

# Kristi Richard Named 2023 Leadership Council on Legal Diversity Fellow

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McGlinchey is pleased to announce **Kristi W. Richard** will participate in the Leadership Council on Legal Diversity (LCLD)'s 2023 class of Fellows, a landmark program to identify, train, and advance the next generation of leaders in the legal profession.

As a Member (Partner) in the firm's Baton Rouge office, Kristi advises clients across the U.S. in the areas of insurance regulation and compliance. She was named to Best Lawyers' "Insurance Law" list in 2023 and was recognized as a "Rising Star" by Louisiana Super Lawyers in 2018-2023 for her work in corporate law. She serves as co-chair of Uplift, the McGlinchey Women's Initiative.

Kristi is involved in numerous legal and community organizations, currently serving on the Board of the Greater Baton Rouge YWCA and as chair of the legal ad hoc committee of the Junior League of Baton Rouge. She has served in the Louisiana State Bar Association, including as Wills for Heroes Co-Chair, Young Lawyers Division Representative, and on the Awards Committee. Kristi is also a full-time professor of Business Law at Louisiana State University.

*"I am pleased that Kristi will represent McGlinchey as this year's LCLD Fellow," said **Michael Ferachi**, Managing Member of McGlinchey. "Kristi is a talented attorney who upholds LCLD's values of strong leadership and inclusion. As a leader in the firm and in her local community, she is a great candidate for this important program."*

LCLD's Fellows Program emphasizes development in three core competencies: relationship building, transformational leadership, and professional branding. McGlinchey has been a member of the LCLD since its inception and has had an attorney participate in the Fellows Program every year since 2011.

McGlinchey has been honored as a Law Firm "Top Performer" by the LCLD every year since 2018, and the firm has twice received the LCLD's highest recognition, the Compass Award. Since 2012, McGlinchey has also offered an annual 1L Fellowship through the LCLD Scholars program to a first-year law student, which includes a \$5,000 scholarship, a paid Summer Associate position, and formal mentorship from McGlinchey attorneys throughout the student's law school career.

The LCLD is an organization of more than 400 corporate chief legal officers and law firm managing partners working to promote inclusiveness in legal institutions, in circles of influence, and in society, with the ultimate

goal of building a more open and diverse legal profession. The LCLD Fellows Program has trained over 2,000 mid-career attorneys since 2011.

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