

## George Edward Battle III

George Edward Battle III became the district's general counsel in June 2010, joining CMS after 11 years with Carolinas Healthcare System.

Battle served Carolinas Healthcare as associate general counsel, corporate counsel and associate corporate counsel. He was also lead counsel for Cleveland County Health Care System and the Carolinas College of Health Sciences and lead counsel to (and a member of) the Carolinas Healthcare System Administrative Policy Committee.

"As a parent and a native of this area, I am very aware of how important education is to our future," Battle said. "It is very gratifying to have an opportunity to be part of our public schools."

He is a member of the North Carolina and Mecklenburg County bar associations and is on the board of directors for the Mecklenburg County Bar Foundation. He has also served on the North Carolina State Board of Community Colleges, as well as on the board of trustees and the chancellor search committee for the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. He was named a 2009 North Carolina Rising Star by *North Carolina Super Lawyer* magazine.

A native of Charlotte, he graduated from West Charlotte High School. He graduated from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, where he was student body president, and the UNC School of Law.

Battle and his wife, Renita, have a four-year-old daughter.