



## **Patrick Stevens, Esq.**

### **Vice President for Environment and Regulatory Relations**



#### **Biography**

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Patrick Stevens is the Vice President for Environment and Regulatory Relations for the Wisconsin Paper Council. Patrick brings a wealth of knowledge and experience to the Council on environmental and regulatory issues affecting our industry.

In this critical leadership position, Patrick is responsible for developing and implementing environmental relations strategies that assist the paper, pulp and forestry industry in understanding and navigating Wisconsin's environmental regulatory processes. Patrick monitors regulatory matters pertinent to the paper industry and provides accurate, up-to-date information to WPC members. Patrick serves as the WPC's environmental lead and his responsibilities include engagement with key agency staff, legislative personnel and environmental experts.

Prior to joining the WPC, Patrick Stevens was a partner at Axley Law Firm. He has extensive experience working for the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources (WDNR) where he served as Assistant Deputy Secretary for the Department. In this role, Patrick oversaw the Environmental Management, Forestry, and Fish, Wildlife and Parks divisions, as well as the WDNR Law Enforcement Bureau. Patrick also served as the Environmental Management Division Administrator at WDNR.

Patrick also brings trade association experience to the WPC having worked for a number of trade organizations throughout his career, including Wisconsin Manufacturers and Commerce (WMC). He received his law degree from the University of North Dakota School of Law, graduating with distinction and also holds a B.S. degree in business management from Arizona State University.

Stevens currently resides in Lake Mills with his wife Chris Nolan and his daughter Ruby. In his spare time, Patrick enjoys fly fishing and spending time at the family cabin.