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PRACTICE GROUP

Litigation

Patrick represents his clients in the prosecution and defense of many types of civil litigation matters, primarily in the areas of commercial and business litigation, torts, and complex defense litigation. He also has significant experience advising clients in the area of insurance coverage and the defense of professional claims. His extensive experience in commercial litigation has permitted him to successfully represent large multinational corporations in both state and federal courts across the country. Patrick has also successfully assisted clients in class actions involving consumer warranty and antitrust claims. A former law clerk for Wisconsin Supreme Court Justice Jon P. Wilcox, Patrick has utilized this opportunity, along with his litigation experience, to be involved in advising clients during various stages of both state and federal appellate proceedings.

Patrick Assists Clients With

- Commercial and Business Litigation
- Class Action Litigation
- Complex Defense Litigation
- Contract Litigation
- Insurance Litigation
- Real Estate and Construction Litigation
- Corporate and Shareholder Disputes
- Fair Dealership Litigation
- Intellectual Property Litigation
- Personal Injury Litigation
- Products Liability Defense
- Professional Negligence and Malpractice Litigation

Experience/Representative Client Work

- As one of the trial counsel for Mitsubishi Heavy Industries America, Inc., Patrick was one of a team of O'Neil, Cannon, Hollman, DeJong & Laing S.C. attorneys who successfully defended against a \$50 million damage claim and received \$18 million on a counterclaim relating to the lawsuit involving the radial retractable roof at Miller Park (the home of the Milwaukee Brewers). During the extensive discovery proceedings in this case, Patrick was issued a special deposition visa by the Japanese Embassy/ Consulate in the United States and spent nearly a month preparing for and defending the depositions of client project personnel at the United States Embassy/Consulate in Osaka, Japan.
- Successfully defended the contractual claims of a food vendor against a national grocer during a trial in federal court, resulting in a directed verdict in favor of his client.
- Following the collapse of a farming client's layer house, Patrick intervened in the subsequent investigation by engineers and insurance personnel and successfully



- obtained the recovery of insurance proceeds sufficient to reconstruct a modern facility and compensate his client for lost business income.
- Successfully defended a manufacturer from anti-trust allegations of patent infringement, trade dress infringement and unfair competition in federal court.
- Represented a manufacturer in the prosecution of a former employee for misappropriation of trade secrets and violation of a non-compete agreement resulting in the negotiation of a compensatory payment through mediation.

Professional Associations & Affiliations

- American Bar Association
- State Bar of Wisconsin
- Milwaukee Bar Association

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Awards/Distinctions

- Named one of "Milwaukee's Leading Lawyers" in Insurance by M Magazine in 2013 and 2014 and in Litigation in 2015 and 2016. Only 2-5% of the top ranked attorneys published by Avvo for each category, were recognized.
- Martindale-Hubbell® Peer Review Rating[™]-AV, reflecting an attorney who has
 reached the height of professional excellence and is recognized for the highest levels of
 skill and integrity.
- Selected for inclusion in Wisconsin Super Lawyers annually from 2007–2021, Law & Politics and Milwaukee Magazine.
- He was selected as one of the "Top 50 Lawyers" in Wisconsin by Super Lawyers/ Milwaukee Magazine in 2016 and 2017. The honor is given to the 50 Wisconsin attorneys receiving the highest point totals in the statewide balloting, research, and blue-ribbon peer review process, regardless of area of practice.
- He was selected as one of the "Top 25 Lawyers" in the Milwaukee area by Super Lawyers/Milwaukee Magazine in 2016 and 2017. The honor is given to the 25 Milwaukee area attorneys receiving the highest point totals in the statewide balloting, research, and blue-ribbon peer review process, regardless of area of practice.
- Selected for inclusion in Wisconsin Super Lawyer Rising Stars in 2006, Law & Politics and Milwaukee Magazine.
- He has been given a rating of 10.0 (out of a possible 10.0) by Avvo, a national attorney
 rating service which uses a mathematical model to rate attorneys based on experience,
 professional achievements, industry recognition and professional conduct.

Articles/Presentations

 Co-Author of the Evidence Chapter of the Wisconsin State Bar's annual book – Annual Survey of Wisconsin Law–since 2002.

Community Involvement

- Marguette University Law School Alumni Association Board of Directors
- Xavier University National Alumni Association, Board of Directors (Milwaukee Chapter)
- Volunteer, North Shore United Soccer Club
- Volunteer, Wisconsin Special Olympics



- Volunteer, Big Brothers/Big Sisters (Ozaukee County)
- Volunteer, St. Francis Borgia Catholic School

Education

- Marquette University Law School (J.D.)
- Xavier University (B.S., summa cum laude)

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