

Lippes Mathias LLP Combines With Andreozzi Bluestein LLP, Launches Tax Controversy Practice and Adds New Space in Buffalo's Northtowns



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BUFFALO, NEW YORK — Lippes Mathias LLP announced today that it has combined with Andreozzi Bluestein LLP, a sophisticated tax controversy law firm based in Clarence, N.Y., recognized nationally for their work in large case corporate tax litigation and examinations, international and cross-border tax issues, tax shelter litigation, and small business and individual tax matters. Eight attorneys will join Lippes Mathias as part of the combination, plus 16 experienced legal, tax, and accounting professionals. The highly regarded and sought-after group includes former lead senior trial attorneys from the IRS Office of Chief Counsel and the U.S. Department of Justice Tax Division; former Internal Revenue Office revenue agents, revenue officers, and executives; and a team of forensic accountants and IRS enrolled agents.

Lippes Mathias now has nearly 175 attorneys, 137 staff, and 14 offices across the country.

“Certainly, our combination with Andreozzi Bluestein is a strategic move that broadens our numbers, but this isn't just about growth – it's about thoughtful evolution – enriching our capabilities and expanding our comprehensive legal services to our clients,” said Kevin J. Cross, Lippes Mathias’ managing partner and chairman. “By adding this

new capability in tax controversy, we're both diversifying our portfolio and underlining our commitment to maintaining our status as a leading full service provider."

Lippes Mathias has achieved steady and deliberate growth by focusing on meeting the ever-changing demands of its clients. Through the addition of Andreozzi Bluestein's tax controversy practice, Lippes Mathias provides its existing tax and government & corporate investigations practices with a valuable infusion of talent to better help clients navigate matters in their respective practice areas. The proactive move to unite comes during a period of expanding tax enforcement capabilities at the federal and state levels – requiring more robust tax controversy representation due to increased audits.

"Joining forces with Lippes Mathias is the right choice for our firm," said Randall P. Andreozzi, founding partner of Andreozzi Bluestein LLP. "This combination is the right cultural fit, expands our reach, and it gives our attorneys and staff members access to resources that weren't necessarily available to us before as a boutique firm. After becoming acquainted with Lippes Mathias' attorneys in the Western New York community throughout my career, my colleagues and I could not be more excited at the prospect of joining such a distinguished firm."

Former Andreozzi Bluestein attorneys and professionals will continue to work out of their approximately 9,300-square-foot office space at 9145 Main Street in Clarence. For more information about the combination or to learn more about Lippes Mathias' tax controversy services, call 716.853.5100 or visit lippes.com.

About Lippes Mathias LLP

Lippes Mathias is a full-service law firm with nearly 175 attorneys serving clients regionally, nationally, and internationally. With offices in Buffalo, Albany, Clarence, Rochester, Long Island, New York, and Saratoga Springs, N.Y.; Greater Toronto Area; Chicago, Ill.; Jacksonville, Fla.; Cleveland, Ohio; San Antonio, Texas; Oklahoma City, Okla. and Washington, D.C., the firm represents publicly and privately-owned companies, private equity and venture capital firms, real estate developers, financial institutions, municipalities, governmental entities, and individuals.

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