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## PRACTICE AREAS

Energy  
Corporate & Business  
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## COURT MEMBERSHIPS

- Colorado
- California
- Montana
- New Mexico
- North Dakota
- Oklahoma
- South Dakota
- Texas
- Wyoming
- U.S. District Court for the District of North Dakota
- U.S. District Court for the District of Wyoming

# Patrick B. McRorie

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**Clients say Patrick is instrumental in helping them achieve their business objectives. He works collaboratively and understands every client's business and needs. One oil and gas client representative said, "Patrick understands our business and the challenges we face. His face-to-face meetings are invaluable, breaking down barriers and facilitating effective communication. Our initial discussions have paid off considerably." [Patrick is] "an irreplaceable part of our team." The land supervisor of another energy client said, "Patrick is one who always offers creative solutions. We've been able to rely on him and the team to produce consistent work product."**

Patrick's deep understanding of and proficiency in the energy sector make him an indispensable partner to the land departments of large, independent and public Exploration and Production (E&P) companies navigating the complex world of energy law. A member of Lathrop GPM's executive committee, Patrick leads the firm's Energy team and is Partner in Charge of the Denver office.

He excels in nurturing relationships with clients, establishing long-term, meaningful and substantive partnerships that go beyond mere formalities. Instead of simply functioning as a lawyer, Patrick sees himself as a passionate business partner who delivers honest, straightforward advice, even when the conversation may be challenging.

When working with oil and gas clients, Patrick is regularly relied upon to provide many types of legal counsel. He:

## EDUCATION

California Western School of Law, J.D., 2006

University of Oklahoma, B.A., 2004

- Advises clients of the implications of complex working interest assignments and contracts.
- Counsels clients on efficiencies around surface location consolidation to lower surface impact and enable clients to bring oil and gas to market more efficiently.
- Provides counsel related to potential risks in anticipation of drilling large development projects prior to necessary regulatory approvals.
- Manages large scale acquisition due diligence.

In his pursuit of excellence, Patrick drives himself and his team to improve continuously, to communicate openly and efficiently with clients, and to be as impeccable as possible. He is dedicated to understanding clients' needs, including being licensed in nine states, and proactively sets clients up for success. Patrick works tirelessly to make clients' lives easier which is a cornerstone of his work ethic. Clients appreciate Patrick's unwavering commitment to delivering the highest quality results.

Patrick continues to shape the energy sector in Denver and beyond. Despite his many responsibilities, he never loses sight of what really matters—the relationships he builds and the value he provides to clients. His work has made him a trusted figure in the energy sector.

## WHEN ASKED ...

### What inspires you about the practice of law?

The practice of energy law has always inspired and intrigued me on several levels. As a child, I was drawn to the complexities of law and the analytical challenges it posed. It fascinated me to interpret, analyze, and provide counsel around societal guidelines - showing me the power and responsibility of the legal profession. However, what truly resonates with me is the energy aspect of my law practice. This field is not just about laws and regulations; it's about powering our communities and making a tangible impact on the world. We provide the infrastructure for cities, counties, and states, and create numerous jobs across Colorado and throughout the West and Midwest. It's rewarding to know that our work positively affects so many lives and

contributes significantly to the economy. Furthermore, the energy industry is filled with passionate, dedicated individuals who inspire me daily. Their commitment to this crucial sector and the difference they make is truly remarkable. I am proud to be a part of this community and contribute to its continuous growth and development.

### **What do you do outside of work?**

When I am not engaged in the intricate world of energy law, I find solace in the outdoors, often spending my free time mountain biking and hiking with my family. These activities allow me to unplug and recharge and offer an opportunity to delve deeper into the natural beauty that Colorado offers - a reminder of the importance of our work in the energy sector. In addition, I am actively involved in the academic journey of my children. As a part of the booster club for their Catholic school, I take pride in contributing to their educational environment, reinforcing the values of learning and growth that I deeply cherish.

### **Publications**

- Author, "Why Investing in Clean and Efficient Energy Production is a Boon for Oil and Gas," *Oil and Gas Investor*, April 17, 2023

### **In The News**

- Law.com Features Lathrop GPM Managing Partner Cameron Garrison and Denver Partner-in-Charge Patrick McRorie on Office Growth with Lateral Hires  
February 22, 2024
- Carbon Herald Quotes Partner Patrick McRorie on 2024 U.S. Oil & Gas Leadership Trends in New Lathrop GPM Report  
January 26, 2024
- Hart Energy Quotes Partner Patrick McRorie on New Oil & Gas Report, 2024 Trends  
January 23, 2024
- Colorado Real Estate Journal Features Lathrop GPM Partner Patrick McRorie, Denver Office Relocation to Block 162  
October 5, 2022
- Law Week Colorado Features Lathrop GPM's New Denver Office Hoteling Model in Block 162  
September 21, 2022

- World Oil Features Lathrop GPM Oil & Gas Market Update Report in Industry Trends Report  
April 1, 2022
- General Counsel News Quotes Partner Patrick McRorie and Chief Operating Officer Court Landon on Denver Office Relocation  
February 2, 2022
- Attorney At Law Magazine Features Lathrop GPM Focus on Growth with Denver Office Relocation  
February 1, 2022
- Bisnow Quotes Lathrop GPM Partner Patrick McRorie on Denver Office Relocation to Block 162  
February 1, 2022
- Law.com Quotes Patrick McRorie on Law Firm Trends  
January 31, 2022
- Mile High CRE Quotes Lathrop GPM Partner Patrick McRorie on Denver Office Relocation  
January 31, 2022
- BusinessDen Quotes Partner Patrick McRorie on Denver Office Move  
January 28, 2022
- Law Week Colorado Mentions Lathrop GPM Denver Office Relocation to Block 162  
January 28, 2022
- Law.com Features Profile on Patrick McRorie  
July 20, 2021

## News Releases

- Patrick McRorie Named Among Top 25 Young Professionals  
March 17, 2021
- Lathrop Gage Announces 2018 Executive Committee Members  
July 23, 2018
- Lathrop Gage Promotes Eight to Partner  
January 2, 2013
- Six Lathrop Gage Attorneys Recognized by Colorado Super Lawyers  
March 2, 2012
- Patrick McRorie Speaking at 2nd Conference on the Law of Shale Plays  
August 10, 2011

- Patrick B. McRorie Joins Lathrop Gage as an Associate  
May 23, 2008

### Professional Affiliations

- American Bar Association
- California Bar Association
- Colorado Bar Association
- Denver Association of Oil and Gas Title Lawyers, President, 2010
- North Dakota Bar Association
- Oklahoma Bar Association
- Rocky Mountain Mineral Law Foundation
- Wyoming Bar Association

### Community Involvement

- Denver Metro Chamber Leadership Foundation, Impact Denver,  
Class of Spring 2017

### Honors

- *ColoradoBiz Magazine* "Top 25 Most Influential Young Professionals," 2021
- *Denver Business Journal* "Who's Who in Energy" 2017 - 2019
- Selected for Colorado *Super Lawyers* "Rising Stars," 2012