A longtime DLA Piper attorney and registered lobbyist with more than 30 years backing clients before Maryland regulators is joining Saul Ewing LLP, the firm has announced. Based in Baltimore, Carville B. Collins practices in public law, ethics and legislation, often representing businesses in utility sectors such as energy, water, gas and electricity, Saul Ewing said in its announcement Wednesday. He has also provided legal counsel to political candidates from both major parties.

He is joining Saul Ewing's regulatory, compliance and government team, which welcomed Washington, D.C.-based counsel Brandon Sherman from Maynard Nexsen PC late last year.

"I joined Saul Ewing to continue development of my law practice with colleagues who practice in my same areas of interest," Collins told Law360 Pulse in an email Thursday. "It is my sincere aspiration that firm clients will benefit from my joining the firm and from the additional extraordinary resources and experience that I can utilize from within the firm."

Collins spent more than 30 years with DLA Piper, according to his online resume. He has advised clients before the Public Service Commission of Maryland in requests for rate and tariff revisions, merger and acquisition approvals and renewable energy facility certifications, credits and subsidies, Saul Ewing said.

Collins earned his law degree from the University of Maryland's Francis King Carey School of Law.

"Carville has an outstanding reputation in the Maryland regulatory community," Baltimore managing partner Jonathan Havens said in a statement. "Not only will he elevate our practice before the Maryland Public Service Commission, but he will also deepen our capacity to represent clients in the traditional utility and renewable energy industries, particularly in offshore wind projects."

Havens added: "His more than 30 years of energy policy experience combined with the deep relationships from his lobbying and public law work truly solidify Saul Ewing as a standout energy and environmental firm guiding clients through energy challenges across the state and country."

Saul Ewing calls its Baltimore location "one of the most long-established law offices in Maryland," having been founded in 1918 as Weinberg & Green before becoming part of Saul Ewing in 1998. Havens became its office managing partner in 2022.

Update: This story has been updated with comments from Carville B. Collins.