



## Andrea M. Patton

Mergers & Acquisitions Practice Group Leader

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Andie Patton brings strategic clarity and transactional precision to corporate clients navigating mergers, acquisitions, and regulatory complexities, with a distinct focus on the alcohol distribution industry.

Andie serves as a leader of the Mergers & Acquisitions (M&A) Practice Group at Lewis Rice. She advises clients on a broad range of corporate matters, including mergers and acquisitions, corporate formation and restructuring, and regulatory compliance, with a particular focus on transactions in the alcohol distribution industry.

Andie regularly guides clients through the full lifecycle of M&A transactions, helping them define business objectives, conduct due diligence, and negotiate and finalize definitive deal documents. She supports the successful closing of dozens of transactions each year, with deal values typically ranging from tens to hundreds of millions of dollars.

In addition to transactional work, Andie provides ongoing counsel to corporate clients on governance and compliance matters, drawing on her experience across industries and deal structures. Her work is informed by a deep understanding of the strategic and operational challenges companies face during periods of growth and transition.

### Special Honors

- *St. Louis Small Business Monthly* - Best M&A Providers (2024-2025 Business Owners' Guide)
- *Best Lawyers*® Ones to Watch (2021-2024)
- *Missouri & Kansas Rising Stars*® (2021-2022)

### Education

- University of Chicago School of Law (J.D., 2012)
  - Joseph Henry Beale Prize for Outstanding Legal Research and Writing
- Washington University in St. Louis (B.A., 2009)
  - Political Science

### Services

- Mergers & Acquisitions
- Corporate Strategies
- Alcohol Distribution
- Artificial Intelligence

- Women, Gender, and Sexuality Studies

## **Legal Background**

- Washington University in St. Louis faculty mentor, Law & Business Society (2024-present)
- Summer associate, Lewis Rice LLC (2011)
- Student clinical intern, University of Chicago's Edwin F. Mandel Legal Aid Clinic - mental health litigation project (2011)
- Summer intern, U.S. Attorney's Office for the Southern District of Illinois (2010)
- Paralegal assistant, Becker, Dufour & Yarbrough LLP (2007-2009)

## **Admissions**

- Missouri Bar
- Illinois Bar

## **Charitable & Civic Involvement**

- President, Places for People Board of Directors (2024-present)
  - Vice president, Board of Directors (2023-2024)
  - Chair, Development Committee (2020-2024)
  - Chair, Annual Golf Committee (2020-2023)
  - Executive Committee (2020-2024)
- Adjunct professor, Business Planning & Drafting - Fundamentals of M&A Transactions, Washington University School of Law (2022-present)

## **Firm Committees**

- Co-chair, Recruiting Committee (2025-present)
- Chair, Associate Development Committee (2023-2025)
- Lewis Rice Women to Women Committee (2012-present)
- Recruiting Committee (2019-present)
- Diversity, Equity and Inclusion Committee (2023-present)