

Susan N. Kelly

Sue Kelly was President and CEO of the American Public Power Association (APPA) from 2014-2019, leading the national trade association serving public power utilities. She came to APPA in 2004 as its Senior Vice President, Policy Analysis and General Counsel. In that capacity, she was responsible for APPA's energy policy formulation and policy advocacy before the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC), federal courts, and other governmental and industry policy forums.



From 1998–2004, Kelly was a principal with the Washington, D.C. law firm of Miller, Balis & O'Neil, P.C. She represented cooperatively and publicly owned electric utilities and their trade associations, as well as other governmental entities, assisting them with restructuring-related issues before the FERC, federal appellate courts, and state public utility commissions. From 1995–1998, Kelly served as the Senior Regulatory Counsel for the National Rural Electric Cooperative Association (NRECA). She represented NRECA before the FERC, state public utility commissions and courts, and served as a liaison from NRECA to many industry groups.

Kelly served two separate terms on the U.S. Department of Energy's Electricity Advisory Committee (EAC) from 2008-2009 and 2012-2014, during both the Bush and Obama Administrations. In 2010-11, Kelly was President of the Energy Bar Association. From January 2015-December 2019, she was an associate member on the Commodity Futures Trading Commission's Energy and Environmental Markets Advisory Committee. From 2014-2019, she served on the Steering Committee of the Electricity Subsector Coordinating Council, a joint industry-government group dealing with cyber and physical security issues. She was also a member of the E Source Advisory Board and the Board of Directors of the Center for Energy Workforce Development.

Kelly has given presentations to many industry groups, including the National Association of Regulatory Utility Commissioners, the Organization of PJM States, Inc., the Energy Bar Association, the American Bar Association, the American Antitrust Institute, the E Source Forum, the United States Energy Association, the Association of Women in Energy and the Harvard Electricity Policy Group. She has also appeared before federal and state administrative agencies, and testified before committees of the U.S. Congress and state legislatures.

Kelly was named one of Washington's "Most Powerful Women" in the November 2015 issue of *Washingtonian* magazine in the "Business, Labor, and Lobbying" category. In March 2017, she was honored as Woman of the Year by the Women's Council on Energy and the Environment. In January 2020, she received *Public Utility Fortnightly's* Owen Young Award to honor her exceptional contributions to the electric utility industry.

Kelly earned her J.D. degree with high honors from the George Washington University in 1980, and her A.B. degree in Honors Interdisciplinary Studies and Economics, magna cum laude, from the University of Missouri in 1977.