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INDIANA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Kate Shelby Chief Legal Counsel / Deputy Commissioner



Kate Shelby joined INDOT as Chief Legal Counsel and Deputy Commissioner in June 2022.

Kate is responsible for the day-to-day operations of INDOT's Litigation, Legal Services, Policy, Prequalification, Audit, and Contract Administration business units.

She also manages INDOT's Information Technology unit, leading its evolution into an IT department housing traditional IT, GIS, and Data Science and Architecture, and a new Digital Transformation department, which is charged with working with program leaders to improve agency data and technology services.

Before joining INDOT, Kate served as the first General Counsel for a tech and data consulting firm that serves government and private industry. Her work to build a legal team, mature contracting and procurement processes, implement an enterprise contract and legal matter management solution, and guide the company through significant regulatory issues earned her recognition from the international Association of Corporate Counsel as one of the 2022 Top 10 In-House Counsel in Their 30s.

Kate also managed a \$15 billion contract portfolio for Eli Lilly & Company and has worked as a corporate litigator.

Her government experience includes serving as the Indiana Department of Workforce Development's Chief Operating Officer for Workforce Programs and Unemployment Insurance, where she led teams to implement key pieces of the Governor's Next Level Jobs initiative and enterprise-wide unemployment insurance fraud and operations improvements, which led to the United States Department of Labor recognizing Indiana for its program integrity leadership.

Kate has worked as a major felony Deputy Prosecutor in Marion County and a Deputy Attorney General in the Civil Litigation Division at the Office of the Indiana Attorney General from 2010 through 2014.

She and her husband, Doug, are Purdue University graduates and have two children. In her free time, Kate enjoys volunteering in Brownsburg as a recreational soccer coach and with various community organizations, hiking, and painting with acrylics.

