



Former U.S. Attorney for the Western District of Michigan, Patrick Miles focuses his practice on corporate compliance, investigations, monitorships, corporate governance, and business transactions. He brings clients over 30 years of experience as both a business counselor and federal prosecutor.

Patrick represents and advises companies ranging in size from small local startups and private ventures to large publicly held international corporations. His clients appreciate his knowledge of the law as well as his ability to provide practical advice and legal solutions rather than obstacles. He seeks win-win outcomes in negotiations and brings a business approach to legal challenges.

Notably, Patrick served as U.S. Attorney for the Western District of Michigan from July 2012 to January 2017 by appointment of President Barack Obama. As a federal prosecutor, he focused on prosecuting those who exploited children, committed violent crimes or defrauded taxpayers, seniors and institutions, as well as on improving relations between law enforcement and the communities they serve. Patrick also worked to prevent crime and helped people from becoming victims. Serving as the chief federal law enforcement and legal officer in Western Michigan's 49 counties provided him with unique insights into a wide variety of federal criminal and civil legal matters, as well as exposure to local, tribal, state and federal government officials.

Prior to his time in public service, Patrick spent over 20 years in private practice for large law firms in Grand Rapids, where he counseled clients on entity formation, equity and debt financing transactions, mergers and acquisitions, minority and women-owned business formation, financing and certification, contracts and Michigan liquor licensing.

He also represented local governments nationwide in connection with telecommunications provider public right-of-way management and litigation, cable television franchising, rate regulation and customer service, cellular antenna leases, as well as Federal Communications Commission litigation, rulemakings and proceedings.

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EDUCATION

Harvard Law School, (J.D.), editor-in-chief of the Harvard Law Record, 1991

Aquinas College, (B.S.), business administration, majoring in economics, 1988

BAR ADMISSIONS

Michigan

COURT ADMISSIONS

U.S. Supreme Court

U.S. Court of Appeals for the Sixth Circuit

U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Michigan

U.S. District Court for the Western District of Michigan

LANGUAGES

English

PRACTICES

Compliance and Monitorships

Corporate

Creditors' Rights, Restructuring and Bankruptcy

Financial and Regulatory Litigation

Litigation

Native American Law and Policy

White Collar and Investigations

Patrick is an active volunteer in the community and a frequent author and speaker to professional audiences on legal issues, professionalism, diversity and inclusion and to youth audiences regarding leadership and service. He offers an extraordinary perspective to teenage audiences, as he graduated from high school at age 16.

INDUSTRIES

Corporate Governance and
Sarbanes-Oxley

Telecommunications

Professional and Community Involvement

Former president, Grand Rapids Bar Association, 2004-2005

Former trustee, Grand Rapids Bar Association, 1999-2002

Former board of trustees chairman, Aquinas College

Former board chairman, Inner-City Christian Fellowship/Nonprofit Housing Corporation

Former board treasurer, Hope Network

Former board treasurer, Spectrum Health Hospitals

Former board president, Grand Rapids Black Chamber of Commerce

Honors

Grand Rapids Magazine Top Lawyers, 2022-2023

Grand Rapids Business Journal's Notable West Michigan Lawyers, 2023

Michigan Super Lawyers, 2006-2011

Michigan Jaycees, Outstanding Young Michigander Award, 2005

State Bar of Michigan Outstanding Young Lawyer Award, 1996

Grand Rapids Business Journal's 40 Under 40 business leaders, 2002, 2005 and 2007

Number of other awards from the Grand Rapids Chamber of Commerce, West Michigan United Way, NAACP, Grand Rapids Jaycees, and National Organization of Black Law Enforcement Executives