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Throughout his career, Ryan has been committed to developing his expertise in a wide variety of business and real estate practice areas. Leveraging his experience gained serving as regional counsel to a Fortune 100 pipeline transmission company, he applies his knowledge holistically to each client's case, providing dependable, detail-oriented support and guidance. He has built his legal practice on a foundation of open, responsive communication and places great value on hard work, and treating every client's business as if it was his own.

Practice Areas

Appellate
Business Litigation
Construction
Real Estate Litigation
Real Estate Transactions

Biography

With a sharp eye for strategic problem-solving and a persistent drive to succeed, Ryan thrives on the daily opportunity to seek new solutions to legal issues. He represents businesses and individuals in state and federal court in all aspects of real estate and business litigation, including cases involving contracts and easements, landlord-tenant disputes, foreclosures, eminent domain, collection and enforcement of judgments, repossession of vehicles, and commercial and residential real estate transactions. He has built and continues to grow the firm's real estate litigation practice from the ground up and has become a respected leader within the firm. He was elected partner in 2016 and chairs the firm's real estate litigation group and income partners committee. Ryan spends as much time as possible with his wife and five children, three sons and two daughters, playing in the yard and coaching sports. He lives with his family in Brownsburg and is active in The Penrod Society, planning and hosting the annual Penrod Arts Fair at Newfields.

Accolades, Affiliations and Activities

- ALFA International
 - Business Litigation Practice Group
 - Financial Services Steering Committee
 - Oil, Gas, & Energy Working Group
- American Bar Association – Young Lawyers Division
- Eagle Crossing Homeowners' Association Board, 2014-2016
- *Indiana Lawyer* – Leadership in Law, Up and Coming Lawyer, 2018
- *Indiana Super Lawyers* – Rising Stars, 2015-2018
- Indianapolis Bar Association – Networking Section
- Indiana State Bar Association
- IndyHub, Inc.
 - Indy Hub Young Professionals Happy Hour - Founder and Organizer
 - Mosaic Initiative – Founding Chair, 2012-2016
- *Martindale-Hubbell Peer Review* – Rated AV® Preeminent
- Notre Dame Club of Indianapolis – Member, 2008-Present
- *The Best Lawyers in America*, 2021-2023
- The Penrod Society, 2013 - present
 - Signage Committee Chair, 2013-present
- University of Notre Dame School of Law
 - NDLS Business Law Forum – Vice President

Publications and Presentations

- "11 tips: Things I learned rising through the law firm ranks," *The Indiana Lawyer*, October 2021.
- "Resolving Boundary Disputes in Indiana," Speaker, *National Business Institute (NBI)*, 2021.
- "Boundary Issues and Easement Law," Speaker, *NBI*, 2021.
- "Resolving Boundary Disputes in Indiana," Speaker, *NBI*, 2018.

Selected Cases and Representation

Ryan has extensive experience representing clients in eminent domain litigation throughout Texas, Oklahoma, Kansas, Missouri, Illinois, and Indiana. Ryan's other representative cases include the following:

- *Newforth v. Bault*, 120 N.E.3d 594 (Ind. Ct. App. 2019)
 - Served as first chair during two-day bench trial, obtained declaratory judgment and permanent injunction for client, confirming his right to install access driveways within an easement area owned by an objecting neighbor.
- *Panhandle E. Pipeline, Co., L.P. v. Plummer*, 2018 WL 1505013 (S.D. Ind. Mar. 27, 2018)
 - Obtained permanent injunction and final judgment for damages, including \$149,043.90 attorneys' fees award for Panhandle Eastern Pipe Line Company, L.P., in case involving breach of settlement agreement relating to easement.
- *Preferred Professional Insurance Co. v. West, et al.*, 23 N.E.2d 716 (Ind. Ct. App. 2014)
 - Obtained summary judgment for client Indiana Patient's Compensation Fund in case involving question of first impression regarding whether a claimant having no prior or existing physician/patient relationship can pursue claims (and recover damages) against physician for medical malpractice under Indiana Medical Malpractice Act. The Court of Appeals affirmed, and the Indiana Supreme Court unanimously denied transfer.
- *S. Bank, as Trustee v. Mainscape Leasing, LLC, et al.*, Cause No. 49D13-1701-MF-2030
 - Litigated and resolved complex commercial mortgage foreclosure lawsuit involving multi-million-dollar securitized senior mortgage and multi-million-dollar leasehold mortgage.
- *Roche Diagnostic Operations, Inc. v. Marsh Supermarkets, LLC*, 987 N.E.2d 72 (Ind. Ct. App. 2013)
 - Member of litigation team that obtained \$19,563,933 judgment on behalf of client following a seven-day trial on Marsh's claim for breach of an 18-year lease. The Court of Appeals affirmed.