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## Education

LL.M., Columbia Law School, 2012  
LL.B., University of Sydney, 2010  
B.Lib.Stud., University of Sydney, 2006

## Bar Admissions

High Court of Australia  
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Patrick Lewis focuses on mergers and acquisitions, corporate finance and private equity, primarily in the financial services industry. Mr. Lewis represents acquirers, sellers, targets and financial advisors in a wide variety of transactions, including private and public acquisitions and divestitures (including auctions), joint ventures, reinsurance, capital raising transactions and other corporate matters.

Significant U.S. and cross-border transactions include the representation of:

- XL Group Ltd in its \$15.3 billion acquisition by AXA SA;
- Endurance Specialty Holdings Ltd. in its \$6.3 billion acquisition by Sampo Holdings, Inc.;
- Validus Holdings, Ltd. in its:
  - \$5.6 billion acquisition by American International Group, Inc.; and
  - \$690 million acquisition of Western World Insurance Group;
- Stone Point Capital LLC in its \$2.7 billion going-private acquisition of AmTrust Financial Services, Inc., together with the Karfunkel and Zyskind families;
- Fidelity & Guaranty Life in its \$1.835 billion merger with CF Corporation, a special purpose acquisition company backed by existing shareholders Blackstone Funds and Fidelity National Financial, Inc., and its proposed (now terminated) \$1.6 billion merger with Anbang Insurance Group Co., Ltd.;
- State Farm in the \$1.46 billion sale of its Canadian insurance businesses and financial services companies to Desjardins Group;
- Delaware Life in its \$1.35 billion acquisition of the U.S. annuity business and certain life insurance businesses of Sun Life Financial Inc.;
- Markel Corporation in its acquisition of Nephila Holdings Ltd.;
- Highmark Inc. in its sale of Davis Vision, Inc. and a minority interest in Visionworks of America, Inc. to Centerbridge Partners, L.P.;
- State National Companies, Inc. in its \$919 million acquisition by Markel Corporation;
- The Travelers Companies, Inc. in its:
  - \$490 million acquisition of Simply Business Holdings Ltd, the U.K.'s largest online distributor for small- and medium-sized business insurance; and
  - acquisition of a majority interest in the property casualty business of its J. Malucelli joint venture in Brazil;
- Banco BTG Pactual S.A. in its acquisition of Ariel Re from Global Atlantic Financial Group Limited and its subsequent sale of Ariel Re to Argo Group International Holdings, Ltd.; and
- Citigroup Inc. in its:
  - transfer of a coinsurance agreement covering a block of term life insurance policies written by Primerica Life Insurance Company to a subsidiary of Swiss Re Life & Health America Inc. The transaction resulted in a reduction of \$2.5 billion of assets from Citi Holdings' balance sheet; and
  - sale of Financial Reassurance Company 2010, Ltd., which coinsures a block of term life insurance policies written by Primerica Life Insurance Company of Canada to a subsidiary of Munich Re.