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Kathleen Havey specializes in advocacy on behalf of children and families. Her work builds upon several decades of experience in the nonprofit and congressional arenas.

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Prior to joining Linchpin, Kathleen worked at the U.S. Chamber of Commerce, where she represented businesses of all sizes before Congress and the Administration on pension and employee benefit issues. She also taught marketing at Johns Hopkins and the University of Maryland.



On Capitol Hill, Kathleen served as Legislative Director for Congresswoman Nancy Johnson. In this capacity, she worked on issues under the jurisdiction of the Ways and Means Committee, including income support programs, pensions, and taxation. Responsible for issues of particular importance to women and families, including education and child care, Kathleen was deeply involved in conference committee negotiations on the landmark 1996 welfare reform law.

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