



Luse Gorman Strengthens Chicago Presence with Addition of Abdul Mitha

WASHINGTON, D.C., August 31, 2026 — Luse Gorman, one of the nation's preeminent banking law firms, announced today that Abdul Mitha has joined the firm as a Partner and Midwest Leader.

Based in Chicago, Mr. Mitha represents Luse Gorman's first attorney residing in the Midwest, enhancing the firm's ability to serve its longstanding client base throughout one of the nation's most active banking markets. He will continue advising banks, fintechs, boards of directors, and investors on mergers and acquisitions, capital raising transactions, corporate governance matters, and securities and regulatory issues. Mr. Mitha, who most recently served as a Partner at Barack Ferrazzano, is widely regarded as one of the nation's leading banking and transactional attorneys in the Midwest.

In a statement released by Luse Gorman - "Abdul is an exceptional lawyer whose combination of transactional, securities, and regulatory experience make him uniquely positioned to serve our clients. He has earned a strong reputation throughout the banking industry and shares our commitment to providing sophisticated, strategic counsel to financial institutions. We are thrilled to welcome him to the firm and are excited for him to lead our continued growth in the Midwest region."

"Luse Gorman has built one of the premier financial institutions practices in the country," said Mr. Mitha. "The firm's focus on the banking industry, track record in mergers and acquisitions, and deep bench of skilled attorneys create a tremendous platform for clients. I am excited to join the firm and help build on its success."

Mr. Mitha's addition comes on the heels of a record year for Luse Gorman's M&A practice. The firm served as counsel on 22 bank merger transactions in 2025, representing more than \$1.6 billion in aggregate deal consideration. This is the second consecutive year Luse Gorman had at least 20 merger transactions, an achievement no other law firm in the country has matched over that time. According to S&P Global Market Intelligence, Luse Gorman ranks No. 1 nationally in the number of bank merger transactions over the past 5, 10, and 20 years, and in the number of bank merger transactions for the first half of 2026.

About Luse Gorman

Luse Gorman, PC is a Washington, D.C.-based law firm that specializes in representing regional and community banks across the country. We represent state and federally chartered savings institutions and their holding companies, credit unions, fintechs and trust companies, as well as investment banks and private equity and venture capital firms that work with and invest in the financial services industry. Our attorneys have served with the federal banking and securities agencies and regularly engage with these agencies on a broad range of complex and novel compliance, regulatory, enforcement, transactional, application, and licensing issues. Our firm also specializes in mergers and acquisitions, capital raising transactions, general corporate and securities issues, and tax, executive compensation and employee benefits matters.



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