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Main Bio

Patrick Paul's practice is concentrated in environmental and toxic tort litigation, including asbestos and pollution claims. He also provides environmental and land use counseling, including lobbying, Clean Water Act Section 404 permitting and compliance, associated with siting and construction of master planned communities, industrial, and power generating facilities, and administrative dispute resolution.

Education

- Vanderbilt University, School of Law (J.D., 1992)
 - Managing Editor, Vanderbilt Journal of Transnational Law
- State University of New York at Albany (B.A., magna cum laude, 1988)
- Institute of Public Administration, Dublin, Ireland, (1987)

Professional Memberships & Activities

- American Bar Association
 - Editorial Board, Natural Resources & Environment Magazine
- Arizona Manufacturers Council, Member
- Arizona Mining Association, Member
- Arizona Chamber of Commerce & Industry
 - Public Affairs Committee
- The Federation of Defense and Corporate Counsel, Member
- International Association of Defense Counsel, Member
- Defense Research Institute
 - Pacific Region Director
- Valley Partnership
- State Law Resources, Inc., Board of Directors
- State Bar of Arizona, Environmental Section, Past Chair
- Arizona Association of Defense Counsel, Past President
- Vanderbilt Law School National Council, Past Member
- Air & Waste Management Association

- Grand Canyon Section, Past President, Board of Directors

Representative Presentations & Publications

- "[EPA Seeks Comment on Further PFAS Regulation](#)," Co-Author, S&W Environmental, Natural Resources, Oil and Gas Law Blog (December 9, 2019)
- "[PFAS: The Forever Chemicals Gaining Regulatory Attention](#)," Co-Author, S&W Environmental, Natural Resources, Oil and Gas Law Blog (December 3, 2019)
- "[Airbnb Declares End to Party!](#)" Author, Snell & Wilmer Real Estate Litigation Blog (November 4, 2019)
- "[Log It or Lose It: New Economic Opportunities Open as the Forest Service Changes Its Management Tactics in Northern Arizona](#)," Co-Author, S&W Environmental, Natural Resources, Oil and Gas Law Blog (October 22, 2019)
- "[Federal Law to Prohibit Low Flying Drones Proposed](#)," Author, Snell & Wilmer Environmental, Natural Resources, Oil and Gas Law Blog (October 17, 2019)
- "[UPS Wins Race to Become First FAA Certified Drone Airline Operator](#)," Author, Snell & Wilmer Environmental, Natural Resources, Oil and Gas Law Blog (October 18, 2019)
- "[Museum Fire Impact: \\$12M+ and That's Just the Money!](#)" Author, Snell & Wilmer Environmental, Natural Resources, Oil and Gas Law Blog (September 4, 2019)
- "[FAA to Limit Restrictions on Drone Use Near Federal Facilities](#)," Author, Snell & Wilmer Environmental, Natural Resources, Oil and Gas Law Blog (September 3, 2019)
- "[Short-Term Rental Legislation & Litigation On the Way](#)," Author, Snell & Wilmer Real Estate Litigation blog (September 3, 2019)
- "[Drones and Forest Fires - Leave It to the Pros](#)," Author, Snell & Wilmer Environmental, Natural Resources, Oil and Gas Law Blog (July 20, 2019)
- "[Arizona Slashes Medical Marijuana Card Cost in Half, Requires Testing](#)," Author, Snell & Wilmer Legal Alert (June 25, 2019)
- "[9th Circ. Deems EPA Pesticide Action Sufficient, For Now](#)," Author, Law360 (August 24, 2017)
- "[State Law Resources: An Interesting Perspective on Law Firm Networks](#)," Interviewed by Ari Kaplan, Author of Reinventing Professional Services (February 19, 2016)
- "[Future Regulation of 'Waters of the United States'](#)," Co-Author, ABA Natural Resources and Environment, Vol. 29, No. 2 (Fall 2014)
- "[EPA Issues Proposed Rule to Significantly Reduce Carbon Dioxide Emissions](#)," Co-Author, Snell & Wilmer Legal Alert (July 10, 2014)
- "Handbook of Environmental Fluid Dynamics: Overview and Fundamentals," Contributing Author, CRC Press (2013)
- "[Environmental Due Diligence Standards: Present and Future](#)," Author, Westlaw Journal Environmental, Vol. 33, Issue 25 (June 26, 2013)
- "[Current Developments in U.S. Food Regulation](#)," Author, ABA Natural Resources and Environment, Vol. 27, No. 4 (Spring 2013)
- "[Toward More Rational Environmental Enforcement](#)," Author, ABA National Resources & Environment, Vol. 26, No.4 (Spring 2012)
- "The Maricopa County PM-10 5% Plan: An Overview of EPA's Proposed Disapproval," Co-Author,

