

## Lippes Mathias Welcomes Former U.S. Department of Energy Tribal Loan Program Office Senior Advisor Matt Ferguson as Partner



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Lippes Mathias is pleased to announce the addition of Matt Ferguson, a former senior advisor to the U.S. Department of Energy (DOE), Tribal Loan Program Office, to the Firm as a Partner. Ferguson, who will work with the renewable energy, corporate, tax, and tribal practice teams, has over 20 years of experience advising and counseling clients on a wide range of corporate, project finance, governance, and tax issues, with a significant focus on the development and financing of energy projects. His clients have included technology companies, project sponsors, energy developers, investment firms and funds, and tribal governments.

Ferguson has served in legal and advisory roles in law firms (including as outside general counsel); in-house for a Fortune 50 company and at an international accounting, tax, & advisory firm; and in the federal government. Ferguson's practice includes advising his clients on transaction structuring; mergers and acquisitions; project financing; fund formation; corporate tax issues, and general corporate law and transaction matters.

"Renewable energy is a practice area we've been continuing to grow, and I'm confident that Matt brings the type of deep, firsthand experience in this area that our clients have come to expect from us." Kevin J. Cross, Lippes

Mathias' managing partner and chairman, said. In his role as a DOE senior advisor, Ferguson led the implementation of an energy infrastructure credit program for Tribal Nations, where he regularly interacted with Tribal leaders, Tribal energy companies, and renewable energy developers. In private practice, Ferguson advised Indian Tribes on economic development and investment matters and has served as special finance and tax counsel to law firms on energy matters.

Ian A. Shavitz, leader of Lippes Mathias' renewable energy practice team added, "Not only will Matt strengthen our tribal energy practice, but his tax and project finance capabilities add to and round out the offerings Lippes Mathias can bring to our clients seeking to sell, acquire, and finance energy projects."

Ferguson received his undergraduate degree from Franklin Pierce University and graduated with his J.D. from Georgia State University College of Law. Ferguson, who lives in Connecticut, will practice out of both the firm's New York City and Washington, D.C. offices. He can be reached by email at [mferguson@lippes.com](mailto:mferguson@lippes.com) or by phone at 332.345.4500, ext. 1622

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