# BUSINESS LAW STREAM



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#### EDUCATION

Union College (B.A., 1973, cum laude with distinction in Political Science)

Case Western Reserve University (J.D., 1976) An Editor of Law Review

#### **PRACTICE AREAS**

Banking & Finance **Business Law** Real Estate Securities Law

#### **BAR AND COURT ADMISSIONS**

Rhode Island (1983)

Massachusetts (1986)

Ohio (1976)

United States Court of Appeals for the Sixth Circuit (1979)



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# PATRICK A. GUIDA, PARTNER

# **OVERVIEW**

Patrick Guida has been providing legal services to institutional banking clients throughout New England for more than three decades, and previously served as in-house counsel for two major banks. Recently, he was recognized by Best Lawyers as the 2019 "Lawyer of the Year" for Banking and Finance in the Providence metro region.

He is known for his precision in complex financing transactions, often representing institutional lenders and borrowers — including major banks — in deals involving historic redevelopment, economic development bonds, affordable housing, and private business acquisition and expansion. He has established a special expertise in the financing of healthcare provider transactions. He is experienced in sophisticated syndicated and participated deals, representing lead and agent bank lenders.

Patrick also represents major real estate developers in their project development, permitting, borrowing and leasing transactions, including major development projects within the Capital Center District in downtown Providence. Patrick brings to the table a wealth of alternative financing options that help divergent parties reach mutually beneficial accord and compromise during the negotiation process.

# **EXPERIENCE**

Patrick has represented several national and regional lending institutions in the structuring, documenting and implementation of numerous financing transactions including:

- Major commercial and industrial development projects.
- Federal and State historic tax credit redevelopments of several major, commercial and multifamily residential projects.
- State and state agency issue industrial development bond transactions.
- State and state agency issue health and educational institution bond transactions.

## RECOGNITION

From the Chambers USA guide for 2018: Patrick Guida leads the firm's banking and finance practice and specializes in complex financing transactions, particularly within the healthcare industry. He is also involved in matters dealing with economic development bonds and private business acquisition. Clients praise his "impressive" work and describe him as an "extremely qualified, highly experienced attorney who provides excellent counsel."

Active in the leadership of notable professional groups locally and nationally, Patrick has served (since 2012) as one of the five Rhode Island members of The National Conference of Commissioners on Uniform State Laws, also commonly known as the Uniform Law Commission.

Patrick was recently elected (in 2018) to the Executive Committee of the American College of Commercial Finance Lawyers (ACCFL). He was the first Fellow (2011), first Regent (2013) and first Officer (2018) elected from Rhode Island in the history of the organization. Election to the ACCFL is based on commercial finance law focus; preeminence in the field; and substantial contributions to learning and scholarship through teaching, lecturing or published writings.

He has been the program chair and a speaker for both the American Law Institute-Continuing Legal Education "Commercial Lending Today" program (since 1998) and for the Rhode Island Bar Association Annual "Commercial Law Update" (since 2010).

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#### PATRICK A. GUIDA, PARTNER continued

Patrick was honored in 2014 as a Distinguished Service Award winner by the National Association of State Boards of Education, the highest honor the NASBE can bestow on a state board of education member. Most recently, he was recognized by *Best Lawyers* as the 2019 "Lawyer of the Year" for Banking and Finance Law in the Providence metro region. Patrick earned additional recognition in the area of Commercial Finance Law.



#### COMMUNITY

Professional & Community Involvement

- Commissioner. National Conference of Commissioners on Uniform State Laws
- *Executive Committee Member, Secretary, Regent and Fellow:* American College of Commercial Finance Lawyers
- *Member:* Rhode Island Bar Association House of Delegates, Continuing Legal Education Committee, and Creditors-Debtors Rights Committee
- Fellow: Rhode Island Bar Foundation
- Chair of Rhode Island Fellows: American Bar Foundation
- Co-Chair: Barrington Building Committee for \$68.4 million middle-school project
- Past President: National Association of State Boards of Education
- Past Vice-Chair: Rhode Island Board of Education
- Past Chair: Rhode Island Board of Education Council on Elementary and Secondary Education
- Past Member and Former Chair: Barrington (Rhode Island) School Board

### PRESENTATIONS & PUBLICATIONS

Patrick presented at the 2018 ALI-CLE conference in New York in May on the topic of "Advanced Commercial Finance 2018: Critical Issues Below the Surface."

He was one of three authors for "Sample Nonrecourse Loan Carveout and Springing Recourse Provisions with Borrower Comments" published by the American Law Institute in February of 2017.

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