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BMSS Advisors & CPAs Member, Jan Lewis, CPA, CGMA Elected Vice Chair of the AICPA

BMSS Advisors & CPAs is proud to announce that longtime Member, Jan Lewis, CPA, CGMA has been elected as Vice Chair of the Board of Directors of the American Institute of CPAs (AICPA). After serving as Vice Chair in 2025 she will stand for election as the 113th Chair of the AICPA in 2026.

The AICPA is the national professional organization of Certified Public Accountants in the United States, with more than 428,000 members in 130 countries. Jan has a long record of volunteer service and leadership in the AICPA, advocating for the profession, the public, the firm, and for clients. She has served on the AICPA Life Insurance and Disability Plans Committee and was previously a member and chair of both the AICPA's Tax Practice and Procedures Committee and the AICPA's Tax Executive Committee. She has been a Member of the AICPA Board of Directors since 2023. Jan also served the Mississippi Society of CPAs (MSCPA) as its president from 2008 to 2009, and she has held leadership roles in various MSCPA committees and in its Central Chapter.



Jan's election as Vice Chair is a huge success not only for BMSS but for the accounting profession in the state of Mississippi. As the first-ever Vice Chair from the state of Mississippi, Jan will serve with integrity and excellence on a global stage during her term.

"Jan's election as Vice Chair of the AICPA is a testament to her exceptional leadership and dedication to the profession," said Mike Gladney, executive committee and senior Member of the Ridgeland office. "We are incredibly proud to have her representing both BMSS and the state of Mississippi."

Jan is a valued Member of BMSS, having joined the Ridgeland office's former firm, Haddox Reid, in 1987. As a tax Member of the firm, Jan's responsibilities include income and estate tax planning, research and compliance for individual and business clients. Her areas of practice include healthcare, oil & gas, construction, real estate and more.

BMSS thanks Jan for her years of inimitable and unwavering service to her clients and to the accounting profession.

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BMSS Advisors & CPAs was established in 1991 with the vision of creating a CPA firm that would provide peace of mind for its clients while sustaining a healthy, happy culture for its employees. As this dream has been realized, BMSS has grown to become one of the Southeast's top advisory and accounting firms, now with seven offices throughout Alabama and Mississippi.

The CPA firm specializes in several industries, including (but not limited to) manufacturing, wholesale distribution, construction, technology, nonprofit, and government contracting. In addition to tax planning, compliance and assurance services, the firm boasts a robust business advisory practice area which includes transaction advisory, valuation, client accounting solutions, and CFO advisory services. BMSS also specializes in state and local tax, estate planning and employee benefit plan audits.

Over the years, BMSS has continually grown to serve clients by expanding services, deepening areas of expertise, and equipping its people with the skills and knowledge necessary to take the best possible care of each client. The firm's leadership has spent a great deal of time thinking through clients' pain points and how BMSS can help them where needed the most. This has resulted in the creation of the BMSS Family of Companies to meet clients' data, technology, payroll and financial planning and wealth management needs:

[Abacus Technologies](#) provides cybersecurity, managed IT services, and business intelligence; all tailored to help companies overcome the challenges of the digital landscape and reach their full potential.

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