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City of East Providence names new Assistant City Solicitor

EAST PROVIDENCE, RI- Mayor Bob DaSilva has announced that the City of East Providence has hired Joel Votolato, as its new Assistant City Solicitor.

Votolato will be responsible for drafting and reviewing legal documents, advising municipal officials and representing the city's interests in a variety of legal issues.

Votolato is a partner at Gannon Bailey & Votolato. As an Equity Partner, Votolato does general practice with a focus on corporate law, banking and financial law, as well as real estate transactions and litigation, land use, civil litigation and estate planning and probate.

Additionally, Votolato serves as an outside corporate counsel for major local credit unions handling all manners of legal issues from contract negotiations, document review, municipal land use, construction and development support, as well as representation before local, state and federal courts, boards and agendas.

Prior to his time at Gannon Bailey & Votolato, he served as Special Counsel to the Pawtucket City Council, providing legal advice, opinions and support on a multitude of municipal issues independent of the City Solicitor, working closely with the City's Council President and other members of the Council to provide legal counsel on various special projects.

In his free time, Votolato stays active. He is a former member of the Board of Directors for Children's Wishes and Children's Shelter of Blackstone Valley. He is also the former President of the Board of Trustees for the Louisquisset Country Club & Condominium Association. Votolato also has a passion for lacrosse, coaching at Smithfield High School from 2016 through 2019.