

## Greta Bassett-Seymour, General Counsel

I joined MPERS in April of 2014, after 12 years in private practice. For the last nine years, I owned my own practice, and managed 30 employees. My legal experience, while professionally specialized in the area of Social Security disability, is varied by way of managing a business. Not only do I bring solid legal skills to my position as General Counsel, I also understand many aspects of running a small business, and am able to offer insight and opinions on everything from human resources to information technology to planning and implementing a paperless work environment.

During my tenure in the field of Social Security disability, I appeared before hundreds of Administrative Law Judges representing claimants in their hearings for Social Security disability benefits. In twelve years, I assisted, both directly and indirectly as part of the legal team at my firm, thousands of clients in the successful pursuit of their Social Security and Medicare benefits.

I am licensed to practice law in Missouri, and am a member of the National Association of Public Pension Attorneys (NAPPA). I have my Juris Doctor from the University of Missouri-Columbia School of Law (2001) and a B.A. in German from DePauw University (1994). I also obtained a teaching certificate in secondary education (German and English) and taught school prior to attending law school.