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Top Skills

Legal

Legislative Affairs

Consumer Protection

Mary Beth Schultz

U.S. Department of Agriculture

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Summary

Mary Beth Schultz is a senior attorney with experience in all three branches of government. She has extensive experience on legislative issues, agency operations, public policy, navigating the Senate confirmation process, congressional oversight, and litigation.

She currently serves as Deputy General Counsel at the U.S. Department of Agriculture. She previously served as the Chief Counsel to the Senate Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry Committee and Chief Counsel for the Senate Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee. She played a lead role in managing legal issues in and drafting the 2018 Farm Bill and in multiple homeland security bills, including on cybersecurity and emergency preparedness and response. She has spearheaded numerous investigations and other oversight activities and vetted numerous nominations to Senate confirmed positions.

Mary Beth also served as a prosecutor for United States Department of Justice where she enforced consumer protection statutes through leading investigations and litigating civil and criminal cases in federal courts nationwide.

Experience

USDA

Deputy General Counsel

March 2022 - Present (1 year 6 months)

Washington DC-Baltimore Area

Senate Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry Committee

Chief Counsel

January 2017 - Present (6 years 8 months)

Senate Homeland Security & Governmental Affairs Committee
Democratic Chief Counsel
June 2014 - January 2017 (2 years 8 months)

Senate Homeland Security & Governmental Affairs Committee
Chief Counsel for Homeland Security
January 2013 - June 2014 (1 year 6 months)

Senate Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee
Associate Staff Director & Chief Counsel for Homeland Security
Preparedness & Response
2010 - 2012 (2 years)

Senate Homeland Security & Governmental Affairs Committee
Counsel
2004 - 2010 (6 years)

U.S. Department of Justice's Office of Consumer Protection
Trial Attorney
1998 - 2004 (6 years)
Washington, DC

Southern Poverty Law Center
Legal Fellow
1997 - 1998 (1 year)

Honorable John R. Gibson, U.S. Court of Appeals for the Eighth
Circuit
Law Clerk
1996 - 1997 (1 year)

Education

Harvard Law School
JD

University of Nebraska-Lincoln
Bachelor's degree, Psychology and Speech Communications