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Philadelphia law firm Saul Ewing expanding to Atlanta, snags partners from other firms



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Story Highlights



- Philadelphia law firm Saul Ewing is expanding to Atlanta with an office in Midtown.
- The firm has handled more than 400 matters for Georgia-based clients and clients with operations in Georgia.
- Partners from several top law firms will join the Atlanta office.

A Philadelphia-based AmLaw 200 law firm is planting a flag in the Peach State, marking a strategic step in its growth as it aims to strengthen relationships in the Southeast.

Saul Ewing officially announced its expansion to Atlanta, but the firm's presence in the state isn't wholly new. Since 2020, Saul Ewing has handled more than 400 matters for Georgia-based clients and clients with operations in Georgia.

According to the firm, the expansion is a strategic move to build closer relationships with its clients and further expand its presence in a range of industries, including real estate, higher education, energy and utilities, food and beverage, financial services, sports and entertainment, intellectual property, litigation, corporate, and labor and employment.

Jason M. St. John, managing partner of Saul Ewing, said the firm's clients are investing, expanding, hiring and building in Atlanta.

"Establishing a presence here strengthens our ability to serve existing clients and positions us to grow with the companies driving Atlanta's booming economy," he said in a statement.

Earlier this year, St. John expressed that the firm was targeting expansion to Atlanta and Texas, Atlanta Business Chronicle sister publication [Philadelphia Business Journal reported](#).

"When we think about corporate, real estate, (intellectual property), litigation and our bankruptcy practice, places like Atlanta and Texas are prime areas," St. John said at the time.

Financial and investment advisory firm Nysa Capital is one Atlanta company that has a long-standing relationship with Saul Ewing.

"For 13 years, Saul Ewing has advised Nysa Capital and our affiliates on more than \$500 million of transactions, and throughout that relationship, we have consistently had access to experienced attorneys who understand not only the legal issues, but also the business and financial considerations that ultimately drive a transaction," Dave Rocker, Nysa Capital managing partner, said in a statement. "Establishing an Atlanta office brings that depth of experience directly into our home market."

The firm is planning to open its physical Atlanta office in early fall at Promenade Central in Midtown.

Saul Ewing attorney Steven C. Reingold will be based in Atlanta and serve as the office managing partner, guiding it through its launch period.



The Atlanta office will also initially include the following partners:

- G. Scott Rafshoon, joining from the Atlanta office of Squire Patton Boggs
- Peter N. Hall, joining from the Atlanta office of Holland & Knight
- Rebecca Davis, joining from the Atlanta office of Arnall Golden Gregory LLP
- Patrick S. Tracey, joining from the Boston office of Saul Ewing

Saul Ewing is over a century old, having been founded in 1921. The firm now has more than 450 attorneys and is [one of the largest law firms](#) in the Philadelphia area.