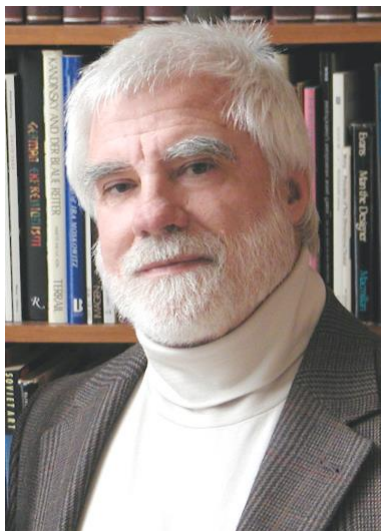


Advisory Committee on the Public Interest Obligations of Digital Television Broadcasters. Gigi has received numerous awards and honors for her work. Just to name a few -- in 2006, the Electronic Frontier Foundation awarded Gigi the Internet Pioneer Award. In 2019, the National Journal named Gigi to its list of "50 people changing the game in Washington." In 2021, The Washingtonian magazine named Gigi one of its "Most Influential People in Washington." In 2023, the University of Pennsylvania's Carey Law School gave Gigi its Louis H. Pollak alumni award for a career advancing social justice through service in the public interest.



Kimberly McKinley
Deputy Director and Chief Marketing Officer

Kimberly McKinley helps lead UTOPIA Fiber as its Deputy Director and Chief Marketing Officer. UTOPIA stands for Utah Telecommunication Open Infrastructure Agency. UTOPIA Fiber is a group of 11 Utah cities that joined together in 2004 to build, deploy, and operate a fiber to the home network to every business and household within their communities. In 2010, Kim joined the network as a member of its turnaround team, and has helped cement today's UTOPIA Fiber as the fastest-growing, highest-rated, and most-successful Open Access network in the United States. Day-to-day, Kim actively leads UTOPIA's marketing, sales, order fulfillment, and customer service teams. Kim is one of the industry's most recognizable leaders. She is a Board Member of the Fiber Broadband Association in Washington, D.C and of the American Association for Public Broadband. She speaks frequently about Open Access networks on the national stage. Prior to UTOPIA Fiber, Kim worked in the hospitality marketing industry and has a B.A. in Business Administration from the College of Charleston.



Timothy Schoechle, Ph.D, Consultant in Computer and Communications Engineering & Policy

Dr. Timothy Schoechle is an international consultant in computer and communications engineering and in technical standards development. He is a Senior Research Fellow of the National Institute for Science,

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Moderator: Odette Wilkens
Co-Founder, President & General Counsel

Odette Wilkens co-founded Wired Broadband, Inc. in 2020, a 501(c)(3) non-profit in New York City, focusing on safe technology for the public. Odette is a technology transactional attorney and for over 20 years has represented multi-national corporations in entertainment, finance and technology. WBI advocates for fiber optics network architecture running fiber to and through the premises for homes, businesses, schools and all facilities. WBI is raising awareness of the superior benefits of fiber optics for capacity with symmetrical Gigabit speeds, safety, cybersecurity, with ground-breaking applications in telemedicine and emergency preparedness.