

# Cullen and Dykman Bolsters Tax Certiorari Expertise with the Addition of Nationally-Recognized Partners

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Uniondale, NY – Cullen and Dykman LLP, a distinguished law firm with a history dating back to 1850, proudly welcomes two seasoned partners, **David C. Wilkes** and **Kevin M. Clyne**, both specializing in Tax Certiorari, to its Corporate Department.

Cullen and Dykman's Managing Partner, Christopher H. Palmer, stated, "We are thrilled to welcome David and Kevin, whose extensive expertise significantly augments our Tax Certiorari capabilities. Their addition reinforces our dedication to navigating the complexities of real estate taxation while also delivering exceptional value and savings to our clients."

**David C. Wilkes** brings a unique blend of global perspective and extensive experience in complex commercial property taxation disputes, valuation law, and related litigation. David adeptly guides clients through crucial decisions in real estate investment and management, placing a specific focus on understanding the local tax implications of transactions and construction, and negotiating with local government to achieve his clients' objectives. As Senior Legal Advisor to governments in the Middle East and Eastern Europe, along with advisory work in West Africa, David designed a variety of initiatives aimed at reforming property rights, taxation and mortgage finance structures, decentralizing governments, and fostering economic stimulus within the real estate sector.

David earned his M.S. from New York University, J.D. from Boston University School of Law and B.S. from The City University of New York. He is admitted to practice in New York and Colorado.

**Kevin M. Clyne** joins the firm with over 24 years of experience as a property tax attorney. His advisory prowess encompasses both institutional and non-institutional real estate participants, offering invaluable insights in property tax due diligence matters. Kevin has a successful track record in handling property tax appeals for a diverse range of asset types across every corner of New York State, with a particular focus on the NYC metropolitan and suburban areas. He has served as the national property tax manager for a billion-dollar retail warehouse owner/operator and managed the eminent domain practice at each of his previous firms.

Kevin earned his J.D. from the Hofstra University School of Law and B.S. from Loyola University Maryland. He is admitted to practice in New York.

## About Cullen and Dykman LLP

Cullen and Dykman LLP is a full-service law firm that clients have trusted to deliver top-tier, cost-effective legal services since 1850. With over 170 attorneys in seven offices located throughout the Northeast and Mid-Atlantic regions, Cullen and Dykman is strategically positioned to meet the changing needs and demands of our clients.

## Practices

- Corporate

## Attorneys

- David C. Wilkes
- Kevin M. Clyne, CRE