

LCLD Fellows Program Leadership Lunch: Allstate Insurance Company & DLA Piper US LLP

Wednesday, August 8, 2018 | 12:00 pm CT | DLA Piper | Chicago, IL

Speakers:

Stasia Kelly, Managing Partner (Americas), DLA Piper; Secretary, LCLD Board of Directors
Susie Lees, Executive Vice President and General Counsel, Allstate Insurance Company

Agenda:

12:00 - 12:30 pm	Fellows Networking
12:30 - 12:45 pm	Introductions
12:45 - 2:00 pm	Discussion and Q&A



STASIA KELLY has extensive experience as both outside counsel and as a general counsel and brings these perspectives to her practice, working closely with boards of directors, general counsel, and in-house legal teams, helping clients design and implement effective governance and compliance programs. Kelly also advises boards and executives on crisis management.

Kelly is the Managing Partner (Americas) of DLA Piper and co-chairs the Global Governance and Compliance practice. She is also a member of the firm's Global Board and Executive Committee.

Firmly committed to helping advance women at DLA Piper, Kelly is a mentor to a number of the women lawyers and is on the leadership committee of the firm's Leadership Alliance for Women (LAW), which is committed to the hiring, development, and advancement of women lawyers.

Kelly sits on the Board of Directors of two public companies. At Owens-Illinois, the world's largest manufacturer of glass packaging, she chairs the Risk Committee and is a member of the Governance and Nominating Committee. At Huntington-Ingalls Industries, which designs, builds, and maintains nuclear and non-nuclear ships for the US Navy and Coast Guard, Kelly chairs the Governance and Policy Committee.

Kelly has been honored with many awards that underscore her contributions to the legal profession. In 2014, the ABA Commission on Women in the Profession honored Kelly with the prestigious Margaret Brent Women Lawyers of Achievement Award for her many career successes and her extensive involvement in assisting other women to succeed in the field of law. Also in 2014, the *National Law Journal* named Kelly to its list of "Trailblazers & Pioneers," recognizing the top 50 legal professionals in the areas of governance, risk, and compliance. The NLJ particularly cited Kelly's 15-year career as a general counsel, during which she developed governance and compliance teams for four leading public companies, and noted her leading role in launching DLA Piper's Global Governance and Compliance practice.

And *Lawdragon* magazine named Kelly to its 2014 *Lawdragon* 500, noting that "with 15 years under

her belt as a general counsel for four different public companies, Kelly now chairs DLA Piper’s esteemed governance practice, while also co-running the megafirm’s US operations.”

Each year, *Inside Counsel* presents the Anastasia D. Kelly Transformative Leadership Award to a general counsel who has sustained a commitment to accelerate the ascendancy of women lawyers to senior leadership roles in the law department and beyond. In 2015, Kelly was named one of the Washington, D.C. *Super Lawyers*.

Kelly is a frequent speaker at conferences and events around the world and has previously co-taught “The Role of the Modern General Counsel” course at Stanford Law School. Kelly sits on the board of the Washington Lawyers Committee, the George Washington University Cardiovascular Institute, and the George Washington University Law School’s Center for Business and Finance Law Board. She is past chair of Equal Justice Works and has been a director of Trinity University in Washington, D.C.

She is a member of the Texas and Washington, D.C. bar associations and is a member of the Fellows of the ABA Foundation.

Kelly received her undergraduate degree in English, *cum laude*, from Trinity University and her law degree, *magna cum laude*, from George Washington University Law School, where she was a member of the Order of the Coif and the *George Washington University Law Review*.

Kelly is a member of DLA Piper’s North American Pro Bono Committee.



SUSIE LEES is Executive Vice President, General Counsel, and Secretary of the Allstate Corporation. She leads Allstate’s 1,600-person legal team to guide the company’s business strategy, ensure sound compliance, and foster a healthy legal, legislative and regulatory environment, all grounded in a culture of social responsibility. Lees joined Allstate in 1988 progressively holding leadership positions with increasing responsibility, including her previous role as senior vice president and deputy general counsel for Allstate Financial. During her extensive tenure at Allstate, Lees led a multitude of complex initiatives, including major acquisitions. While leading the corporate law division of Allstate’s law and regulation department, she gained deep experience working with business areas across the broader corporation. Earlier in her career, Lees built a foundation of business acumen through professional sales roles at Celanese Corp. and Exxon Chemical.

She has been a champion of solutions to key societal issues and serves on The Allstate Foundation Board of Trustees. Lees also serves on the boards of the National Network to End Domestic Violence, the National Association of Women Lawyers, Rand Institute for Civil Justice, the Institute for Legal Reform, and the Children’s Hospital of Chicago Medical Center / Ann & Robert H. Lurie Children’s Hospital of Chicago. Lees is past-president of the Board of Directors for the Riverside Foundation, a nonprofit organization offering life-enrichment opportunities to adults with developmental disabilities, and she is a former member of the Board of Directors for the Association of Life Insurance Counsel. She believes deeply in the importance of giving back and encourages all team members to engage with their local communities.

Lees holds an A.B. degree in political science from Brown University and a J.D. from the University of Oklahoma College of Law.