Lippes Mathias Welcomes Senior Policy Advisor Christopher Kaumo to Washington, D.C. Office



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Lippes Mathias LLP is pleased to welcome Christopher Kaumo to its Washington, D.C., office, where he joins the firm's Lobbying & Public Policy Practice Team as a senior policy advisor. A veteran of Capitol Hill, Kaumo draws on more than two decades of public service to help clients shape legislative strategy and plan their approach to federal policy.

For 20 years, Kaumo was a member of the team of the late Rep. Raúl M. Grijalva, D-Ariz. On the U.S. House Committee on Natural Resources, he rose to deputy staff director, and he also led the staff of the Subcommittee for Indigenous Peoples of the United States as its staff director.

In those roles, Kaumo handled legislative and oversight matters touching tribal sovereignty and self-governance, economic development in tribal communities, and tribal land and water rights. He also worked on some of the country's foundational environmental statutes, such as the Endangered Species Act and the National Environmental Policy Act. Building bipartisan support was central to his work, and he helped advance bills out of committee and through passage on the House floor.

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Earlier, Kaumo worked in Grijalva's personal office as legislative director and senior policy advisor. There, he directed the office's agenda on tribal issues, telecommunications, financial services and transportation, and served as its only point of contact with the Appropriations Committee during each funding cycle.

Before joining Lippes Mathias, Kaumo founded and led Synchronicity Strategies LLC, a federal government relations firm whose clients worked in conservation, telecommunications, housing and infrastructure. Drawing on long-standing relationships across Washington, he represented those clients before lawmakers in both chambers of Congress and before the administration.

In his new role, Kaumo gives clients a practical, inside view of the federal process, helping them identify the right moments and venues to make progress on their legislative goals and policy priorities.

Kaumo holds a Bachelor of Science from the University of Wyoming, which he received in 1997.

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