



**Patrick M. Brogan**  
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Patrick brings over 30 years of experience handling maritime cases in courts around the country. Upon graduating from the United States Merchant Marine Academy, Patrick sailed as a Marine Engineer on merchant ships for seven years. And after graduating from law school he served as a lieutenant in the U.S. Navy JAG Corps. Patrick is devoted to serving owners and operators of vessels and those who work in the maritime industry. He is AV Preeminent® rated by Martindale-Hubbell, has been recognized as *Best Lawyer's* "Lawyer of the Year," and has received numerous other awards in his long career.

#### PRACTICE AREAS

- Litigation
- Maritime Law

#### REPRESENTATIVE MATTERS

- Obtained multiple summary judgments in personal injury matters under 905(b) of the Longshore and Harbor Workers' Compensation Act (LHWCA)
- Obtained favorable resolutions in numerous maritime deaths and injury cases after filing motions for summary judgment
- Counseled foreign construction companies on the Jones Act, Passenger Vessels Act and Dredging Act in the use of marine equipment in coastwise trade
- Represented local companies in insurance coverage issues
- Represented many vessel owners in collision and allisions with other ships, overhead power lines, bridge fender systems, docks and underwater cables
- Arrest and attachment of ships and to secure pending lawsuits or foreign arbitration to secure in rem claims
- Defended ship operators and crew members in matters brought by U.S. under OPA 90, MARPOL and APPS (including oil spills and by passing of oily water separator cases)
- Represented salvors, including treasure salvors, in admiralty proceedings to establish title to items found or salvaged in both territorial waters and the high seas

#### RECOGNITION AND HONORS

- *Best Lawyers in America*, 2008-2025
- Virginia Super Lawyers; *Law & Politics*, 2024
- Top Lawyers; *CoVaBIZ*, 2024
- AV Preeminent® Rated; Martindale-Hubbell
- *Best Lawyers in America*, Lawyer of the Year, 2020
- Outstanding Professional Achievement, USMMA Alumni Association, 2019

#### ASSOCIATIONS

- Virginia Maritime Association
- Southeast Admiralty Law Institute

## ASSOCIATIONS

- Kings Point Alumni Association
- William & Mary Alumni Board

## EDUCATION

- U.S. Merchant Marine Academy; B.S., 1979
- William & Mary Law School; J.D., 1985

## PRESS AND PUBLICATION

- 55 Kaufman & Canoles Attorneys Named *Best Lawyers in America*© 2025, 7 Named "Lawyer of the Year," and 13 Named "Ones to Watch"
- 15 Kaufman & Canoles Attorneys Named as Super Lawyers and 5 Named as Virginia Rising Stars 2024
- 36 Kaufman & Canoles Attorneys named as Top Lawyers 2024 in *CoVaBIZ Magazine*
- 54 Kaufman & Canoles Attorneys Named *Best Lawyers in America*© 2024, 6 Named "Lawyer of the Year," and 10 Named "Ones to Watch"
- 48 Kaufman & Canoles Attorneys Named *Best Lawyers in America*© 2023, 4 Named "Lawyer of the Year," and 8 Named "Ones to Watch"