Sharon H. Cott
Biography in Brief

Sharon H. Cott is Senior Vice President, Secretary and General Counsel of The Metropolitan Museum of Art, responsible for overseeing the legal affairs of the Museum, corporate governance, art acquisitions, risk management, and the Archives of the Museum. Ms. Cott is also the Secretary to the Board of Trustees and responsible for management of Board activities.

The Museum has a collection of more than two million works of art, a total budget of over $250 million per year and a staff of over 2,500 employees. Ms. Cott has been Secretary to the Board of Trustees and General Counsel since 1992, and supervises a staff of five attorneys. She joined the Museum in 1988. Previously, she was an associate at Patterson, Belknap, Webb & Tyler in the tax, trust and estates and corporate departments, with an emphasis on non-profit organizations. Ms. Cott is a graduate of Yale Law School and the University of Virginia.