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Melissa (“Missye”) Selman Scott serves as General Counsel of the Mississippi Bar. As General Counsel she is responsible for interpreting the ethics rules for lawyers, prosecuting lawyer discipline cases, and serving as in-house counsel to the officers and commissioners of the organization. Prior to assuming the role of General Counsel in 2025, she served as Deputy General Counsel for 13 years. She is the immediate President of the National Organization of Bar Counsel (NOBC), the professional organization for disciplinary counsel throughout the United States, Canada, and the United Kingdom. She has presented nationally and internationally on topics of professional responsibility.



Missye was in private practice before joining the Office of General Counsel. Her practice focused on civil litigation, commercial real estate transactions and appeal work. She is licensed in the state and federal courts of Mississippi and Tennessee, the United States Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit, and the United States Supreme Court. She is an honor graduate of the University of Mississippi and the University of Mississippi School of Law.