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Patrick Degnan structures and executes complex corporate transactions for companies at every stage of growth, with a focus on entity formation, mergers and acquisitions, private placements, tax structuring, corporate governance and executive compensation.

He advises founders and companies from inception through exit, with a focus on their near, mid- and long-term objectives. In the initial stages of formation, Patrick guides clients through choosing entity structures, preparing corporate governance documents and structuring founders' equity. As businesses evolve, he guides capital restructurings, refines governance frameworks and advises on strategic acquisitions. He also leads later-stage transactions and manages all phases of the sale process, including pre-closing restructurings and negotiating purchase agreements.

Patrick brings a strong tax and accounting background to his transactional work, pairing legal judgment with financial fluency. He develops and analyzes transaction models and collaborates closely with accounting and finance teams to align deal structure with clients' financial objectives.

Education

- DePaul Driehaus School of Business (M.B.A., 2014)
- University of Illinois Chicago School of Law (J.D., 2010)
- Miami University of Ohio (B.A., 2006)

Bar Admissions

- Arizona
- Illinois

Court Admissions

- U.S. District Court, Northern District of Illinois

Capabilities

- Mergers, Acquisitions & Divestitures
- Corporate & Transactional
- Tax

Matters

- Represented a home builder in connection with an asset sale to a strategic buyer.
- Represented offerors in connection with the formation of a real estate joint venture with a publicly traded REIT to develop multi-family housing projects.
- Represented an actuarial and consulting firm in a sale to a private equity buyer.
- Represented a general contractor in connection with a sale to a private equity buyer.
- Represented an insurance consulting firm in a rollup sale to a private equity buyer.
- Represented numerous business owners in connection with business divorces and related restructuring transactions.
- Represented numerous real estate investors in connection with the formation of Tenancies-In-Common for purposes of qualifying for non-recognition under Internal Revenue Code Section 1031.