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Ryan's practice focuses on solving complex legal problems, with an emphasis on high-stakes civil litigation. With decades of experience, he has successfully represented clients in federal courts across the nation, including the Supreme Court of the United States, nearly all U.S. Courts of Appeal, numerous U.S. District Courts, the U.S. Patent Trial and Appeal Board, and the U.S. International Trade Commission. Throughout his practice, Ryan has consistently tackled some of the most intricate and multifaceted legal challenges.

With a particular emphasis on intellectual property disputes, Ryan's work has also covered a diverse array of subjects, including federal agency challenges, qui tam actions, breach of contract disputes, commercial disputes, and constitutional issues. His approach to solving complex legal matters is marked by a strategic, solution-oriented mindset. His work has spanned numerous industries, including biotechnology, pharmaceuticals, software, oil & gas, energy, and telecommunications, to name a few.

Ryan's deep expertise in handling complex appeals, particularly to the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit, underscores his ability to navigate intricate technical issues. He has served as counsel in numerous high-profile cases across a wide variety of technical fields—ranging from computer systems and telecommunications to pharmaceuticals and medical devices. His work has involved appeals arising from U.S. District Courts, the Patent Trial and Appeal Board, and the U.S. International Trade Commission, where his skill in managing complex legal and technical arguments has been critical to achieving favorable outcomes.

Ryan's practice has included handling numerous cases before the Supreme Court of the United States. He has an extensive track record petitioning for and opposing certiorari before the Supreme Court. He has also handled a variety of cases on the merits. Notably, he successfully petitioned for a writ of certiorari and briefed *HollyFrontier Cheyenne Refining, LLC v. Renewable Fuels Association*, and litigated *Teva Pharmaceuticals USA, Inc. v. Sandoz, Inc.*, addressing claim construction review standards in patent litigation. He also represented clients in *Octane Fitness v. ICON Health & Fitness*, concerning the "exceptional case" standard for attorney fees under 35 U.S.C. § 285. Ryan has authored numerous amicus briefs before the Supreme Court.

Before joining Workman Nydegger, Ryan was a partner in the Supreme Court & Appellate practice of a major international law firm, and prior to that, he clerked for Judge A. Raymond Randolph on the U.S. Court of Appeals for the D.C. Circuit. His extensive background equips him with the expertise to handle even the most sophisticated legal issues.

Education

J.D., summa cum laude, J. Reuben Clark Law School, Brigham Young University, 2005

M.A., with Distinction in English Literature, University of Reading, Reading, England, 2001

B.A., cum laude, Brigham Young University, 2000

Admissions

US Supreme Court
US Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit
US Court of Appeals for the D.C. Circuit
US Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit
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US Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit
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