Virginia Kase is the CEO of the League of Women Voters of the United States where she is leading the organization through a period of rapid transformation and growth focused on building power by engaging in advocacy, legislation, litigation and organizing efforts centered around issues of voting rights and democracy reform. Prior to joining the League in 2018, she served as COO of CASA, an organization at the forefront of the immigrant rights movement representing nearly 100,000 members. In that leadership role, Virginia managed the strategic growth, direction, and operations of the organization and served as a key thought leader on its politics and policy team.

Earlier in her career, Virginia spent eight years serving as the National Technical Assistance and Training Manager at the Center for Neighborhood Enterprise (CNE) in Washington, DC. While at CNE she developed a grant making and capacity building program for grassroots non-profits addressing issues of urban violence, economic, racial and social inequality. During that time, she also studied what made them effective, using that information to assist groups in deepening their impact by replicating best practices and identifying opportunities for cross-sector movement building.

Virginia’s career started in her early 20’s when she co-founded a youth-led non-profit in her hometown of Hartford, CT. There she
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