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Kathi joined the Legal Affairs office of The Pew Charitable Trusts (Pew) in 2012 and is responsible for overseeing the provision of legal assistance to all program areas across Pew and to its government relations functions. This broad range of work includes such legal issue areas as lobbying compliance, government ethics, intellectual property, data privacy, anti-corruption, prepublication review, anti-trust, nonprofit governance and risk management. Immediately prior to joining Pew, Kathi was Senior Counsel for the American Association of University Professors. During her 25 plus year legal career, she has worked for several national non-profit organizations as well as the U.S. District Court for the District of Columbia. She served these organizations in a variety of positions, including staff attorney, lobbyist, court investigator, legal director and in-house counsel. Kathi is an active member of the Washington, DC region chapter of the Association of Corporate Counsel (ACC-NCR), co-chairing the chapter's pro bono committee, and is also secretary of the board of trustees for the Council of Criminal Justice (CCJ).

Kathi graduated from the University at Buffalo School of Law with a Juris Doctorate in 1994, obtained her Bachelor of Science degree from the Rochester Institute of Technology in 1991 and received a Masters of Arts in Liberal Studies degree with a concentration in Ethics in the Professions from Georgetown University in 2015. She is a member of the New York State Bar, the District of Columbia Bar and the United States Supreme Court Bar.