



Former ExxonMobil Counsel to Join Fulbright's Litigation Department

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NEW YORK – John Tully, who spent more than a quarter century as a member of ExxonMobil's law department, joined Fulbright & Jaworski L.L.P.'s New York office this week as a litigator.

Tully, who will be of counsel at Fulbright, worked in New York at a litigation firm following a decades-long legal career at ExxonMobil. Tully commenced his legal work at Exxon as staff counsel in 1977 and worked his way up to become ExxonMobil's assistant general counsel responsible for worldwide litigation.

"John is an experienced litigator who handled major matters for Exxon," said Steven B. Pfeiffer, the chair of Fulbright's Executive Committee. "His experience overseeing ExxonMobil's worldwide litigation matters and his adeptness at handling disputes makes him a perfect fit for our expanding worldwide litigation practice, especially in a financial center such as New York."

Tully first began working alongside Fulbright attorneys more than two decades ago when he moved to Houston with Exxon.

"John's addition to our firm is a strategic move as we work to expand our litigation practice in New York," said Stephen C. Dillard, chair of Fulbright's worldwide litigation department. "John brings invaluable experience, familiarity and proficiency in handling energy litigation."

Fulbright is recognized as a premier energy firm with a diversified practice that serves the needs of the global energy industry. Fulbright also has a noted litigation practice that has been a cornerstone of the firm since 1919. Fulbright's litigation prowess stems from such giants of the profession as Leon Jaworski, Kraft Eidman, Jim Sales and the firm's co-founder John Crooker, Sr.

Tully said he's always been impressed with the legal skill, professionalism and personal qualities of those he's worked with from Fulbright.

"I retired from ExxonMobil three years ago to return to my hometown of New York," Tully said. "Since then, I have gotten to know Fulbright's New York attorneys, who have the same great qualities that I have always admired in those I've met at other Fulbright offices. I am honored to become a part of Fulbright's proud tradition and looking forward to this great opportunity with a firm that represents and stands for only the very best."

Currently, Tully is defending ExxonMobil in a number of commercial, environmental and personal injury and property damage lawsuits in New York state and federal courts. During his career at Exxon, he also litigated environmental and employment law issues and advised management in all aspects of ExxonMobil's business, including Exxon's refinery and chemical plant operations.

Tully began his career in the New York County District Attorney's office, where he tried ten murder cases to verdict as a member of the homicide bureau.

While an assistant attorney general for the state of New York, Tully worked on grand jury investigations and trials involving organized criminal activity. He also spent a year as a trial attorney with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission, where he conducted investigations and handled administrative proceedings.

"John is a litigator who has handled everything from criminal trials to major civil disputes," said William Bush, the head of Fulbright's New York office. "His wealth of experience when it comes to dispute resolution and valued perspectives will assist our clients worldwide."

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