

Chris Kendrick

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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

I bring 25 years of professional experience to AI governance and privacy leadership, including more than six years at Meta and eight years in legal practice. I have built global organizations, established governance across product groups, and cut generative AI review turnaround by more than half while supporting 100+ launches.

I build with AI every day, directing agents across research, product design, engineering, and testing while owning architecture, tradeoffs, and release decisions. That daily practice, alongside my JD, MBA, and leadership experience, shapes how I make governance work in practice.

CORE EXPERTISE

AI and privacy governance: generative AI risk review, privacy by design, decision rights, escalation frameworks, audit readiness.

Building with AI: daily product development with AI, agent coordination, prototyping, review of generated code, test design, and release validation.

Organizational leadership: global teams, hiring and manager development, operating model design, vendor and budget ownership.

Regulatory operations: GDPR, UK GDPR, CCPA/CPRA, privacy incident and breach response, cross border data transfers.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Meta Platforms Inc. | Seattle, WA | January 2020 - July 2026

Director of Strategic Risk Programs

Supported 100+ full time employees within my organization through direct support of senior staff and leadership through managers. Led privacy and risk programs spanning AI research, hardware, infrastructure, and product portfolios.

- Cut decision turnaround by more than half in one quarter for privacy review in a generative AI research organization while supporting 100+ launches. Redesigned staffing, rebuilt researcher partnerships, and introduced a reusable decision framework with Legal.
- Founded a global strategic program management organization with 12+ full time employees and dozens of contingent workers across continents; owned a budget for statements of work across multiple vendors totaling tens of millions of dollars.
- Cofounded a shared operating model for risk review decisions across multiple product groups. Integrated five workstreams into one roadmap, documented decision rights and review procedures, and coordinated the inaugural internal audit, which closed with three minor findings.
- Helped scale a privacy review organization from approximately 35 to 75 people in one year through hiring, organizational design, and manager development. Conducted approximately 70 interviews, developed individual contributors into managers, and hired senior managers.

META PLATFORMS INC CONTINUED

- Authored an AI Innovation Framework and led learning across the organization to help teams use AI. The framework informed a broader operating model redesign.
- Led privacy incident and breach response work and global regulatory compliance operations, partnering with Legal and Security on GDPR, UK GDPR, CCPA, breach analysis, regulatory reporting, data subject notification, and cross border transfer mechanisms.
- Rebuilt a fractured partnership supporting hardware and augmented reality products through joint roadmaps, regular product forums, and transparent escalation handling. The partnership became a model for other teams, and the team led the broader organization in engagement scores.
- Unified two privacy review workflows through a pilot lasting seven weeks; exceeded targets for review time and expanded to full coverage.
- Established the operating cadence for a strategy initiative across the company in under a quarter, aligning senior leaders through 20+ executive reviews and daily decision forums; the initiative delivered on schedule.

Spectrum (Charter Communications) | Denver, CO | November 2018 - January 2020

Product Manager

- Implemented a CCPA compliance roadmap and educated leadership on privacy and data practices across the connected home ecosystem.
- Defined connected home strategy with senior leadership, delivered the roadmap with engineering, and negotiated ecosystem agreements including Apple HomeKit.

Kendrick & Madrid LLP | Denver, CO | September 2012 - May 2017

Managing Partner

- Advised businesses on privacy regulation and risk mitigation; drafted and implemented privacy notices and policies and helped clients establish privacy programs.
- Generated more than \$500,000 in business over five years. Led recruitment and moved casework to a fully electronic workflow.
- Maintained a criminal and appellate practice, securing a published Colorado Court of Appeals opinion with a favorable client outcome.

Colorado State Public Defender | Denver, CO | May 2009 - August 2012

Deputy State Public Defender; previously a law school intern. Represented 200+ clients and managed cases from intake through negotiation and trial. Admitted to the Colorado bar in 2011.

Aurora Loan | Lone Tree, CO | January 2006 - December 2007

Process and Procedures Analyst at a Lehman Brothers mortgage bank. Developed compliance policies and operating procedures, identified regulatory control gaps, and implemented corrective action plans.

Additional experience: Financial Analyst, Level 3 Communications; Law Clerk, Leventhal, Brown & Puga.

INDEPENDENT PRODUCT DEVELOPMENT

I build software and connected systems with AI, including an adaptive piano learning product and a hub for 3D printing workflows. I own product direction, architecture, tradeoffs, and release acceptance. Selected work: ChristopherKendrick.com.

EDUCATION

Juris Doctor, University of Denver, Sturm College of Law

Master of Business Administration, University of Colorado Denver