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Saxton & Stump Strengthens Litigation Ranks with Two High-Profile Hires in Government and Political Law

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LANCASTER, Pa., April 30, 2025 — Following its key Pennsylvania expansion initiatives in [Pittsburgh](#) and [York](#) earlier this month, [Saxton & Stump](#) continues its strategic and ambitious growth plan by welcoming two of Pennsylvania’s most respected government and political litigators, [Shohin Vance](#) and [Joshua J. Voss](#), to its growing team. Both join as shareholders in the firm’s [Commercial Litigation](#), [Appellate and Post-Trial Advocacy](#), and [Regulatory and Government Relations](#) groups. Together, they will significantly bolster the firm’s capabilities in

politically sensitive, high-profile litigation across state and federal courts.

“Shohin and Josh are difference-makers,” said Saxton & Stump CEO [James W. Saxton](#). “Their work has shaped law and policy in this Commonwealth, and their arrival reflects our continued investment in being the go-to firm for complex government and regulatory litigation matters.”

Vance and Voss bring national-caliber experience from Philadelphia law firm Kleinbard LLC, which is known for its influential political law practice. Their work spans constitutional challenges, election disputes, and litigation against powerful institutions at the highest levels of state and federal government.

Vance has been involved in the political arena for decades, working closely with family members who served in elected state positions and in the lobbying industry prior to law school. In his legal practice, Vance is sought after by represented legislative bodies and elected officials and has handled precedent-setting cases at the highest levels. His politically charged, high-stakes litigation work has been pivotal in disputes involving executive power, election integrity, and environmental law. Vance’s work has been recognized by Best Lawyers in America® (“Ones to Watch,” 2021–2025), Pennsylvania Super Lawyers (“Rising Star,” 2024), “Lawdragon 500 X – The Next Generation” (2023), *City & State Pennsylvania* (“Philadelphia Forty Under 40,” 2022), and The Legal Intelligencer (“Lawyers on the Fast Track,” 2021). He graduated from Penn State Dickinson School of Law after earning his Bachelor of Science degree at the University of Scranton.

“What drew me to Saxton & Stump is the firm’s energy, breadth, and willingness to listen to clients, attorneys, and the changing direction of the law,” said Vance. “That’s how you build something enduring, and I’m excited to contribute to its growth.”

Voss is an appellate advocate who focuses on high-stakes governmental and commercial litigation. His notable efforts include challenging the scope of gubernatorial emergency powers during the COVID-19 pandemic on behalf of the Pennsylvania Senate Majority Caucus, and litigation against the NCAA to overturn penalties imposed on Penn State University. He has represented state agencies including the Pennsylvania Turnpike Commission and Treasury Department.

He graduated summa cum laude as valedictorian of the inaugural class at Drexel University’s Thomas R. Kline School of Law, after earning his Bachelor of Arts degree from the University of Iowa. Best Lawyers in America® recognized Voss for the Criminal Defense: White Collar practice in 2025.

“This firm doesn’t just talk about innovation — it builds around it,” said Voss. “The resources, the strategic vision, and the momentum here are unlike anything I’ve seen. It’s a place where I can elevate my practice and help clients navigate their most high-stakes issues with clarity and purpose.”

[Kathleen Duffy Bruder](#), chair of Saxton & Stump’s Regulatory and Government Affairs Group, emphasized the significance of Vance and Voss joining the firm. She called their addition a game changer for her lobbying practice group and the firm overall.

“Shohin and Josh each have the unique ability to identify client needs that will benefit from a twofold approach of litigation and lobbying,” noted Bruder. “They understand how to navigate the state and federal governments’ three branches of government and have the experience needed to litigate and coordinate with our lobbying group for paths to success.”

“When a political litigation matter surfaces in Pennsylvania, Shohin and Josh are often the first attorneys to receive a call,” she said. “They are both very well-connected in state and national political circles, and they stay top of mind because of the success they’ve had for their clients in and out of the highest-profile courtrooms.”

Vance and Voss have represented clients in the U.S. Supreme Court and tried many cases before the Pennsylvania Supreme Court and the Commonwealth Court of Pennsylvania. Vance will be based in the firm’s Malvern office, and Voss in Lancaster. The two will work in the firm’s Philadelphia office and other sites throughout the state to serve clients across Pennsylvania.

Their arrival builds on the firm’s momentum as it continues expanding its geographic footprint and attracting top-tier legal talent in key practice areas.

Saxton & Stump’s strategic growth outlook

With over 250 professionals, including more than 130 attorneys, Saxton & Stump’s innovative model continues to attract highly talented and experienced attorneys, driving the growth of the law firm and its affiliate companies nationwide.

Saxton & Stump provides solutions for complex legal issues and partners with clients to create a roadmap for their success. The firm is committed to empowering clients by delivering five-star service and result-focused advice.

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