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Patrick Lawler, a partner of the firm and member of both the Commercial Lending Practice Group and Entertainment Practice Group, is a seasoned business lawyer with an exceptional array of transactional and advisory experience, particularly in finance. With more than 20 years of experience at large international law firms, Patrick is widely recognized as a leading practitioner in the field of banking and finance based on his impressive transactional track record. Patrick's extensive experience has made him a valued legal resource for major and middle market domestic and international clients.

Patrick represents significant investment funds, major commercial banks and a variety of operating companies in a wide range of leveraged and corporate finance transactions, including domestic and cross-border acquisition finance, asset-based lending facilities, project financings, structured financings and restructurings. Patrick's practice also includes representing movie and production studios, independent production studios and their investors in various acquisition and financing activities.

At ease with the most technically demanding of projects, Patrick has guided clients through the legal complexities of billions of dollars of often large-scale but usually middle market, multijurisdictional transactions. He regularly advises on all aspects of deal structure, negotiation and documentation, including the negotiation of intercreditor relationships among senior and junior creditors.

### Practice Areas

- ➔ Commercial Lending, Structured Finance & Venture Debt
- ➔ Financial Institutions
- ➔ Corporate
- ➔ Mergers & Acquisitions
- ➔ Entertainment & Media
- ➔ Bankruptcy & Creditors' Rights

## Admissions

- ➔ State Bar of California
- ➔ State Bar of New York

## Education

- ➔ University of Chicago, J.D., 1992: National Merit Scholarship
- ➔ Stanford University, A.B., Classical Studies, 1989: honors and distinction; Phi Beta Kappa; Recipient: Classics Undergraduate Scholarship; Fairclough Prize; Andersen Prize

## Representative Clients

- ➔ Acquisitions and Acquisition Finance
- ➔ Structured Transactions and Project Finance
- ➔ Entertainment Financings
- ➔ Asset Based Loans
- ➔ Cash Flow and Enterprise Value Loans
- ➔ Capital Markets
- ➔ Real Estate
- ➔ Bridge and Convertible Debt Financings
- ➔ Other Transactions and Financings

## Recent Publications

- ➔ VLP Partner Patrick Lawler Authors Daily Journal Article “Convertible Lenders Need to Stay Up With Debt Market Trends”  
(Jan 31, 2018)

## Blog Posts

- ➔ Convertible Debt “Matures”  
(Feb 2, 2018)
- ➔ Blockchain Technology and Structured Finance

(Nov 29, 2017)