

Kathi Vidal Featured on Hsu Untied Podcast

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Winston & Strawn partner Kathi Vidal was featured on an episode of Hsu Untied, an award-winning podcast for entrepreneurs, lawyers, venture capitalists, best-selling authors, athletes, TED speakers, and more. Kathi spoke with host Richard Hsu about how the opportunity to become the head of the USPTO came about, her preparation for the role, the agency's unprecedented accomplishments during her tenure, her decision to return to Winston, and more.

Prior to her return to Winston, Kathi served as the U.S. Senate-confirmed Under Secretary of Commerce for IP and Director of the USPTO from April 2022 to December 2024, leading the \$4.2B operation with over 14,000 employees located across the 50 states and Puerto Rico—underpinning more than \$8T in IP-intensive economic activity annually in the U.S. She was the principal advisor to the President, his administration, and the Secretary of Commerce on IP. During her tenure, she broadened the USPTO's mission to focus proactively across the U.S. government and internationally on impactful innovation and entrepreneurship policy to accelerate U.S. innovation, bolster U.S. competitiveness, and bring innovation to solve community and world problems.

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