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Patrick E. Brown employs his extensive public and private sector legal and public policy experience to craft legal solutions that are innovative and effective in meeting our clients' objectives. Before co-founding the firm in 2001, he served as head of the New York State Court of Appeals in-house legal team. He joined Governor Mario Cuomo's Counsel's Office in 1987, where he provided legal and public policy counsel to the governor and his senior staff.

Patrick uses the law as a powerful tool to protect your interests, and will establish a strategic plan to guide you through transactional obstacles, litigation, regulations and administrative process. He has spent the last two decades providing legal and strategic advice to companies of all sizes, unions, hospitals, non-profit organizations, and associations. His expertise in ethics, election law, health care, financial services, economic development, gaming, and Indian law has proved invaluable to our clients.

As general counsel to the New York State Building and Construction Trades Council, Mr. Brown has been in the forefront of the use of Project Labor Agreements (PLA) on public works projects. He represented the trades before the Court of Appeals, where he helped defend the original Tappan Zee Bridge PLA, and was the trades' lead attorney in negotiating the second Tappan Zee Agreement.

Patrick Brown received his Bachelor of Arts in Political Science from SUNY Oneonta in 1978 and his Juris Doctorate summa cum laude from Pace University School of Law in 1983.

#### *Professional Affiliations*

- New York State Bar Association
- Chair of the SUNY Oneonta College Council.
- Member of the Advisory Board of the Government Law Center of Albany Law School.
- Elected member of the Ravena-Coeymans-Selkirk School Board.
- Former Member of the Town of Coeymans Zoning Board of Appeals.