Arizona State Law Journal, 43 Ariz. St. L.J. 879 (2011)

- "[Lender Liability for Clean Water Compliance](#)," Co-Author, ABA Natural Resources and Environment, Vol. 25, No. 4 (Spring 2011)
- "[GHG Regulation Is Here to Stay](#)," Author, ABA Natural Resources and Environment, Vol. 24, No. 4 (Spring 2010)
- "Incentives for New Owners Under EPA's Audit Policy," Author, ABA Natural Resources and Environment (Winter 2009)
- "Practical Ideas to Limit Exposure in a Litigious, Moldy World," Cavco Industries, Inc. (May 2005)
- "Frye or Daubert in Arizona: A Case Study," Author, Arizona Association of Defense Council (January 2005)
- "Environmental Liability & Commercial Lending," Author, First National Bank of Arizona (December 2004)
- "Mold and Legal Liabilities in Arizona," Author, Long Realty Company and Hogan School of Real Estate (January 2003)
- "Litigating the Mold Case," Construction Defect Seminar, Arizona Association of Defense Counsel (November 2001)
- "Bill of Rights, A New Arizona Law Affects Regulatory Agency Inspections," Arizona Journal (1998)
- "Hazardous Waste, Superfund and Reporting Chapters," Maricopa County Bar Association Environmental Handbook, Maricopa County Bar Association (1997)

Professional Recognition & Awards

- Outstanding Mentor of the Year, ASU Sandra Day O'Connor College of Law, Mentorship Initiative in Sustainability Law (2017)
- The Best Lawyers in America®, Environmental Law, Government Relations Practice, Environmental Litigation (2006-2020)
- Chambers USA: America's Leading Lawyers for Business®, Environment (including water rights) (2009-2019)
- Southwest Super Lawyers®, Environmental Litigation (2007-2019)
- Arizona's Finest Lawyers
- Best of the Bar, The Phoenix Business Journal

Community Involvement

- UPWARD for Children & Families, Board of Directors (2018-present)
- Arizona Diamondbacks Foundation, Board of Directors
- St. Joseph the Worker, Board Member
 - "The mission of St. Joseph the Worker is to assist homeless, low-income and other disadvantaged individuals in their efforts to become self-sufficient through quality employment."
- City of Phoenix
 - Zoning Adjustment Hearing Officer
 - Board of Adjustment, Past-Chairman
- Arizona Celtic Bar Association, Founding Member and President

- Irish Cultural & Learning Foundation, Board Member
- Central Phoenix / East Valley Light Rail Transit Project, Citizen Member
- Trained over 300 Arizona teachers in environmental education
- Former Valley Big Brother
- City of Phoenix Bond Committee, Arts and Culture Subcommittee, Past Member
- Upward Foundation, Past Member, Board of Directors

Other Professional Experience

- Gallagher & Kennedy, Phoenix, AZ (1992-1996)
- Gould & Wilkie, New York, NY (1988-1990)

Bar Admissions

- Arizona

Court Admissions

- Supreme Court of Arizona
- United States District Court, District of Arizona
- United States Court of Appeals, Ninth Circuit