



THE MISSISSIPPI BAR

Diversity Statement

as Adopted by the Board of Commissioners

The Mississippi Bar is committed to fostering diversity in the legal profession. We recognize that a diverse group of talented legal professionals is critically important to the success of every law firm, corporate or government law department, law school, public service organization and every other organization that includes attorneys. The myriad of backgrounds within our membership reflects the diversity of our community, and we value the unique viewpoints of all members. We endeavor to be an environment in which no member will be advantaged or disadvantaged because of race, color, gender, national origin, religion, age, disability, familial status or any other real or perceived differences. This emphasis on diversity allows us to offer varied perspectives, interests, and experiences to both the practice of law and the administration of justice. We continue to engage in an intentional effort to advance diversity and inclusion within our leadership, membership, programmatic agenda and community endeavors. We are confident that these efforts will strengthen the effectiveness of the programs and services offered by the Mississippi Bar and will allow all members to participate equally and fully in our profession.