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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

New York

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Patrick Lewis focuses on advising clients on public and private mergers, acquisitions, dispositions (including auctions) and corporate governance, with extensive experience in highly regulated industries, including insurance and asset management.

Mr. Lewis has been repeatedly recognized by leading legal directories and rankings, including *Chambers USA*, *The Legal 500 US*, *IFLR1000*, *The M&A Advisor* and *Lawdragon*'s 500 Leading Dealmakers in America. He has also received a Burton Award for Distinguished Legal Writing, one of the highest literary honors in law.

Clients have praised him as "incredibly smart, diligent and a joy to work with," "a strong lawyer with great negotiation skills" and "an extremely responsive and practical practitioner." They also point to his commercial judgment, noting "he is exceptional. He combines knowledge of what's happening in the market and how that applies to your company and what you're trying to achieve. You get customized and cutting-edge advice."

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

Asset Management

- BlackRock, Inc. in its:
  - $12.5 billion acquisition of Global Infrastructure Partners
  - $12 billion acquisition of HPS Investment Partners
  - $3.2 billion acquisition of Preqin
  - acquisition of ElmTree Funds
- CI Financial in its $8.66 billion acquisition by Mubadala Capital
- Janus Henderson Group plc in its $7.9 billion acquisition by Trian Fund Management and General Catalyst
- The Vanguard Group, Inc. in its pending acquisition of Altruist Corp.
- Massachusetts Mutual Life Insurance Company in the $2.35 billion sale of its retirement plan business to Empower Retirement
- CC Capital in its:
  - $2.2 billion acquisition of Insignia Financial Ltd
  - $250 million investment in The Westaim Corporation
- Markel Corporation in its acquisition of Nephila Holdings Ltd.
- Manulife Financial Corporation in its $937.5 million acquisition of Comvest Credit Partners
- Mubadala Capital in its multifaceted, multibillion-dollar strategic investment alliance with TWG Global

Insurance

- Willis Towers Watson in its proposed (now terminated) $30 billion combination with Aon plc
- Corebridge Financial, Inc. in its pending $22 billion merger with Equitable Holdings, Inc.
- XL Group Ltd in its $15.3 billion acquisition by AXA SA
- Apollo Global Management, Inc. in its $11 billion merger with Athene Holding Ltd.
- Brown & Brown in its $9.8 billion acquisition of Accession Risk Management Group, Inc.

- Endurance Specialty Holdings Ltd. in its $6.3 billion acquisition by Sompo Holdings, Inc.
- Validus Holdings, Ltd. in its $5.6 billion acquisition by American International Group, Inc.
- Brookfield Reinsurance Ltd. in its $5.1 billion acquisition of American National Group, Inc.
- Aquarian Capital LLC in its pending $4.1 billion acquisition of Brighthouse Financial, Inc.
- CNP Assurances S.A. in its pending $4 billion acquisition of the Brazilian and Mexican businesses of Prudential Financial, Inc.
- Sompo Holdings, Inc. in its $3.5 billion acquisition of Aspen Insurance Holdings Limited
- American Financial Group, Inc. in the $3.5 billion sale of its annuity business to Massachusetts Mutual Life Insurance Company
- Privilege Underwriters, Inc. in its $3.1 billion acquisition by Tokio Marine Holdings, Inc.
- American Equity Investment Life Holding Company in its response to the unsolicited acquisition proposal by Athene Holding Ltd. and Massachusetts Mutual Life Insurance Company
- 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:
  - $2.7 billion acquisition by Fidelity National Financial Inc.
  - $1.835 billion merger with CF Corporation, a special purpose acquisition company backed by The Blackstone Group, Inc. and Fidelity National Financial, Inc., and its proposed (now terminated) $1.6 billion merger with Anbang Insurance Group Co., Ltd.
- The Travelers Companies, Inc. in the $2.4 billion sale of its Canadian business to Definity Financial Corporation
- Liberty Mutual Holding Company Inc. in its acquisition of State Automobile Mutual Insurance Company and its publicly traded subsidiary State Auto Financial Corporation
- Argo Group International Holdings, Ltd. in its $1.1 billion acquisition by Brookfield Reinsurance Ltd.
- Ameriprise Financial, Inc. in the $1.05 billion sale of its auto and home insurance business to American Family Insurance Mutual Holding Company
- State National Companies, Inc. in its $919 million acquisition by Markel Corporation

Life Sciences and Health Care

- Catalent, Inc. in its $16.5 billion acquisition by Novo Holdings
- Endo Health Solutions in its $1.6 billion acquisition of Paladin Labs Inc.
- Mylan Inc. its $1.6 billion acquisition of the Agila injectables businesses from Strides Arcolab Limited
- Highmark Inc. in its:
  - affiliation with HealthNow New York Inc. d/b/a BlueCross BlueShield of Western New York and BlueShield of Northeastern New York
  - sale of Davis Vision, Inc. and a minority interest in Visionworks of America, Inc. to Centerbridge Partners, L.P. and the subsequent sale of Visionworks of America, Inc. to Vision Services Plan

Mining and Metals

- Steel Dynamics, Inc. in its proposed $10.6 billion acquisition of BlueScope Steel Limited, together with SGH Limited
- MAC Copper Limited in its $1 billion acquisition by Harmony Gold Mining Company Limited

Mr. Lewis also has represented numerous companies and boards of directors regarding shareholder activism, including Argo Group International Holdings, Ltd. in its successful proxy contest defense against Capital Returns Management and Principal Financial Group, Inc. in its response to, and settlement with, Elliott Associates, L.P.