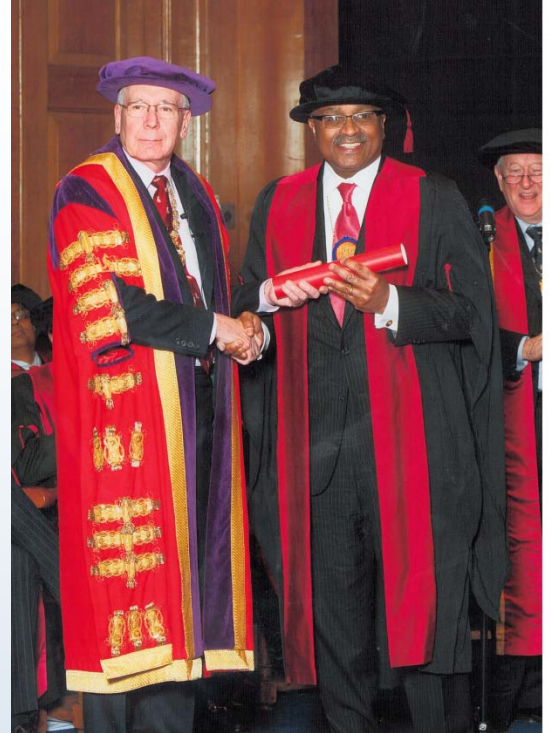
Dr. Britt is a proud native of Suffolk, Virginia where he was the valedictorian of Booker T. Washington High School. He received a B.A. degree (with distinction) from the University of Virginia and was a member of the coveted Raven Society. Dr. Britt has been conferred honorary doctorates by three universities (Norfolk State University, Tuskegee University, and Howard University).



Dr. L.D. Britt is the author of more than 220 peer-reviewed scientific publications. In addition, he has more than 60 chapters/non-peer-reviewed articles, and 3 books, including a recent edition of the highly touted *Acute Care Surgery* (Lippincott, Williams & Wilkins, Medford, NJ). He serves on numerous editorial boards, including the *Annals of Surgery*, *Journal of the American College of Surgeons* (Deputy Editor), *American Journal of Surgery* (Associate Editor), *JAMA Surgery*, *Shock*, *Journal of Trauma and Acute Care Surgery*, *World Journal of Surgery*, and others. In addition, he is a reviewer for the *New England Journal of Medicine*.

An active participant in the community, Dr. Britt has received numerous awards for public service, including recently being honored with the Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Community Service Award and the Colgate Darden Scouter Citizen of the Year Award. Atlanta Post recently highlighted him as one of the “The Top 21 Black Doctors in America.” Ebony magazine listed him as one of the most influential African Americans in the nation. Having recently been awarded an Honorary Fellowship in the Royal College of Surgeons of Glasgow, Dr. Britt now has the rare distinction of receiving the highest honor given by each of the four Royal Colleges in the United Kingdom – England, Edinburgh, Ireland, and Glasgow.

During the 2011 Clinical Congress held in Senegal, Dr. Britt was bestowed an Honorary Fellowship in the West African College of Surgeons. At the 2012 annual meeting of the American Surgical Association, Dr. Britt was installed as president of the organization. He was recently elected to the position of Commissioner of the Joint Commission (formerly JACHO).

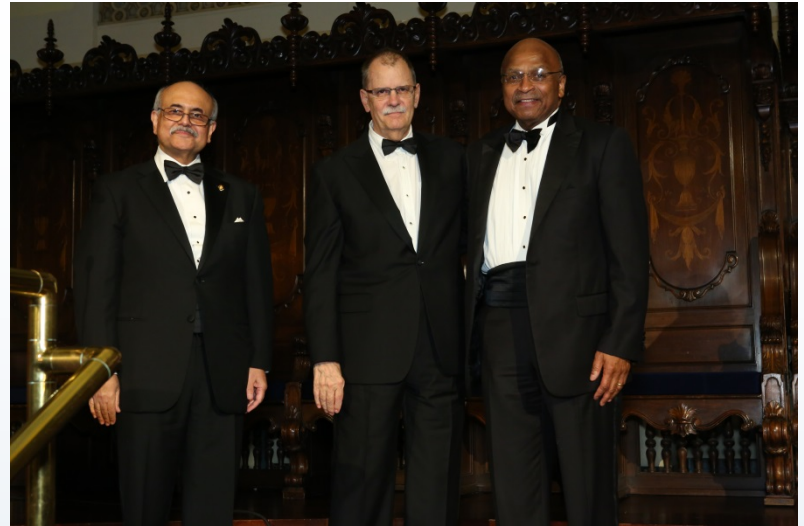
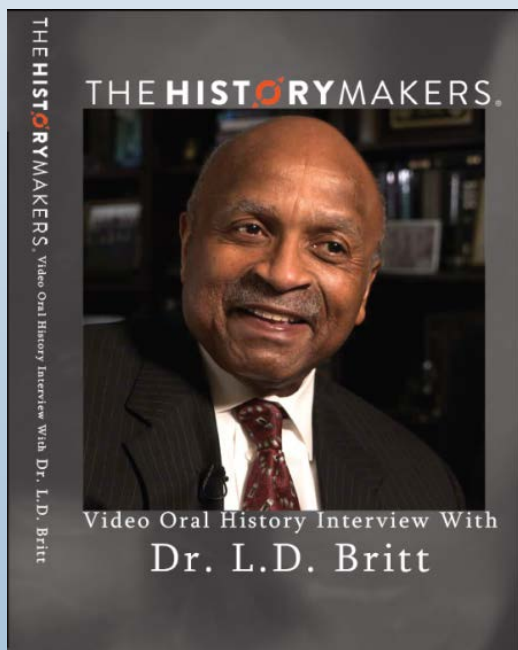


