



PATRICK M. RYAN NAMED 2024 TOP 100 LAWYER

Honors and Awards

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San Francisco, CA — Bartko is proud to announce that [Patrick M. Ryan](#), co-managing partner and head of the litigation, intellectual property, and antitrust groups, has been named to the prestigious Top 100 Lawyers list by the Daily Journal. This award highlights Patrick's pioneering approach to complex litigation and his dedication to securing early, decisive victories for his clients.

Known for defying conventional strategies, Patrick has established himself as a trailblazer in the legal industry. With a background as both a defense and plaintiffs' attorney, he leverages his insight into opponents' tactics, often accelerating the litigation process to achieve early, impactful victories. "The way to win is to rewrite the playbook, and not just slightly—radically," says Patrick. His techniques have consistently led to landmark outcomes, including a swift settlement in a patent ownership case and multiple other high-profile successes.

A recent example of his innovative approach includes the 2002 patent ownership case, *Clearstream Communications Inc. v. Murray*, where he achieved a favorable settlement within months by expediting a motion for summary adjudication, leaving no time for opposing discovery.

In addition to his groundbreaking work, Patrick is set to represent a major agricultural technology firm in a high-stakes trade secrets retrial against Walmart, as well as an acclaimed artist in a copyright infringement case involving a popular typeface. Patrick's dedication to justice also extends to constitutional matters, including his notable defense of San Mateo County's policy to provide electronic mail to inmates, addressing safety concerns in correctional facilities

With a relentless drive to think outside the box, Patrick's work at Bartko not only challenges traditional litigation but sets a new standard for client-focused legal representation.

Read the full Daily Journal Top 100 Lawyers article (PDF) [here](#).

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