

Lippes Mathias Welcomes James J. Campisi, Harley A. Carrol and Connor T. Godfrey



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BUFFALO, NEW YORK – Lippes Mathias is pleased to welcome James J. Campisi, Harley A. Carrol and Connor T. Godfrey, who have joined the firm as associates in its Buffalo office.

[Campisi](#), who has joined the firm’s insurance recovery, counseling & litigation practice team, aids clients with risk and insurance matters, focusing on drafting risk and insurance terms in commercial contracts and organizing claims during insurance recoveries. Campisi’s practice was previously devoted to insurance coverage litigation, handling issues and disputes under all types of coverages, and providing counseling to carriers on duty to defend disputes, proprietary and standard exclusions, additional insured coverage claims and defenses, priority of coverage, and construction defect coverage and exclusions. Before joining Lippes Mathias, Campisi served as in-house counsel to some of Western New York’s largest and most well-known companies, negotiating and drafting commercial contracts and advising senior leaders on strategic initiatives, corporate innovation, and risk assessments, while gaining extensive corporate governance experience, supporting boards of directors, and acting as a liaison between c-suite executives and the boards. Campisi received his bachelor’s degree from the State University of New York at Fredonia, completed his MBA at Canisius College (now Canisius University) and graduated with his J.D. from the University at Buffalo School of Law, where he also served as the articles editor of the Buffalo Law Review.

Carrol, another new member of the insurance recovery, counseling & litigation team, assists clients with risk and insurance matters, with an emphasis on drafting risk and insurance terms in commercial contracts and marshaling claims for insurance recoveries. Carrol's background is in regulatory analysis and compliance, bringing a unique perspective to the intersection of law and business. Prior to joining Lippes Mathias, he served as the assistant vice president of compliance surveillance for a global investment bank, gaining experience in navigating complex legal frameworks, developing compliance programs, and conducting in-depth legal research. In this role Carrol offered counsel to banks on regulatory matters, parsing through business data, and helping to guide success in a continuously shifting legal and business landscape. Carrol earned his undergraduate degree from Binghamton University, The State University of New York, and received both his J.D. and MBA from the University at Buffalo School of Law and the University at Buffalo School of Management, respectively.

Godfrey, who has joined the firm's health care team, provides corporate and regulatory counsel to health care providers, including health systems, hospitals, medical groups, diagnostic laboratories, and individual practitioners. Godfrey regularly assists in the formation and organization of unique health care affiliations and collaborations, advising on national telehealth networks, management services organizations, professional corporations, and the corporate practice of medicine. Godfrey gained corporate and transactional experience in a previous role, where he prepared legal documents, performed due diligence reviews, and conducted research. Godfrey attended undergraduate school at Fordham University's Gabelli School of Business, where he was also a member of the sailing team, earning academic all-American and all-MAISA honors. At the University at Buffalo School of Law, where he received his J.D., Godfrey served as the note and comment editor of the Buffalo Law Review and the managing editor of the Buffalo Environmental Law Journal. Outside of his practice, Godfrey serves as a member of the Kidney Health Together, Inc. Board of Directors.

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