

## **Kevin Backus**

*Senior Vice President, General Counsel and Secretary*  
**Thyssenkrupp North America, Inc.**

Kevin C. Backus oversees all legal matters for thyssenkrupp's regional headquarters and North America operating companies, including compliance, litigation, mergers and acquisitions, corporate governance, real estate, commercial transactions, labor and employment, environmental and regulatory issues. The centralized legal group is focused on providing practical, cost-effective legal solutions to support the business goals of regional operations.

Backus has deep expertise working with global firms on a wide variety of legal topics. He joined thyssenkrupp's U.S. Holding Company as Deputy General Counsel, and was then named Vice President and General Counsel before assuming his expanded responsibilities as Senior Vice President, General Counsel and Secretary for the region.

Previously, Backus was the first General Counsel for Plastic Omnium, Inc., for all of their business units located in North and South America. Prior to Plastic Omnium, he served as Assistant General Counsel at Textron Fastening Systems Inc. Backus served as Associate General Counsel and European General Counsel for Covisint, LLC, and Covisint Europe, BV. He began his career working as an attorney in top tier corporate law firms.

He earned his Juris Doctorate (JD) from Wayne State University Law School and graduated cum laude with a bachelor's of arts in accounting and Spanish from Hillside College.