In 2012, Dr. Britt was conferred an Honorary Fellowship in the French Academy of Surgery and the Colleges of Medicine of South Africa. Dr. Britt, author of the term “Acute Care Surgery” and one of the principal architects of this emerging specialty, was the 2013 recipient of the prestigious Roswell Park Medal. He was honored for his major contributions to American surgery. At the 2015 annual meeting of the Society of Critical Care Medicine, Dr. Britt was bestowed the coveted title of “Master of Critical Care Medicine” (MCCM) by the American College of Critical Care Medicine.

In 2015, Virginia Governor Terry McAuliffe appointed Dr. Britt to the Board of Visitors of the University of Virginia. Also, the Southern Surgical Association awarded Dr. Britt the organization’s highest honor – Honorary Fellowship – at its 2015 annual meeting.

In the spring of 2016, Dr. Britt was awarded the Urban League of Hampton Roads Professor Marian Capps Memorial Award for his accomplishments in community service through education. At the 148th commencement at Howard University Dr. Britt was conferred an honorary doctorate (Doctor of Science). His co-honorees included President Barack Obama, activist and award-winning actor Cicely Tyson, and Ambassador Dawson. The summer of 2016 serendipitously, Dr. Britt conducted his 200th visiting professorship at Cook County Hospital in Chicago, IL (where Dr. Britt completed his residency training). He was the inaugural John A. Barrett, M.D. lecturer that kicked off the 50th anniversary celebration for Cook County Hospital Trauma Unit.

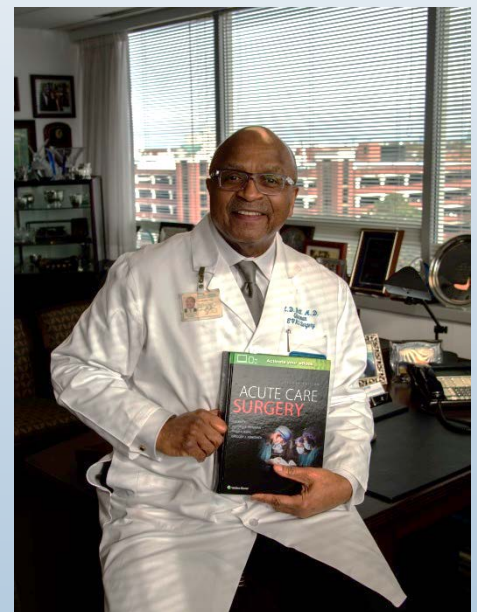
Effective October 1, 2016, he was elected to the National Academy of Medicine (formerly the Institute of Medicine). He is the first and only faculty member from his institution to receive this distinction – considered one of the highest honors in the field of health and medicine.



In 2017, Dr. Britt was awarded, as the Principal Investigator (PI), a multimillion dollar NIH-R01 research grant (1 R01 MD011695-01). He was also recently awarded, as the Co-Investigator (CO-I) of another multimillion dollar NIH-R01 research grant (1 R01 MD011685-01).

Most recently, Dr. Britt was inducted, as a founding member, into the Academy of Master Surgeons Educators of the American College of Surgeons. Also, his video oral history (*The History Makers*) was placed in the archives of the Library of Congress.

As the senior editor, Dr. Britt also unveiled the new edition of the textbook, *Acute Care Surgery*.



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