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Howard W. Grant, Ph.D. is the Vice President of Governmental and External Affairs for the Atlanta Housing Authority where he manages local partnerships and relationships with governmental and other local stakeholders around affordable housing and community development. In his previous role, he served as the Executive Director of the Atlanta Board of Education. In that role, he worked to ensure that the Board and the school system's mission, programs and policies were cohesively presented in a positive manner to the community, parents, students and all external partners and stakeholders.

Dr. Grant is a scholar-practitioner in the field of urban policy, environmental justice, and board governance. He has provided leadership training to immigrant and refugee communities throughout metro Atlanta, and as a faculty member at Atlanta Metropolitan College for over ten years, he taught American government and comparative politics. For close to a decade he has taught at Clark Atlanta University in the Department of Political Science where he leads the urban politics, government relations and public policy concentrations. In his work with the Atlanta Regional Commission, Dr. Grant developed civic and environmental justice strategies that focused on intergovernmental cooperation and equity in metro Atlanta governmental planning processes.

Dr. Grant is a graduate of Morehouse College where he majored in Political Science. He went on to earn his Masters and Doctorate degrees from Clark Atlanta University, and holds life memberships in the alumni associations of both institutions. His professional and academic specialization are governmental and community affairs, international relations, urban planning and public administration. His emphasis has been ensuring equity in the public planning processes that impacts all areas of our quality of life.

Dr. Grant currently serves on the Board of Directors of the Fulton Atlanta Community Action Authority as Chairman. In 2014, he joined the board of the Urban League of Metropolitan Atlanta. Dr. Grant is also a member of the 100 Black Men of Atlanta, Inc., where he served as a board member for three consecutive terms, and currently serves as the Chair of Programs. He is also founding member of the Atlanta Regional Commission Environmental Equity Advisory Group, and a former board member of the Atlanta Victims Assistance, Inc.

Dr. Grant has been affiliated with the Atlanta Black/Jewish Coalition, The Community Foundation for Greater Atlanta, The Regional Leadership Institute, The United Negro College Fund Special Programs, and the Atlanta League of Women Voters (Vice President of Programs). He was also named one of the *Atlanta Business Chronicle's* "40 under 40 Up & Comers", in addition to receiving the Concerned Black Clergy "Education Award Celebrating Black Fathers". He is a fellow of the Charles Kettering Foundation, the Diversity Leadership Academy of Atlanta, and member of Leadership Atlanta – Class of 2006.

Dr. Grant is a native of Brooklyn, New York, and a proud member of The Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Inc.