

**Michael Relyea, Esq.**

President, Luther Forest Technology Campus

Michael Relyea, at only 37-years-old, has already proven himself as a leader and visionary, transforming the industries in which he has worked. In his current position as the president of the Luther Forest Technology Campus Economic Development Corp (LFTC), Relyea oversees the day-to-day operations and the overall development of the 1,414-acre Luther Forest Technology Campus.

Located in the Towns of Malta and Stillwater in New York's Tech Valley, LFTC is a technology campus that will be the future home of GLOBAL-FOUNDRIES Fab 2, the most technologically advanced computer chip fabrication plant in the world. The campus has critical infrastructure in place, is "shovel-ready" and is an ideal place for businesses to build and grow.

Relyea works daily to coordinate the area's \$250-million+ investment through the building of approximately seven miles of roads, nine miles of electric transmission lines, campus utilities and the overall development of the site.

In his previous experience, Relyea showed that he understands how to lift both organizations and team members to their top level of success. He excels at bringing communities together. Relyea began his career working for the Committee for Economic Improvement as the Director for the Neighborhood Based Alliance. In this role he focused on upgrading the delivery of human services and developing community plans to distribute those services. Relyea was then appointed as a senior staff member of the New York State Senate, serving as a state and local government liaison, identifying state funding and policy initiatives that would benefit municipalities. Continuing his work in government, he worked in the office of Governor George Pataki.

Prior to joining LFTC, Relyea served as the Executive Director of the New York State Office of Science, Technology & Academic Research (NYSTAR). In that position, he was responsible for more than \$250 million in grants to universities, hospitals and other non-profits helping to grow NY's technology-based economy. He assisted businesses in creating jobs and fostering economic growth and advances in the fields of science, technology and innovation. He also increased productivity in program development by 80 percent and empowered his employees with the motivation to be more involved and excited for better teamwork and satisfaction.

As for his personal life, Relyea lives in Clifton Park with his wife, Maria, and their two children, Tom and Olivia, and is an active coach in the Clifton Park Youth Hockey Association.

