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Disputes
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Patrick represents clients in a wide range of public and private law matters, including administrative, regulatory, constitutional, human rights, commercial and criminal cases.

Patrick has worked on matters before all levels of court, including the Supreme Court of Canada, the Court of Appeal for Ontario, the Ontario Superior Court of Justice, the Ontario Court of Justice, and various boards.

Before joining BLG, Patrick articled in criminal defence and clerked for the Honourable Justice David Stratas at the Federal Court of Appeal. During law school, Patrick received the Lieutenant-Governor's Silver Medal for obtaining the highest class standing in his second and third years. He also received the Law Faculty Prize for being recognized as the most outstanding graduate. Throughout his studies, he concurrently served as a Naval Warfare Officer in the Royal Canadian Navy.

Experience

- Representing a public-interest charity in its intervention in a constitutional challenge by a provincial government.
- Successfully defending an animal refuge and charity against allegations by the College of Veterinarians of Ontario that the refuge was engaged in the practice of veterinarian medicine without a licence.
- Defending a client regulator against charges of malicious prosecution before the Ontario Superior Court of Justice.

- Defending a client energy company in a motion for leave to appeal before the Court of Appeal for Ontario.
- Prior to joining BLG – Defended corporate and individual clients against criminal charges before various courts, including the Court of Appeal for Ontario and the Ontario Superior Court of Justice.

Insights Rollup

- Author, "SCC holds that CRTC cannot resolve disputes for telecommunication carriers' access to 5G antennas on public land", BLG Article, August 2025
- Author, "Appeal right or appeal wrong? SCC finds only one reasonable interpretation of immigration appeal right", BLG Article, July 2025
- Author, "Supreme Court Finds that "Court procedures should facilitate, not impede, the just resolution of Aboriginal claims"", BLG Article, March 2025
- Author, "The SCC lowers the legal threshold for challenging the vires of subordinate legislation", BLG Article, November 2024
- Author, "Federal Court of Appeal finds lengthy and complex privacy policies breached meaningful consent", BLG Article, November 2024

Beyond Our Walls

Professional Involvement

- Member, The Advocates' Society
- Member, Criminal Lawyers' Association
- Member, Toronto Lawyers Association
- Member, Ontario Bar Association
- Member, Canadian Bar Association

Community Involvement

- Founder and past Vice President, Restorative Justice Society of New Brunswick
- Volunteer, Pro Bono Ontario Hotline
- Volunteer, UNB Law Tax Clinic
- Former reserve Officer, Royal Canadian Navy

Bar Admission & Education

- Ontario, 2023

- JD (Distinction; Lieutenant Governor's Silver Medal; Law Faculty Prize), University of New Brunswick, 2022
- BComm (Distinction), Concordia University, 2019

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