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Melissa was recognized in *The Best Lawyers in America*® Ones to Watch for her work in Banking and Finance Law and Transportation Law in 2024 and 2025. She was also named as a Washington D.C. Rising Star by *Super Lawyers* from 2022-2024.

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Melissa received her law degree from *George Washington University Law School* in 2014, and a Bachelor of Arts degree in International Studies and Political Science in 2009 from the *University of North Carolina* at Chapel Hill. Prior to joining Gibson Dunn, Melissa was a member of the Global Transportation Finance team at Vedder Price P.C.

Capabilities

Transportation and Space
Capital Markets
Finance
Financial Institutions
Investment Funds
Mergers and Acquisitions
Private Equity

Credentials

Education

George Washington University - 2014 Juris Doctor
University of North Carolina - 2009 Bachelor of Arts

Admissions

District of Columbia Bar
Virginia Bar

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