

# F. Joseph Warin and Tory Lauterbach Speak to Law360 About Data Energy Policy

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Partners F. Joseph Warin and Tory Lauterbach [spoke with Law360](#) about how energy providers, utility commissions, and state legislatures across the U.S. are navigating the growing demand for data centers while managing infrastructure strain.

Joseph highlighted the tension between economic development goals and community concerns. “It is a dialectic that is unusual, because you have the economic development people saying, ‘I want nothing better than this,’ and then you have some subset of the citizenry that might say, ‘Well, I don’t want a data center in my backyard’.”

Tory pointed to Georgia as an example of a state where both natural conditions and regulatory clarity give developers confidence. “What it seems to me that a state like Georgia is doing is not just having an attractive environment, but also a predictable environment, where the data centers know what they’re getting into when they step into a process.”

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