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education

Loyola University New Orleans College of Law
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Tulane University (B.A., 1988, *summa cum laude*)

admissions

Louisiana

Supreme Court of Louisiana

U.S. Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit

U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Louisiana

U.S. District Court for the Middle District of Louisiana

U.S. District Court for the Western District of Louisiana

U.S. District Court for the Northern District of Texas

U.S. District Court for the Southern District of Texas

honors

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As an academic-oriented attorney, I enjoy researching and writing, and I’m told that’s what I do very well. I take a steady, unemotional approach to my work. I stay grounded in a realistic view of client matters, which allows me to ferret out legal defense strengths and weaknesses. By conveying clear messages to clients and the tribunal, our clients’ matters can be resolved efficiently and effectively.

Patrick O’Cain has handled the defense of products liability claims for more than 30 years. He lends his writing and researching skills to help the firm’s products liability defense lawyers with motion practices, discovery, appeals, and litigation. He adapts his work to the specifics of each jurisdiction and closely follows the facts of each matter, the rules of law, and the rules of the jurisdiction where the case is being litigated. Patrick enjoys the intellectual challenge of appellate issues and the opportunity to work on legal defense matters that lead to a change in the law.

Patrick also represents clients in products liability cases primarily related to Louisiana’s specific civil action of redhibition. This is a version of the “lemon laws” which are more common in other parts of the United States. Louisiana’s redhibition cases are similar to breach of applied warranty

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affiliations

Professional

- Louisiana State Bar Association

cases while less strict in terms of what a claimant must prove and what must be done to defend it.

Redhibition law can be unpredictable and thus frustrating for companies to defend. A \$25,000 product with a warranty claim, for example, could theoretically end up supporting a \$100,000 verdict. Patrick diligently works to keep clients informed about the twists and turns that these cases often take and strives to give clients a realistic overview of the vagaries and peculiarities of the redhibition process.