Kristine Lucius has worked in all three branches of the Federal government with the majority of her time spent in the U.S. Senate. In 2015, she was named by the *National Journal* as one of the 20 Most Powerful Women Staffers on Capitol Hill.

Kristine worked for more than 14 years advising Senators and their staff on the Judiciary Committee. As then-Chairman Leahy's top legal and policy advisor, she was responsible for developing the Committee's legislative, nominations and oversight agendas. Kristine is skilled at forming effective bipartisan coalitions to get a wide range of legislation signed into law. Among those successful efforts were the Violence Against Women Reauthorization Act, the Matthew Shepard and James Byrd Jr. Hate Crimes Prevention Act, the Bulletproof Vest Partnership Act, the Fannie Lou Hamer and Coretta Scott King Voting Rights Reauthorization Act, the FOIA Improvement Act, the SPEECH Act, the Leahy-Smith America Invents Act, the USA FREEDOM Act, the Promoting Travel, Commerce, and National Security Act, and the Justice for All Act. She also worked tirelessly on Senate consideration of many other complex legislative issues including comprehensive immigration reform, online privacy, cyber security, criminal justice reform, civil justice reform, bankruptcy, antitrust and prescription drug pricing.

Kristine led a team of lawyers preparing Senators for the consideration of six nominees to the Supreme Court, hundreds of lower court nominees and five Attorneys General. She coordinated all aspects of countless high profile confirmation hearings and Executive business meetings. And she interacted and negotiated with the judicial branch and the executive branch on a wide variety of legislation, nominations and oversight matters.

Kristine has experience recruiting and managing a diverse staff of lawyers and administrative personnel. She has administered a committee budget of millions of dollars and as part of the Judiciary Committee's authorization powers, she has engaged in the oversight of numerous grant programs administered by the U.S. Department of Justice, the U.S. Department of Homeland Security and the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services. These grant programs ranged from juvenile justice grants to opioid treatment programs to foreign investor visa programs.

Prior to her work on the Senate Judiciary Committee, Kristine worked in private practice, clerked for a federal trial court judge and an appellate federal judge and performed legal research at the U.S. Department of Justice. Before attending Georgetown University Law School, her first job in Washington was as an intern to then-Chief Justice William Rehnquist.

## **Speaking engagements**

Keynote speaker at the Wisconsin Law Review symposium on *Modern Federal Judicial Selection*; October 2016

Panelist at the American Constitution Society, Cleveland Marshall Law School, *A Year Without a Justice*; October 2016

Panelist at the Federal Bar Association's Women in the Law, *Progressing in the Public Sector*; June 2015

Panelist at the Federal Bar Association event on Judicial Nominations; March 2007