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BURGHERGRAY WELCOMES NEW COUNSEL JEPHTE LANTHIA



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NEW YORK — We are pleased to announce that **Jephte Lanthia** has joined BurgherGray as Of Counsel in the firm's New York office. Jephte will be working with the firm's Investment Management and Corporate and Commercial Transactions practice groups.

Jephte has extensive experience addressing complex securities law issues relating to the Securities Act of 1933, the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the Investment Advisers Act of 1940, Investment Company Act of 1940, and FINRA regulations. He counsels investment advisors, fund sponsors, and investors with regard to formation of and investment in private investment funds,

such as hedge funds, private equity funds, and venture funds.

Additionally, Jephte has devoted a significant part of his practice to advising foreign and domestic entities on various regulatory compliance issues involving FinTech, crowdfunding, blockchain, cryptocurrency, and other sophisticated technology transactions. He has advised token sellers, cryptocurrency exchanges, token marketers, crypto funds interested in trading and investing in digital assets, and other participants in the cryptocurrency space.

A former teacher, Jephte serves as a mentor for Blockchain For Schools, a non-profit organization that introduces high-school students to education on blockchain, cryptocurrencies, and companies participating in the space. Jephte works collaboratively with leaders in the blockchain/cryptocurrency community to advance the industry and confers with his colleagues regularly to discuss recent regulatory enforcement actions, final rules, and guidance and exemptive orders from the SEC, FINRA, CFTC, FinCEN, and other regulatory agencies.

"BurgherGray has an established reputation as a dynamic corporate firm. I am excited to join a team of talented attorneys and professionals who have a wide range of skill sets," Jephte said. "I look forward to adding my particular knowledge base to our Corporate and Commercial Transactions practice group to better serve our clients."

"As a firm we are committed to being at the forefront of the technological revolution, especially as it applies to financial services, in order to best serve our clients," said BurgherGray managing partner Gopal Burgher. "Jephte's addition to the BurgherGray team demonstrates that commitment, deftly combining knowledge of financial and securities regulation with his passion for complex technologies."

Jephte has held FINRA licenses Series 7 and Series 66. He earned his Juris Doctor from Penn State Law and his Bachelor's degree from Jackson State University, where he graduated *magna cum laude*. He also holds a Master's degree in Jazz Pedagogy from Northern Illinois University, where he also graduated *magna cum laude*.