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## LUCAS M. FOLETTA

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### Areas of Practice

Government Affairs & Advocacy;  
Gaming & Administrative Law;  
Energy, Environment & Natural  
Resources

### Bar Admissions

Nevada  
California

### Education

J.D., Wake Forest University  
School of Law, 2006

B.A., Political Science  
and International Relations,  
Cum Laude, University of  
Southern California, 2002

### PROFESSIONAL BACKGROUND

Lucas Foletta helps clients across a broad variety of industry sectors develop comprehensive strategies to tackle their legal, political and policy challenges in Nevada. Equipped with industry experience and an on-the-ground perspective from his previous work in government, Lucas represents clients before the Nevada Legislature, local governments and state government agencies in a wide array of regulatory and government affairs matters.

In his regulatory practice, Lucas has significant experience working on issues facing the energy industry, representing some of the largest energy users in the state in general rate cases, and other contested proceedings and rulemakings before the Public Utilities Commission. He has also worked to expand the availability of distributed energy resources in Nevada, participated in resource planning proceedings and negotiated and drafted numerous power purchase agreements.

Outside the energy field, Lucas has represented clients before other state and local agencies on licensing and investigative matters and worked with various boards and commissions on rulemakings and uncontested proceedings. These agencies include the Nevada Gaming Control Board and the Nevada Gaming Commission, the Financial Institutions Division, the Division of Purchasing, the Board of Medical Examiners, the Nevada Transportation Authority, the Mortgage Lending Division, the Nevada Department of Taxation, and the Board of Pharmacy.

In his government affairs practice, Lucas lobbies at both the state and local levels, where he blends his knowledge of the law with his political judgment to assure successful outcomes for his clients.

Prior to joining the Firm, Lucas served as general counsel and policy director to Nevada Governor Brian Sandoval, where he advised the Governor on legal matters in a variety of areas, including separation of powers, legislative process and administrative law. He also led the development of the Governor's policy agenda and worked closely with legislators to secure successful passage of many key initiatives.

Prior to working in the Governor's Office, Lucas held the position of Assistant United States Attorney in the United States Attorney's Office - District of Nevada, where he prosecuted federal criminal cases, focusing on white collar matters including money laundering, mortgage fraud, tax fraud and investment fraud. He began his career as a law clerk for then U.S. District Court Judge Brian Sandoval.

### Offices

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## REPRESENTATIVE ENGAGEMENTS

- Represented several of the state's largest gaming companies in Nevada Power Company's general rate case.
- Represented a major Nevada data center company in connection with its application to exit NV Energy's system pursuant to NRS 704B.
- Represented national solar trade group in contested proceedings before the Public Utilities Commission regarding net metering.
- Represented leading provider of community solar programs in connection with successful passage of community solar legislation.



## AWARDS AND RECOGNITION

*Nevada Business Magazine* - "Legal Elite" (Government Attorneys)



## COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

Executive Member of the Energy, Utilities, and Communication  
Section for the Nevada State Bar

Nevada Coalition for Suicide Prevention

Member of City of Reno Charter Review Committee

Member of City of Reno Green Building Task Force

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