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Dr. John Thompson is Assistant Professor at the Wilmer Institute of the Johns Hopkins University, Associate Clinical Professor at the University of Maryland, and a Partner in Retina Specialists in Baltimore. He received his medical degree from Johns Hopkins University School of Medicine in 1980 followed by an ophthalmology residency and retina fellowship at the Wilmer Institute. He was assistant chief of Service at Wilmer in 1986 before going to the Yale University Department of Ophthalmology and Visual Science where he was the director of the Retina Section and Associate Professor. He returned to Baltimore in 1991 in private practice.

Dr. Thompson has served The American Academy of Ophthalmology in several areas. He has been director of Retina Subspecialty Day in 2007, chair of the Annual Meeting Program Subcommittee for Retina, Vitreous, Uveitis, and Intraocular Inflammation from 2010–2013, and councilor representing Maryland from 2009– 2014. He received the American Academy of Ophthalmology Life Achievement Honor Award in 2009 and Secretariat Awards in 2014 and 2019. Dr. Thompson has been an examiner for the American Board of Ophthalmology since 2001 and became an advisor to the AMA Relative Value System Update Committee (RUC) representing ASRS in 2013. He was president of the Maryland Society of Eye Physicians and Surgeons from 2003–2004, president of the Baltimore City Medical Society in 2008, president of the American Society of Retina Specialists from 2012-2014 and president of The Foundation of the American Society of Retina Specialists from 2014 - 2016. He became Chair of the Council on Health Policy at ASRS in 2016. Dr. Thompson has been a co-author on more than 120 papers in peer-review journals and book chapters with a focus on vitreoretinal surgery. He is a member of the Editorial Boards of Retina, Ophthalmology, Ophthalmology Retina and Associate Editor of The Journal of Vitreoretinal Diseases