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Patrick concentrates on complex commercial litigation and employment matters, with an emphasis on the retail, franchising, and pharmaceutical industries. He regularly counsels businesses on a variety of employment matters and handles employment discrimination litigation and other employment-related disputes.

Patrick's experience includes:

- litigating a variety of breach of contract and Uniform Commercial Code claims, including a multi-million-dollar breach of contract suit for a pharmaceutical manufacturer
- handling claims relating to partnership and corporate dissension
- litigating restrictive covenant, stock option, and executive compensation claims
- defending national class actions regarding franchise system standards

### **Before Fox Rothschild**

At the University of Pittsburgh, Patrick was a 1989 Truman Scholar from Pennsylvania and president of his third-year law school class.

### **Beyond Fox Rothschild**

An Elder (and former Deacon) of the Community Presbyterian Church of Ben Avon, he is currently the Clerk of Session. Patrick is also an actor with Players and Dry Bones Productions as well as the Ben Avon Community Theatre, where he holds the position of Vice-President.

### **Client Resources**

#### **Franchise Law Update Blog**

Patrick is among the contributors to the firm's [Franchise Law Update blog](#), which highlights not only the regulatory aspects of franchising but also diverse topics such as business finance, employment, litigation and the protection of intellectual property including trademarks and copyrights.

### **Honors & Awards**

- Named to "Pennsylvania Rising Stars" by *Philadelphia Magazine* and *Law & Politics Magazine* (2006, 2007)

### **Practice Areas**

- Litigation
- Directors' & Officers' Liability & Corporate Governance
- Employee Privacy & Background Checks
- Employment Class Actions
- Employment Counseling, Policy Developments & Audits
- Employment Litigation
- Employment Training
- Franchising, Licensing & Distribution
- Labor & Employment
- Pharma & Biotech
- Unfair Competition & Trade Secrets
- Wage & Hour Law

### **Bar Admissions**

- Pennsylvania

### **Court Admissions**

- U.S. Court of Appeals, District of Columbia Circuit
- U.S. Court of Appeals, Third Circuit
- U.S. District Court, Western District of Pennsylvania
- U.S. Court of Appeals, Fourth Circuit

### **Education**

- University of Pittsburgh School of Law (J.D., *cum laude*, 1994)
- University of Pittsburgh (B.Phil., *summa cum laude*, 1991)

### **Memberships**

- American Bar Association
- Pennsylvania Bar Association
- Allegheny County Bar Association

## **News**

April 25, 2011

**Blawg of the Day - Franchise Law Update**

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November 15, 2010

**Franchise and the Law**

The Wall Street Journal

June 1, 2007

**Court Clears Way For Employees to File New Retaliation Lawsuits**

Pittsburgh Business Times