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Beth's practice focuses on advising public and private companies, investment funds and their boards in a broad range of corporate matters, with an emphasis on their ESG matters, including sustainability reporting, board oversight and disclosure controls, and shareholder and stakeholder engagement. She has extensive experience developing robust environmental, social and governance (ESG) strategies and driving forward a wide range of ESG initiatives, from corporate governance and board affairs to ESG reporting and shareholder engagement issues – and more.

Before joining Cooley, Beth served as Verizon's senior vice president, governance and chief ESG officer. While at Verizon, she was responsible for the company's ESG strategy, disclosure and related stakeholder advocacy while leading a cross-functional team of lawyers and sustainability professionals responsible for corporate governance policy and board affairs; ESG commitments, reporting and engagement; business and human rights; digital trust and safety; compliance with corporate and securities laws; legal support to investor relations and external reporting; and advising on other general corporate matters. She also served as a management liaison to the Corporate Governance and Policy Committee of the Verizon board of directors, the committee charged with overseeing sustainability, governance, public policy and reputational risk.

Previously, Beth was vice president and associate general counsel, litigation for Verizon corporate. In that role, she was responsible for litigation and dispute resolution nationally for Verizon's corporate, wireline, wireless, and enterprise and government businesses.

Beth has more than 20 years of experience, including a strong background in regulatory, governance, public policy and corporate litigation. Before joining Verizon, Beth also practiced in the corporate and litigation groups of prominent New York City law firms.

Education

University of Pennsylvania

JD, 1997

Simmons College

BA, 1993

Admissions & Credentials

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