

## Governor Phil Murphy

# Governor Murphy Announces Departure of Chief Counsel Matt Platkin

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*Platkin to Depart Role Next Month to Pursue an Opportunity in the Private Sector*

**TRENTON** - Governor Murphy today announced that Chief Counsel Matt Platkin will depart the Murphy Administration next month to pursue an opportunity in the private sector. Platkin has served as Chief Counsel to the Governor since the beginning of the Administration in January 2018.

"For the past five years, Matt has been by my side counseling me on every single consequential decision I've made," **Governor Murphy** said. "From raising the minimum wage to \$15 an hour to enacting the nation's strongest equal pay legislation, Matt has served our Administration with integrity, talent, and a deep sense of purpose. I look forward to continuing to rely on his counsel as he begins the next chapter of his professional life."

"Serving Governor Murphy as Chief Counsel has been the honor of my lifetime," outgoing Chief Counsel **Matt Platkin** said. "From promoting commonsense gun safety to guaranteeing paid sick leave to reforming our criminal justice system, we've made meaningful progress to improve the lives of every New Jerseyan. I'd like to thank the Governor, Lieutenant Governor Oliver, First Lady, and my exceptional colleagues for giving me the opportunity to fight for a stronger and fairer New Jersey for every family, and I look forward to continuing to be part of the Murphy team in the years ahead."

Platkin will leave the Governor's Office in mid-October. An announcement on his successor will be made in the coming weeks.

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